

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

**BOARD MEETING**

**SEPTEMBER 19TH, 2012**

**THIRKILL ELEMENTARY LIBRARY**

**6:30 P.M.**

**BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT**

<b>ALAN ERICKSON</b>	<b>CHAIRMAN</b>
<b>JAMES STOOR</b>	<b>VICE CHAIRMAN</b>
<b>CHAD CHRISTENSEN</b>	<b>TRUSTEE</b>
<b>LYNDA LEE</b>	<b>TRUSTEE</b>
<b>JAMES SMITH</b>	<b>TRUSTEE</b>

**1. Call Meeting to Order.** Chairman Erickson called the Board meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. with the above trustees in attendance as well as Superintendent Stein, Jonathan Balls, Clerk, Sue Hansen, Principal, Doug Hogan, Maintenance Supervisor, one Educator and one patron.

**1.1 Approval of Agenda.** Chairman Erickson moved the Tour of Thirkill Elementary to 1.4 on the agenda and asked if any additional agenda items were needed. Clerk Balls said that the board needed to approve the Border District Agreement. Chairman Erickson put the Border District Agreement as 7.2 under Old Business. Trustee Lee moved to accept the agenda as amended. The motion was seconded by Trustee Christensen. Motion passed unanimously.

**1.2 Pledge of Allegiance.** Chairman Erickson invited the trustees, administration, and educator to join in with the Pledge of Allegiance.

**1.4 Tour of Thirkill Elementary.** The Board and other attendees saw how an I-Pad with Apple TV was successfully implemented in a Kindergarten Class, the new lights from a Federal Energy Grant, how the new short throw projector was implemented in the 3<sup>rd</sup> grade classes, how the new wireless microphones are implemented in every classroom, the new playground equipment, the new parking lot, and the new accessibility ramp on the North sidewalk. The board commented how great the school looked and complimented Principal Hansen on the look and feel of her building.

## **2. Read and Approve Minutes.**

**2.1 Approve Minutes of September 5th, 2012** With no additions or corrections, Trustee Lee moved to accept the minutes of September 5th, 2012. The motion was seconded by Trustee Christensen. Motion passed unanimously.

## **3 Ratify Bills**

**3.1 Ratify Bills:** None

**3.2 Budget Report: August 2012** The Board had some questions and comments that Clerk Balls responded to. Trustee Christensen asked for a resolution to the adjusting entries the Auditors are asking to be made. After some discussion, it was decided to make the adjusting entries and then Amend the 2012-2013 budget per the code book specifically stating this was the result of a timing issue with the Summer maintenance projects. Clerk Balls will look into the code book to determine the requirement to amend the 2012-2013 budget.

**4. Correspondence.** None

**5. Public Input.** None

**6. Faculty/Staff Input.** Director Hogan asked about the effectiveness of the Surplus Equipment Auction. A great deal of time is being spent hauling and assembling the equipment, but the auction does not bring in a lot of money. After some discussion, Superintendent Stein will check on the Policy regarding scraping or throwing away equipment rather than Auctioning it off.

## **7. Old Business.**

**7.1 High School Athletic Drug Testing:** Clerk Balls read a statement by Principal Owen stating that the 10-Panel drug testing of the High School Athletics has started. The funds for the Drug Testing currently comes from the Athletic Fund.

**7.2 Border District Contract:** Clerk Balls has received the Border District Contract from Lincoln School District #2 in Afton Wyoming for 20 Caribou County students that are being educated there. After a short discussion, Trustee Smith made a motion to accept the Border District Contract. Trustee Stoor seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

## **8. New Business.**

**8.1 Hires & Resignations:** None

**8.2 Transportation DEQ Emissions Updates:** Superintendent Stein reported that our Transportation Director Brent John spent a great deal of time applying for a grant with the state DEQ. He was awarded five Diesel Oxidation Catalysts that reduce emissions from diesel fueled vehicles and four heaters that will reduce idle emissions as the buses warm up.

**8.3 ISBA Conference Registration by 10/1/12** Clerk Balls needs to register the Board for the conference by 10/1/12 and asked for a final count of who would be attending.

**8.4 New Board Email** Clerk Balls handed out information on the Board's new Gmail email addresses from the School District.

**8.5 ISBA Meeting September 27, 6:30pm at SSHS – IEN** Superintendent Stein mentioned that the ISBA Region 5 Meeting will be in Soda Springs in the IEN room at the High School. She also stated the Grace School District will be attending with us.

**9. Superintendent & Chairman Report.**

**9.1 Administration Training.** Superintendent Stein reported that the Principals had started training to become Certified Evaluators, which is now a new requirement from the State.

**9.2 Regional Superintendent's Meeting** Superintendent Stein attended this meeting on Monday. State Superintendent Luna's budget was reviewed. It asks to restore 1 year of Service for the Teachers, to fund movement on the salary scale, and other things which amount to a 2% increase in direct impact monies.

**9.3 Personal Property Tax** Superintendent Stein met with Senator Tippetts to review the lobbying effort by IACI, County Governments, and School Districts regarding Personal Property Tax.

Trustee Stoor asked about the amount of time spent in High School Athletics versus Education. He reported personal experiences that had raised concerns for him. After a discussion, this topic will be put on the agenda for the next board meeting.

**10. Executive Session.** None

**11. Adjournment.** With no other business to come before the Board of Trustees, Chairman Erickson declared the meeting adjourned at 8:31pm