

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

**January 17<sup>th</sup>, 2016  
Soda Springs School District Offices  
7:00 P.M.**

**BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT**

**CHAD CHRISTENSEN**

**CHAIRMAN**

**DAN LAU**

**VICE-CHAIRMAN**

**JIM STOOR**

**TRUSTEE**

**IRENE TORGESEN**

**TRUSTEE**

**ALAN ERICKSON**

**TRUSTEE**

- 1. Call Meeting to Order:** Chairman Christensen called the board meeting to order at 7:07pm with Vice-Chairman Lau, Trustee Torgesen, Trustee Stoor, and Trustee Erickson in attendance. Also in attendance were Superintendent Molly Stein, Clerk Jonathan Balls, Principal Debra Daniels, Principal Sue Hansen, and one patron.

**1.1 Approval of Agenda:** Chairman Christensen asked if any additional agenda items were needed. 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 Vice-Chairman Lau. By a voice vote, the motion passed unanimously.

**1.2 Pledge of Allegiance:** Chairman Christensen invited the trustees, administration, and patron to join Clerk Balls in saying the Pledge of Allegiance.

- 2. Read and Approve Minutes**

**2.1 Approve the Minutes of December 20, 2016 Board Meeting:** Vice-Chairman Lau had previously given Clerk Balls a few grammatical and sentence structure suggestions to make the minutes read more clearly. Trustee Stoor pointed out that Deputy Clerk Jessica Zander's first name was erroneously recorded as Julie rather than Jessica. Vice-Chairman Lau made a motion to approve the meeting minutes of the December 20, 2016 board meeting as amended. The motion was seconded by Trustee Erickson. By a voice vote, the motion passed unanimously.

- 3. Ratify Bills / Budget Report**

**3.1 Ratify Bills: December 2016** – The board reviewed the bills paid during December 2016 and asked questions of Clerk Balls. After the discussion, Trustee Stoor made a motion to ratify the bills paid during December 2016. The motion was seconded by Vice-Chairman Lau. By a voice vote, the motion passed unanimously.

**3.2 Budget Report: December 2016** - Clerk Balls reviewed the budget for the period ending December 2016. The board asked questions of Clerk Balls regarding the budget.

**4. Public Input:** None

**5. Faculty/Staff Input:** None

**6. Old Business:**

**6.1 2nd Reading: Policy 228 “Board Member Conflict of Interest”**

**6.2 2nd Reading: Policy 244 “Trustee Nomination and Election”**

**6.3 2nd Reading: Policy 407.50 “Sick Leave”**

**6.4 2nd Reading: Policy 418 “Personnel Conflict of Interest”**

**6.5 2nd Reading: Policy 457 “Supplemental Contracts”**

**6.6 2nd Reading: Policy 466 “Leadership Premiums for Instructional Staff”**

**6.7 2nd Reading: Policy 546 “Disciplining Students with Disabilities (Section 504)”**

**6.8 2nd Reading: Policy 561 “Administering Medications”**

**6.9 2nd Reading: Policy 633 “Advanced Opportunities”**

**6.10 2nd Reading: Policy 671 “Section 504”**

**6.11 2nd Reading: Policy 672 “Gifted / Talented Education”**

**6.12 2nd Reading: Policy 673 “Reading Assessment and Intervention Program”**

The board reviewed the changes to the above policies. Trustee Erickson then made a motion to approve the above policies as 2<sup>nd</sup> Reading. The motion was seconded by Trustee Stoor. By a voice vote, the motion passed unanimously.

**7. New Business:**

**7.1 New Hire:** Superintendent Stein put forth the name of Sally Peterson to be hired as an elementary teacher at the Thirkill Elementary. Vice-Chairman Lau made a motion to approve the hiring of Sally Peterson as an Elementary Teacher. The motion was seconded by Trustee Stoor. By a voice vote, the motion passed unanimously.

**7.2 Emergency School Closures:** The board discussed and then approved the emergency school closure dates of January 4, 2017 for a half day, January 5, 2017 for a full day, January 9, 2017 for a full day and January 11, 2017 for a full day. Vice-Chairman Lau made a motion to approve these dates as an emergency school closure. Trustee Stoor seconded the motion. By a voice vote, the motion passed unanimously.

**7.3 Trustee Elections – Zones 3 & 4:** Clerk Balls mentioned that the trustee seats in zones 3 and 4 are scheduled for election this year. These seats are currently held by Chairman Christensen and Trustee Torgesen, respectively. The candidate application is available at the district office and county courthouse. The applications to get on the ballot have to be certified and turned into the district office or courthouse by March 17<sup>th</sup>, at 5:00pm. The election will be held May 16<sup>th</sup>, if there is a contested election with the term starting July 1<sup>st</sup>.

**7.4 2017-2018 Calendar:** The district administration team has begun drafting the 2017-2018 school calendar and will bring it before the board for approval.

**7.5 TMS Gym Bond:** The board discussed the TMS Gym Bond. It will likely be the same amount and size being voted upon in the May 16<sup>th</sup> election.

- 8. Superintendent & Chairman Report:** Superintendent Stein passed around thank-you notes from the staff for the Christmas Hams. She also mentioned to them the progress being made on the Continuous Improvement Plan and with teacher evaluations. Career Ladder training will be held at each building in the first part of February. She also reported that there were two more rooms rented at Hooper that were once occupied by Agrium.

**8.1 ISBA Day on the Hill – February 20<sup>th</sup> & 21<sup>st</sup> - Boise:** Clerk Balls asked who was planning on attending. All board members indicated that they will be attending. Clerk Balls will register them accordingly.

The board discussed the time for the February meeting. It was decided to meet at Noon on February 15<sup>th</sup> for the regularly scheduled meeting.

- 9. Adjournment.** With no other business to come before the Board of Trustees, Chairman Christensen declared the meeting adjourned at 8:35 pm.