

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

**November 19th, 2014  
District Offices  
6:30 P.M.**

**BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT**

<b>JIM STOOR</b>	<b>CHAIRMAN</b>
<b>CHAD CHRISTENSEN</b>	<b>VICE-CHAIRMAN</b>
<b>IRENE TORGESEN</b>	<b>TRUSTEE</b>
<b>DAN LAU</b>	<b>TRUSTEE</b>
<b>ALAN ERICKSON</b>	<b>TRUSTEE</b>

- 1. 1. Call Meeting to Order:** Chairman Stoor called the Board meeting to order at 6:37 p.m. Chairman Stoor, Vice-Chairman Christensen, Trustee Lau, Trustee Torgesen, and Trustee Erickson were in attendance. Also in attendance were Superintendent Molly Stein, Clerk Jonathan Balls, Principal Sue Hansen, Principal Debra Daniels, Principal Robert Daniel, Educator Jeff Horsley, Educator Nancy Ball, Educator Cassie Cook, Maintenance Director Doug Hogan, nine patrons, and six students.

  - 1.1 Approval of Agenda.** Chairman Stoor asked if any additional agenda items were needed. With no changes to the posted agenda, Trustee Erickson made a motion to approve the agenda as posted. The motion was seconded by Vice-Chairman Christensen. The motion passed unanimously.
  - 1.2 Pledge of Allegiance.** Chairman Stoor invited the trustees, administration, staff, patrons, and students to join Clerk Balls in saying the Pledge of Allegiance.
- 2. Student Celebration: Cross Country State Champions:** The school board recognized and congratulated the Boys Cross Country Team as Academic State Champions as well as both the boys and girls as Cross Country State Champions. The board thanked Coach Jeff Horsley and his assistant coaches for their dedication to the students. They discussed the season they had, the trips they were able to take and would like to take next year.
- 3. Read and Approve Minutes.**

  - 3.1 Approve the Minutes of October 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2014 Board Meeting:** Trustee Lau said that in 8.4, it should read ‘an IHSAA sanctioned game’ rather than ‘the IHSAA sanctioned game’. With no further changes needed to the meeting minutes, Trustee Lau made a motion to approve the meeting minutes of October 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2014 as amended. The motion was seconded by Trustee Erickson. The motion passed unanimously.
- 4. Ratify Bills / Budget Report**

  - 4.1 Ratify Bills: October 2014** - The board asked several questions of Clerk Balls regarding the bills from October 2014. After the discussion, Trustee Erickson made a motion to ratify the bills from October 2014. The motion was seconded by Vice-Chairman Christensen. The motion passed unanimously.

**4.2 Budget Report: October 2014** – The board asked questions of Clerk Balls regarding the Budget ending October 2014.

- 5. Correspondence:** Superintendent Stein received a letter from Bear Lake Superintendent Brogan regarding the positive way our cross country athletes conducted themselves at state. She also received a thank you note from the Edith Steele family.
- 6. Public Input:** Shannon O'Donnell, 795 East 3<sup>rd</sup> North, Soda Springs ID 83276, told of her experience with her child's 504 plan. No action was taken by the board.
- 7. Faculty/Staff Input:** Principal Daniel mentioned to the board the difficulty in getting a consistent heat temperature in the High School classrooms. He also mentioned that the swim team club with local high school students performed well at the recent state competition. Principal Hansen said that parent teacher conferences were well attended with over 90% of parents attending. Principal Daniels commented on how well the 7<sup>th</sup> & 8<sup>th</sup> grade girls' basketball teams are doing this season.

**8. Old Business:**

**8.1 4-H Shooting Club:** Bryce Griffiths, representing the 4-H Shooting Club, asked the board to use the Hooper Gym for its indoor target shooting practice. Superintendent Stein stated this type of event is legal according to current Federal and State laws. The 4-H club would provide insurance to cover themselves and the district's facility. After lengthy discussions, Trustee Erickson made a motion to approve the 4-H Shooting Club to use the Hooper Gym facility coordinating with the High School Dance, Cheer, Softball, and Baseball sports. Trustee Lau seconded the motion. The motion passed with 4 ayes and 1 nay by Trustee Torgesen.

**9. New Business:**

- 9.1 Resignations and New Hires:** Superintendent Stein recommended the name of Claude Peterson to coach the 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> grade boys' basketball teams. Vice-Chairman Christensen made a motion to hire Claude Peterson as the 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> grade boys' basketball coach. The motion was seconded by Trustee Erickson. The motion passed unanimously.
- 9.2 SSSH Wrestling Overnight Trip:** Principal Daniel reported that this overnight trip approval wasn't needed as the meet was changed to a day trip.
- 9.3 Small Club Travel:** Educators and small club advisors Nancy Ball and Cassi Cook explained the difficult situation of paying for a yellow school bus when only a few students are traveling to the event. The board discussed this with them and Principal Daniel. Superintendent Stein referenced policy 575 regarding transportation to a school sponsored activity. The policy states that all of such activities must be on a yellow school bus. The board will review on a case by case basis, but will keep the policy as it is written.
- 9.4 Policy 600's Review:** Superintendent Stein handed out the 600 policy numbers and asked the board to review these policies and get back with her on any revisions needed.
- 9.5 Supplemental Levy:** Clerk Balls mentioned that he has to report to the (3) counties the dollar amount of the levy prior to the January board meeting. He shared State Superintendent Luna's budget and the small increase that would come to the district. Vice-Chairman Christensen asked that Clerk Balls to prepare an impact spreadsheet illustrating the effect of the levy on the tax payers.

**10. Superintendent & Chairman Report:**

**10.1 Hooper Well Report:** Superintendent Stein reported that she and Clerk Balls met with city officials to discuss the geothermal well on the Hooper Property. Discussion was had regarding abandoning the well and what is required to do that. Superintendent Stein has been in touch with another professional company that could help the district accomplish this.

- 10.2 Legislative Meeting Update:** Chairman Stoor, Superintendent Stein, and Clerk Balls met with Senator Tippets and Representative Gibbs on October 28<sup>th</sup>. A report was given of the meeting and the meeting handouts were provided to all trustees. All involved thought the meeting went very well and good discussion was had.
- 10.3 ISBA Annual Conference Recap:** Each Trustee took turns to explain what they learned and took away from the ISBA Annual conference that they recently attended.
- 10.4 Upcoming Schedule:** Clerk Balls reviewed the schedule for the upcoming events for the board.

**11. Strategic Planning – None**

**12. Executive Session: None**

**13. Adjournment.** With no other business to come before the Board of Trustees, Chairman Stoor declared the meeting adjourned at 9:49pm.