Minidoka County School District #331 School Board of Trustees Special Board Meeting Minutes November 9, 2007

Brian Duncan, Chairman, called the Special Board Meeting to order at 6:35 a.m. which was held at the School District Office, 633 Fremont Avenue, Rupert, Idaho.

Board Members Present

The poll of the trustees follows: Duncan - Yes; Copeland – Yes; Price-Yes; MacDonald - Yes; Stevenson -Yes. The clerk reported a quorum was present.

Others Present

The following were also present: Dr. Scott Rogers, Superintendent; John Fennell, Assistant Superintendent; Michael Tribe, Legal Counsel; and Betty Miller, Board Clerk.

Presentation of Bids

Dr. Scott Rogers, Superintendent, explained that the bids for the Multi-purpose room at Paul Elementary were opened on November 7, 2007. The bids came in at \$250,000 over budget or \$220 per square foot compared to the originally budgeted \$160 per square foot. Theo Schut, Maintenance Supervisor, presented possible solutions to reduce further construction costs. Sheryl Harris with Dowry Electric expressed concerns regarding local companies being able to bid. Chairman Duncan explained that it is not the district's intent to take away from the local bidders, but the bottom line is that \$220 per square foot is not reasonable. Chairman Duncan also stated that the district will not accept partial bids at this time, but will scrap the project for now and will put back for re-design. Petra, Inc. who was accepted as the preferred bidder for construction services as recommended by the Selection Committee on October 22 has recommended redesign of the building projects and for construction to begin in the spring as this will aid in keeping costs down.

Executive Session

A motion was made by Vice Chairman Greer Copeland and seconded by Trustee Tammy Stevenson to go into Executive Session. Executive session began at 7:09 a.m. for the purposes of consideration of <u>Idaho Code</u> 67-2345 legal questions (f). The poll of the trustees follows: Duncan -Yes; Copeland – Yes; Price-Yes; MacDonald-Yes; Stevenson-Yes.

Return to Open Session

Trustee George MacDonald moved to close the Executive Session and return into Open Session. Trustee Doyle Price seconded the motion which was unanimously approved. Brian Duncan, Chairman of the Board, declared the Executive Session closed at 7:25 a.m.

Informal Hearing Held

An informal hearing began at 7:37 a.m. for employee #11090701 regarding notice of proposed termination. Chairman Duncan explained the hearing procedure and offered the employee the opportunity to have the hearing conducted during Executive Session which was accepted.

Second Executive Session

A motion was made by Trustee MacDonald and seconded by Trustee Price to go into Executive Session. The second Executive session began at 7:42 a.m. for the purposes of consideration of school personnel <u>Idaho Code</u> 67-2345 (a), (b), and legal questions (f). The poll of the trustees follows: Duncan -Yes; Price-Yes; MacDonald-Yes; Stevenson-Yes.

Return to Open Session

Trustee Stevenson moved to close the Second Executive Session and return into Open Session. Vice Chairman Copeland seconded the motion which was unanimously approved. Brian Duncan, Chairman of the Board, declared the Executive Session closed at 8:50 a.m.

Business:

Termination of Employee Approved

A motion was made by Vice Chairman Copeland, seconded by Trustee Stevenson and approved to accept the recommendation for termination of employee #11090701. The Board directed Dr. Scott Rogers to verbally notify the employee of termination and to write an official letter of notification. There was one opposing vote from Trustee Price.

Bids for Paul Multi-Purpose Project Rejected

A motion was made by Trustee MacDonald, seconded by Trustee Stevenson and unanimously approved to reject all bids for the Paul Elementary Multi-purpose building project as they came in over budget. The Board also directed Dr. Rogers to put the Paul building project under the scope of Petra, Inc. and to come up with a solution to settle with Theo Schut as Construction Manager of the Paul Elementary Multi-purpose Building.

Petra, Inc. Approved as CM/GC

A motion was made by Trustee George MacDonald, seconded by Vice Chairman Greer Copeland and unanimously approved to accept Petra, Inc. as the Construction Manager/General Contractor for the new Heyburn and Acequia Elementary Schools and for the Paul Elementary Multi-purpose Building.

Meeting Adjourned

Trustee Tammy Stevenson moved to adjourn the Special Board Meeting. The motion was seconded by Trustee Doyle Price and unanimously approved. Chairman Duncan adjourned the meeting at 8:53 a.m.

Brian Duncan, Chairman of the Board

Attest: 11-09-07: bkm

Betty Miller, Board Clerk