

Prior to a decision to impose a new fee or to approve a fee increase that exceeds five percent (5%) of the amount of the fee last collected, the board of Soda Springs School District No. 150 will hold a hearing at a regular or special public meeting on the proposed fee imposition or fee increase.

**DEFINITIONS**

“Fee” means all fees and charges of this school district for a direct public service, including fees for voluntary activities and extra costs such as extracurricular activities, driver’s education, towel or locker use, adult education courses, breakfasts and lunches, parking, and similar services or activities.

"Newspaper" means the newspaper with the largest paid circulation published within the boundaries of the school district, except where there is no newspaper is published within the boundaries of the school district required to publish notice, then it means the newspaper with the largest paid circulation published within any county in which the school district is located or the newspaper published nearest to the boundaries of the school district.

**PUBLIC NOTICE**

Public notice will be given of this board’s intent to make a decision on a proposed fee increase, as set forth above, by either:

1. Advertising in at least one (1) newspaper once each week during the two (2) weeks preceding the week during which the hearing will be held. The advertisement will state that the board will meet on a certain day, time, and place listed in the advertisement for the purpose of hearing public comments regarding the proposed new fee or fee increase beyond five percent (5%); or
2. Holding three (3) public meetings in three different locations in the district or
3. A single mailing notice to all district residents, provided that the same information is given and provided the meeting is held not less than seven (7) days after the mailing of the notice.

Failure to provide public notice and a hearing on the increase in fees will result in possible voiding of the validity of all or a portion of the fee increase.



**LEGAL REFERENCE:**

Idaho Code Sections

33-510 – Annual Meetings – Regular Meetings – Boards of Trustees  
60-106 – Qualifications of Newspapers Printing Legal Notices  
63-1311A – Advertisement of and Hearing on Fee Increases  
Attorney General Opinion No. 94-4

**ADOPTED:**

**AMENDED: January 28, 2015**