

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

**November 7, 2018
District Offices
7:00 P.M.**

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT

DAN LAU	CHAIR
IRENE TORGESEN	VICE-CHAIR
CRAIG KENYON	TRUSTEE
JIM STOOR	TRUSTEE
ALAN ERICKSON	TRUSTEE

1. Call Meeting to Order: Chairman Lau called the board meeting to order at 7:03 pm with Trustee Kenyon, Trustee Stoor, and Trustee Erickson in attendance. Vice-Chair Torgesen would join the meeting already in progress. Also, in attendance were Superintendent Molly Stein, Clerk Jonathan Balls, Principal Jess McMurray, Counselor Chris Ledbetter, two patrons, and one student.

1.1 Approval of Agenda: Chairman Lau asked if any additional agenda items were needed to be added to the posted agenda. With no changes brought forth to the posted agenda, Trustee Erickson made a motion to approve the agenda as posted. The motion was seconded by Trustee Kenyon. By a voice vote, the motion passed unanimously.

1.2 Pledge of Allegiance: Chairman Lau invited the trustees, administration, staff, patrons, and students to join Clerk Balls in saying the Pledge of Allegiance.

2. Executive Session: IDAHO CODE § 74-206(1)(b) – Student: At 7:05 pm, Chairman Lau asked for a motion to go into executive session per Idaho Code § 74-206(1)(b) – Student. Trustee Stoor made a motion to go into executive session per Idaho Code § 74-206(1)(b) – Student. The motion was seconded by Trustee Kenyon. Using a roll call vote: Chairman Lau – Yes, Trustee Stoor – Yes, Trustee Erickson – Yes, Trustee Kenyon - Yes. The motion passed unanimously.

Vice-Chair Torgesen entered the executive session as it began.

While in executive session, the board discussed the education plan of a student.

At 7:15pm, Trustee Erickson made a motion to go out of executive session. The motion was seconded by Trustee Stoor. Using a roll call vote: Chairman Lau – Yes, Vice-Chair Torgesen – Yes, Trustee Stoor – Yes, Trustee Kenyon – Yes, Trustee Erickson - Yes. The motion passed unanimously.

2.1. Executive Session Action Item: Once out of executive session, Trustee Stoor made a motion to approve the alternate education plan of Student A. Trustee Kenyon seconded the motion. By a voice vote, the motion passed unanimously.

3. 2017-2018 Test Results: High School Chris Ledbetter discussed the 2017-2018 test results with the school board. These tests included the ISAT, IRI, ACT, and SAT score averages by grade compared to the state and national scores.

4. Approve October 24, 2018 Board Meeting Minutes: Chairman Lau had previously given Clerk Balls a few minor grammatical changes to help the minutes read easier. With no further changes to the minutes, Trustee Erickson made a motion to approve the meeting minutes of the October 24, 2018 board meeting as amended. The motion was seconded by Trustee Kenyon. By a voice vote, the motion passed unanimously.

5. Ratify Bills and Review Budget Report

5.1. Ratify Bills: October 2018 – The board reviewed the bills paid during October 2018 totaling \$1,011,014. After a brief discussion on the bills, Trustee Stoor made a motion to ratify the bills paid during October 2018. The motion was seconded by Trustee Erickson. By a voice vote, the motion passed unanimously.

5.2. Budget Report: None – With this meeting early in the month, Clerk Balls will have the October Budget for the review at the next board meeting.

6. Correspondence: Superintendent Stein passed along a thank-you note from Irene Torgesen.

7. Public Input: None

8. Faculty Input: Principal McMurray mentioned that the Veteran’s Day Program will be held at the High School on Monday, November 12th. Thirkill Elementary is currently holding Parent-Teacher conferences.

9. Old Business: None

10. New Business:

- 10.1. 1st Reading Policy 350 “School Calendar”**
- 10.2. 1st Reading Policy 400.10 “Veteran Employment Preference”**
- 10.3. 1st Reading Policy 402 “Criminal History”**
- 10.4. 1st Reading Policy 404 “Employer Recommendations”**
- 10.5. 1st Reading Policy 404.50 “Past Job Performance”**
- 10.6. 1st Reading Policy 416 “Whistle Blower”**
- 10.7. 1st Reading Policy 430 “Paraprofessionals”**
- 10.8. 1st Reading Policy 442 “Code of Ethics”**
- 10.9. 1st Reading Policy 635 “Student Safety Measures”**

After discussing the above policies, Trustee Stoor made a motion to approve the above policies for a second reading. The motion was seconded by Trustee Erickson. Using a voice vote, the motion passed unanimously.

11. TMS Construction:

11.1. Approve November Construction Bills: The board reviewed the bills scheduled to be paid in November 2018 for the TMS construction totaling \$196,583.03. After the discussion, Trustee Stoor made a motion to approve the TMS construction bills to be paid in November 2018. Trustee Kenyon seconded the motion. Using a voice vote, the motion passed unanimously.

11.2. Change Order Options: Clerk Balls reviewed a change order option that would add ceilings to three storage rooms. This would control heating costs. After the discussion, Trustee Erickson made a motion to approve the change order to add ceilings to three storage spaces. The motion was seconded by Trustee Stoor. Using a voice vote, the motion passed unanimously.

12. Superintendent & Chairman Report: Superintendent Stein reviewed with the board several topics within the district that are aligned with the continuous improvement plan. As a result of the discussion topics, Chairman Lau asked that Vice-Chair Torgesen and Trustee Erickson serve on the high school track committee. Chairman Lau asked Clerk Balls to invite High School Educator, Mrs. Caitlin Pankau, to next month's board meeting to make a presentation on curriculum and visual learning. The board also discussed the Superintendent evaluation process.

12.1. Board Training: ISBA Annual Conference 11/14-11/16: The board discussed departure times for the ISBA annual conference.

13. Executive Session: Idaho Code § 74-206(1)(b) – Personnel: At 9:05pm, Chairman Lau asked for a motion to go into executive session. Trustee Kenyon made a motion to go into executive session per Idaho Code § 74-206(1)(b) – Personnel. The motion was seconded by Trustee Erickson. By a roll call vote: Chairman Lau: Yes, Vice-Chair Torgesen: Yes, Trustee Stoor: Yes, Trustee Kenyon: Yes, Trustee Erickson: Yes.

While in executive session the board discussed administrative bonuses.

At 9:17 pm, Trustee Stoor made a motion to go out of executive session. The motion was seconded by Trustee Erickson. By a roll call vote: Chairman Lau: Yes, Vice-Chair Torgesen: Yes, Trustee Stoor: Yes, Trustee Kenyon: Yes, Trustee Erickson: Yes.

Once out of executive session, Trustee Stoor made a motion to give a year-end bonus to administrative staff. The motion was seconded by Trustee Erickson. By a voice vote, the motion passed unanimously.

14. Adjournment. With no other business to come before the Board of Trustees, Chairman Lau declared the meeting adjourned at 9:19 pm.