Minidoka County School District Board Meeting Agenda Summary February 22, 2016

Board Trustees: If you have questions about any item on this summary prior to the board meeting please share them with me so that I can have the appropriate information at the board meeting for a more effect discussion of that item.

2. Work Session Topic

Elementary and Secondary Data Based Budgeting Concerns – In my last meeting with administrators we discussed this opportunity for them to present to the board budget change requests. I indicated that they needed to have some data to provide rationale for their request.

6. Good News Reports

- A. Idaho Wellness Mini Grant Bryan McKinney will share information about a \$1,000 grant they received.
- B. West Minico Game Club The board will be brought up to speed on this new club at West
- C. National Wrestling Hall of Fame Two of our wrestlers were honored.

8. Accountability & Student Achievement Report: West Minico Middle School

Dr. Tim Perrigot, Principal, will present information about how his students and staff are doing.

9. Data Report

- A. **MCSD Parent Teacher Conferences:** I will share the summary report on the parent attendance percentage at our recent Parent Teacher Conferences.
- B. **Teacher Evaluation Student Achievement Goals:** Ashley Johnson has been working with the administrators to compile the attached rubric that will be used to address student achievement data in each teacher's annual evaluation.

12. Discussion Items

- A.1. Day on the Hill: Trustees will have an opportunity to share what they learned at this event in Boise on President's Day.
- B.1. **Good Digital Citizens** Ashley Johnson will share our progress in moving toward educating our student in appropriate online behavior and safety. We have had a number of parents share with us their concerns about how this is being dealt with in our schools.
- B.2. Revised Budget Update Michelle Deluna will share a first draft our revised budget for this year. Good News: Our contingency fund continues to improve. Bad News: We will not have final numbers to present until Monday (the state will not release the numbers they are basing this year's funding on until the 15th).
- C. **Policy Discussion:** I am recommending that, where possible, we more closely mirror the format, layout and language of ISBA policy to make future updates easier.

Policy 204.01 Board Meetings – I have followed the ISBA policy (4105) format more closely including items that were in our policy and not theirs from our existing policy. Most of the changes are formatting or rearranging existing language.

D. **Superintendent's Report:** I will share my activities for the past month along with any correspondence that we have received.

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13. Business Items

- A. 2008 Series Bond Refinancing: Michelle and I visited with three members of Zion's Public Finance, Inc. last week to discuss the possibility of refinancing the last of our bonds to save tax payers money. The attached document shows that we could save approximately \$195,000 in today's dollars over the life of this 2008 bond (which expires in 2028). However, the amount of savings is dependent on how quickly we can take advantage of today's market conditions. Zion's has prepared a resolution for your consideration. I will also be asking the board for authorization for Michelle and I to send out an RFP to underwrite this purchase and then, after sharing the results with the board move forward with the process.
- B. **Superintendent's Evaluation:** Trustee Stevenson will conduct a discussion concerning my evaluation by the board and the results of a survey that will be sent out to staff and parents.
- C. **Approve 2016-17 Calendar:** I will present the recommendation of the Calendar Committee for changes to the approved calendar for next year. There are two options with the primary differences being the start date (August 23 vs. 25) and the length of Christmas Break (11 vs. 12 days off).
- D. **PTO Audits** Michelle Deluna will share a report on the status of her review of the district's Parent Teacher Organization's funding.
- E. **Retirement Notification Incentive** I am requesting that the board once again approve the doubling of the retirement Recognition as outlined in Policy 403.10 if their retirement notification is received in writing by March 15. I will also ask the board for permission to have the Policy Review Committee consider amending this policy to include this as a permanent change with the notification date of March 1.
- F. Insurance Renewal Option Currently our district is insured with Moreton Insurance, who provides us with excellent customer service and a dividend refund because they are associated with ISBA. We have had a request to give us a quote and I wanted the board's input on whether we need to go out to bid or, because this is a professional service, we continue to just renew our contract with them.
- G. New/Amended/Deleted Policies: We have no new policies this month.
- H. **Disposition of District Property (including Fixed Assets):** We only have a few technology for surplus and a couple of older items from maintenance.
- I. Travel Approvals: None this month.
- J. Personnel Recommendations: We only have a few personnel changes for your consideration.

Upcoming Events & Board Meeting Agenda Items

- February 23 Interest Based Bargaining Training from 9 am to 4 pm (lunch will be served)
- March 2 Facilities Committee Meeting at noon
- March 9 Parent Patron Advisory Team Meeting at noon
- March 9 Policy Review Committee Meeting at 3:40
- March 10 Interest Based Bargaining Negotiations from 5 to 7 pm
- March 14 Regular Board Meeting Work Session Topic: Budget Assumptions