



Special School Board Meeting of the LJSD Board of Trustees

Wednesday, March 5, 2025 6:00 PM
15506 N. Washington Street,
Rathdrum, ID 83858

A. Call Meeting to Order at 6:00 p.m.

Chair Thompson called the meeting to order at 6:00 pm. Trustee Bain, Trustee Quimby, and Vice Chair Grissom were present. Trustee Jones attended the meeting via phone.

B. Welcome Visitors / Pledge of Allegiance

Chair Thompson welcomed all visitors and led all in the pledge of allegiance.

C. Approval of Agenda (Action)

Trustee Bain made a MOTION to approve the agenda, seconded by Trustee Quimby. Hearing all ayes, MOTION carried.

D. Accolades

The Board acknowledged the Timberlake High School girls basketball team who placed third at state, IT Director Chad Parson for receiving IT Director of the year in Idaho, and the Timberlake High School wrestling team for qualifying to attend the state championship. Superintendent Arnold acknowledged the Lakeland High School wrestling team for winning fourth place at state, and the Lakeland High School cheer and dance teams for qualifying for state.

E. Consent Agenda

E.1. Minutes of Previous Meeting(s)

There was no discussion.

E.2. Minutes of Subcommittee Meetings

A request was made to remove persons not in attendance from the February 27, 2025 Policy Committee meeting.

Trustee Bain made a MOTION to approve the consent agenda as presented with noted changes, seconded by Trustee Quimby. Hearing all ayes, MOTION carried.

F. Old Business

F.1. Superintendent Follow-Up

The Board held discussion with Superintendent Arnold.

G. New Business (Action)

G.1. Board Policy

The Board held discussion with Superintendent Arnold and Assistant Superintendent Paslay.

G.1.a. 3370 - Searches and Seizure

Vice Chair Grissom voiced concern regarding the lack of language for parent notification of student searches within the policy. Trustee Bain made a MOTION to table to add a timeline of parent notification, seconded by Vice Chair Grissom. Hearing all ayes, MOTION carried.

G.1.b. 3410 - School Sponsored Activities

The Board held discussion on signed parent consent, legal review for the policy, specific school functions for breathalyzers, a request to remove “as applicable” language, possibility of a separate policy specific to breathalyzers, and IHSA clarification. Trustee Bain made a MOTION to table until specific items are reworded, seconded by Vice Chair Grissom. Hearing all ayes, MOTION carried.

G.1.c. 7400 - Miscellaneous Procurement Standards

G.1.d. 9100 - Use and Disposal of School Property

The Board held discussion on policy 7400 and 9100. Vice Chair Grissom questioned and recommended Idaho Code 67-2801 be referenced, and the policies alignment with the statutory thresholds. Trustee Bain made a MOTION to table both policies until the numbers align with statute and the changes are made as discussed, seconded by Vice Chair Grissom. Hearing all ayes, MOTION carried.

G.2. LHS Key Club Travel

Trustee Quimby made a MOTION to approve, seconded by Trustee Bain. Hearing all ayes, MOTION carried.

G.3. Wireless Access Points

The Board held discussion with Superintendent Arnold on the bids for the wireless access points, and the recommendation to continue with Ednetics. The Board voiced concerns on the recommendation, versus other bids with lower cost. Vice Chair Grissom made a MOTION to accept the committee’s recommendation to move forward with Ednetics, seconded by Trustee Quimby. Hearing all ayes MOTION carried. Trustee Jones made a recommendation for providing discrepancies within bids moving forward.

H. Discussion Items

H.1. Curriculum

Board Chair Thompson expressed concerns regarding the unused curriculum being sent home as it is viewed as the children aren’t using the purchased curriculum. Superintendent Arnold explained the curriculum is being used both in paper form and digital form, as well as other lesson practices in the classroom to avoid worksheet driven lessons. Dr. Paslay is working with the curriculum provider companies to only obtain what is needed.

H.2. Policy 3050 - Attendance

The Board held discussion on the attendance policy. Questions and discussion included when ADA is calculated, extracurricular and out of school activities, continuous petitioning of absences with positive student grades, elementary versus middle and high school absences, self-directed learner requirements coinciding with attendance, penalization of family travel, additional administration input, and creating two separate policies.

H.3. Levy Update

The Board held discussion on the Superintendent’s levy update, including upcoming scheduled town hall meetings, identifying who the levy ad donations came from, and how graduation rates are calculated with the

language used.

H.4. Fall Sports / Spring Practice

The Board held discussion with Superintendent Arnold on her recommendation to suspend fall sports practices until the results of the levy election. The Board's recommendation and direction was to allow fall sports to continue their early practice.

I. Possible Action Item From Discussion

Board Chair Thompson requested transportation budget information, and an update for monies used on the facilities abatement project.

J. Dates to Remember

- Policy Committee Meeting - Thursday, March 6th, 6:00 p.m.
- Long Range Planning Committee - Monday, March 10th, 5:30 p.m.
- IBB Work Session - Wednesday, March 12th, 6:00 p.m.
- Policy Committee Meeting - Thursday, March 13th, 6:00 p.m.
- Regular Board Meeting - Wednesday, March 19th, 6:00 p.m.
- Policy Committee Meeting - Thursday, March 20th, 6:00 p.m.

K. Board Member Input for Future Agenda Items

L. Enter Into Executive Session (Action)

M.1. Approve/Deny to enter into Executive Session per IC 74-206 (1) (a) (b) (c).

Vice Chair Grissom made a MOTION to enter into executive session, seconded by Trustee Quimby.

Roll call:

Trustee Bain: Yes

Chair Thompson: Yes

Trustee Quimby: Yes

Vice Chair Grissom: Yes

Trustee Jones: Yes

Executive session was entered at 7:26 p.m.

The Board held a recess from 7:26 p.m. until 7:31 p.m.

M. Executive Session

M.1. Personnel

The Board held discussion on personnel from 7:31 p.m. until 8:30 p.m. Administration present was Superintendent Arnold, Assistant Superintendent Paslay, Federal Programs Director Badger, and HR Director Cunningham. Assistant Superintendent Paslay, Federal Programs Director Badger, and HR Director Cunningham exited executive session at 8:30 p.m. The Board and Superintendent Arnold held discussion on personnel from 8:30 p.m. until 8:49 p.m.

Executive session ended at 8:49 p.m.

N. Post Executive Session (Action)

N.1. Personnel

There were no action items from the Executive Session.

Meeting adjourned at 8:49 p.m.

Attests: Respectfully Submitted:

Michelle Thompson, Board Chair

Maria Parker, Clerk of the Board