

**SODA SPRINGS JT. SCHOOL DISTRICT #150
BOARD MEETING**

**APRIL 16th, 2014
HIGH SCHOOL LIBRARY
6:30 P.M.**

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT

JIM STOOR	CHAIRMAN
IRENE TORGESEN	TRUSTEE
DAN LAU	TRUSTEE

- 1. 1. Call Meeting to Order:** Chairman Stoor called the Board meeting to order at 6:35 p.m. Chairman Stoor, Trustee Lau, and Trustee Torgesen were in attendance. Vice-Chairman Christensen and Trustee Erickson had previously been excused from the meeting. Also in attendance was Molly Stein, Superintendent, Jonathan Balls, Clerk, Debra Daniels, Principal, Robert Daniel, Principal, three students, and six patrons.

 - 1.1 Approval of Agenda.** Chairman Stoor asked if any additional agenda items were needed. Principal Daniel asked for some time to talk about the school calendar. Chairman Stoor put that as agenda item 9.3. Chairman Stoor also moved up the Soda Pops report to the Student Celebration section. Trustee Lau made a motion to approve the agenda as amended. The motion was seconded by Trustee Torgesen. The motion passed unanimously.
 - 1.2 Pledge of Allegiance.** Chairman Stoor invited the trustees, administration, students and patrons to join Clerk Balls in saying the Pledge of Allegiance.
- 2. Student Celebration: Soda Springs High School Soda Pops** – Chairman Stoor recognized the Soda Pops advised by Michael Messerly. The students talked about the Soda Pops clinic that was attended by 35 kids. These kids were also able to participate with the Soda Pops in their winter concert that night. They also showed pictures and reported about their recent trip to Nashville Tennessee. They had a wonderful time and did not have any problems. The board commended them all for increasing the program and doing such a fine job representing the school.
- 3. Read and Approve Minutes.**

 - 3.1 Approve the Minutes of April 2nd, 2014 Board Meeting.** No changes were needed, so Trustee Lau made a motion to approve the minutes of April 2nd, 2014 as written. The motion was seconded by Trustee Torgesen. The motion passed unanimously.

4. Ratify Bills / Budget Report

4.1 Ratify Bills: None

4.2 Budget Report – March 2014: Clerk Balls presented the budget for March 2014. Discussion was had and a question was asked on where to see a bank transfer within the budget. Clerk Balls said he would run some reports to show and get back to the board.

4.3 Set 2014-2015 Budget Hearing – Clerk Balls proposed that the budget hearing be June 4th, 2014. Trustee Lau made a motion to set the budget hearing for June 4th, 2014 at 6:30pm at the regular scheduled board meeting. The motion was seconded by Trustee Torgesen. The motion passed unanimously.

5. Correspondence: None

6. Public Input: None

7. Faculty/Staff Input: Principal Daniel and Principal Daniels updated the board on the current SBAC testing and how it is going in each of their buildings. Feedback will be given to State from both the students and administration. Overall it is going well. Principal Daniels reported on a new Gifted and Talented program at the Tigert Middle School called Noon Academy.

8. Old Business: None

9. New Business:

9.1 Soda Pops Nashville Trip Report – (Moved to # 2. Student Celebration)

9.2 Meal Per Diem Increase Request – It had been years since these per diem rates have been looked at. After a brief discussion, Trustee Lau made a motion to increase the meal per diems to \$7.50 for breakfast, \$10.50 for lunch, and \$16.50 for dinner. The motion was seconded by Trustee Torgesen. The motion passed unanimously.

9.3 School Calendar – Principal Daniel asked for feedback on what the board felt about a staggered end of school date in May for the schools. After preliminary discussions, Chairman Stoor asked to continue to discuss it at the next board meeting. Principal Daniel was planning on doing so.

10. Superintendent & Chairman Report:

10.1 Leadership Awards: Superintendent Stein reviewed with the board what qualifies for leadership awards and how that will initially be determined by each building.

10.2 Safety: Superintendent Stein told the board what was being done with the Crisis Plan, how staff will be assigned online safety courses, and a proposal to have a police officer in each building for a few hours each week.

10.3 Facilities: Superintendent Stein reminded the board that at the end of this month we should receive the report from the engineers and architects on the status of the facilities.

10.4 Negotiations: The first negotiation meeting went well. Superintendent Stein said that since the meeting we found out that our insurance will increase 7.5%. This insurance increase will impact negotiations.

10.5 Law Conference April 28-29: Clerk Balls asked who will be attending the law conference. As of right now, Chairman Stoor and Trustee Lau will attend. Clerk Balls will get with Vice-Chairman Christensen and Trustee Erickson to see if they plan on going.

11. Strategic Planning – Vision & Mission: After a short discussion, it was determined that a special meeting will be held on April 30th, 2014 at 6:00pm at the District Office for the sole purpose of working on the Strategic Planning document.

12. Executive Session – None:

13. Adjournment. With no other business to come before the Board of Trustees, Chairman Stoor declared the meeting adjourned at 8:51pm.

14. Tour High School: Principal Daniel and Superintendent Stein took the board members on a tour of the High School facility.