

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

**January 22, 2020  
District Offices  
7:00 P.M.**

**BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT**

<b>IRENE TORGESEN</b>	<b>VICE-CHAIR</b>
<b>ALAN ERICKSON</b>	<b>TRUSTEE</b>
<b>JIM STOOR</b>	<b>TRUSTEE</b>
<b>STEVEN BARKER</b>	<b>TRUSTEE</b>

- 1. Call Meeting to Order:** Vice-Chair Torgesen called the board meeting to order at 7:06 pm with Trustee Erickson, Trustee Barker, and Trustee Stoor in attendance. Chairman Lau previously had asked to be excused from the meeting. Also in attendance were Superintendent Molly Stein, Clerk Jonathan Balls, District Secretary Dawn Beeton, Principal Jess McMurray, Principal Debra Daniels and Principal Rod Worthington.
  - 1.1. Approval of Agenda:** Vice-Chair Torgesen asked if there were any additional agenda items 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 amended. The motion was seconded by Trustee Barker. By a voice vote, the motion passed unanimously.
  - 1.2. Pledge of Allegiance:** Vice-Chair Torgesen invited the trustees and administration to join Clerk Balls in saying the Pledge of Allegiance.
- 2. Continuous Improvement Plan / Administrative Reports:**
  - 2.1. Superintendent:** Superintendent Stein updated the board on the progress of the Continuous Improvement Plan, mid-year evaluations, and safety efforts.
  - 2.2. Principals:**
    - 2.2.1.** High School Principal Jess McMurray shared efforts to reduce student tardies and absences. He also talked about STEM training and a personal finance course SSHS will be piloting.
    - 2.2.2.** Tigert Middle School Principal Debra Daniels highlighted efforts to promote student kindness, team work, and the newly formed parent advisory group.
    - 2.2.3.** Thirkill Elementary Principal Rod Worthington shared the January IRI reading schools for each grade and how technology is being implemented and taught at each grade.
- 3. Public / Faculty / Staff Input:** None

#### **4. Policy Review:**

##### **4.1. 3rd Reading Policy 508 “Foreign Students”**

The board discussed this policy at length regarding foreign students receiving a certificate of completion versus a high school diploma. They also discussed limiting the number of foreign students and payment for their education. Vice-Chair Torgesen asked that we hold this policy until the February board meeting.

#### **5. Federal Programs Annual Policy Review**

- 5.1. Policy 277 “Records Retention Student Records”**
- 5.2. Policy 421 “HIPPA Privacy Rule”**
- 5.3. Policy 462 “Staffing Patterns”**
- 5.4. Policy 677 “Title I: Parent Involvement Policy”**
- 5.5. Policy 677.1 “Title I: Development of Parental Involvement”**
- 5.6. Policy 677.5 “Federal Impact Aide”**
- 5.7. Policy 679.5 “Homeless Student Education”**
- 5.8. Policy 679.6 “Out of State Students in Residential Facilities”**
- 5.9. Policy 679.7 “Foster Care (Students In)”**
- 5.10. Policy 679.8 “Transportation for Students in Foster Care”**
- 5.11. Policy 680.5 “Student Surveys & Medical Personal Info”**
- 5.12. Policy 681 “Student Records”**
- 5.13. Policy 681.5 “Student Data Privacy and Security”**
- 5.14. Policy 800 “Statement of Guiding Principles”**
- 5.15. Policy 802 “Fidelity Bonds of Treasure”**
- 5.16. Policy 806 “Bond and Licensure Requirements for Public Works”**
- 5.17. Policy 810 “Budget Planning and Adoption”**
- 5.18. Policy 812 “Budget Adjustments”**
- 5.19. Policy 814 “Monthly Budget and Treasurer’s Report”**
- 5.20. Policy 820 “Annual Statement of Financial Conditions”**
- 5.21. Policy 858 “Payment for Goods and Services”**
- 5.22. Policy 877 “Time and Effort Reporting Requirements”**
- 5.23. Policy 904 “Uniform Public School Building Safety”**
- 5.24. Policy 1050 “Title I: Parent Notification of Teacher Qualifications”**

The board read and reviewed the above policies.

#### **6. Old Business**

- 6.1. Proposed 2020-2021 District Calendar:** The board discussed at length three calendar options (A, B, and C) for the 2020-2021 school year. Each calendar started a different week in August and had the consequential differences during the school year to meet the student instructional hour standards. The board said it was a priority that the first semester end prior to the Christmas break. The only calendar that accomplished this was Calendar A. After the lengthy discussion, Trustee Barker made a motion to approve Calendar A for the 2020-2021 school year. The motion was seconded by Trustee Erickson. Using a voice vote, the motion passed unanimously.

#### **7. New Business**

- 7.1. Elect 2020 Board Officers:** Trustee Stoor made a motion that by acclamation we keep the existing board officers until the February 2020 meeting when a full board can be present. The motion was seconded by Trustee Erickson. Using a voice vote, the motion passed unanimously.

**7.2. 2020 Board Meeting Dates, Times, and Agenda Posting Locations:** The board decided on the following dates and times for its 2020 board meetings:

2020 Board Meeting Dates & Times		
Date	Location	Time
Wednesday, February 26, 2020	District Offices	7:00pm
Wednesday, March 18, 2020	District Offices	7:00pm
Wednesday, April 22, 2020	District Offices	7:00pm
Wednesday, May 13, 2020	District Offices	7:00pm
Wednesday, June 10, 2020	District Offices	7:00pm
Wednesday, July 1, 2020	District Offices	7:00pm
Wednesday, August 26, 2020	District Offices	7:00pm
Wednesday, September 23, 2020	District Offices	7:00pm
Wednesday, October 28, 2020	District Offices	7:00pm
Wednesday, November 18, 2020	District Offices	7:00pm
Wednesday, December 16, 2020	District Offices	7:00pm
Wednesday, January 27, 2021	District Offices	7:00pm

The agenda posting locations will be on the outside door of the District Office, Thirkill Elementary, Tigert Middle School, and Soda Springs High School. It will also be posted online at [sodaschools.org/meetings](http://sodaschools.org/meetings).

**7.3 Code of Ethics:** Vice-Chair Torgesen asked to put this on the February agenda.

**8. Consent Agenda:** Vice-Chair Torgesen read through the consent agenda detailing each item and asking if any discussion was needed.

**8.1. Minutes from 12-17-2019 and 12-18-2019 Board Meetings**

**8.2. Bills paid December 2019 totaling \$769,362.84**

**8.3. Budget ending Designation 31, 2019**

**8.4. Resignation of Brian Bassett as SSHS Golf coach and hire Joe Via as SSHS Baseball coach**

**8.5. 2019 Utility Report**

Trustee Erickson made a motion to approve the items on the consent agenda. The motion was seconded by Trustee Barker. By a voice vote, the motion passed unanimously.

**9. Announcements / Schedule / Correspondence:**

**9.1. ISBA Day on the Hill, February 17-18, 2020 Boise:** Clerk Balls confirmed that all board members will be attending and will get them registered. The board will confirm rides at a later date.

**10. Adjournment.** With no other business to come before the Board of Trustees, Vice-Chair Torgesen declared the meeting adjourned at 9:25pm.