

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

**September 17, 2020**

**District Offices  
7:30 A.M.**

**BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT**

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

**1. Call Meeting to Order:** Chair Torgesen called the board meeting to order at 7:36 am with Vice-Chair Barker, Trustee Stoor, Trustee Lau, and Trustee Erickson in attendance. Superintendent Molly Stein, Clerk Jonathan Balls, Treasurer Dawn Beeton, Principal Rod Worthington, Principal Jess McMurray, and Principal Debra Daniels were also in attendance.

**1.1. Approval of Agenda:** Chair Torgesen asked if there were any additional agenda items to be added to the posted agenda. Trustee Erickson asked if he could have a few minutes to update the board on some upcoming ISBA events. Chair Torgesen said we do this immediately after approving the agenda. With no further changes brought forth to the posted agenda, Vice-Chair Barker made a motion to approve the agenda as amended. The motion was seconded by Trustee Lau. Using a voice vote, the motion passed unanimously.

**2. ISBA Regional Meeting and Resolutions:** Trustee Erickson reminded the board of the ISBA Region V meeting on September 23<sup>rd</sup> at 6pm. In this meeting, the submitted resolutions and bi-law changes will be discussed. The board will meet at the District Office. He also talked about the Annual Conference.

**3. Executive Session: IDAHO CODE § 74-206(1)(b) – Employee and Student** At 7:44 Am, Trustee Erickson made a motion to go into executive session per Idaho Code § 74-206(1)(b) – Employee and Student. The motion was seconded by Vice-Chair Barker. Using a roll call vote: Chair Torgesen: Yes, Vice-Chair Barker: Yes, Trustee Lau: Yes, Trustee Erickson: Yes, Trustee Stoor – Yes. The motion passed unanimously.

While in executive session, the board discussed COVID-19 cases and the District’s response.

At 8:14 am, Trustee Erickson made a motion to go out of Executive Session. The motion was seconded by Vice-Chair Barker. Using a roll call vote: Chair Torgesen: Yes, Vice-Chair Barker: Yes, Trustee Lau: Yes, Trustee Erickson: Yes, Trustee Stoor: Yes. The motion passed unanimously.

No action was taken from the Executive Session.

#### 4. COVID-19 Contingency Re-entry Plan

**4.1. Modification to COVID-19 Contingency Re-entry Plan:** The school board and district administration had a lengthy discussion focused around keeping the students in school. The board discussed confirmed cases, close contacts, out of town activities, and how to handle each one of the different scenarios. During the discussion, Superintendent Stein suggested to the board they contact legal counsel regarding the changes. After the discussion, Trustee Stoor made a motion to approve the following changes to the COVID-19:

1. After a confirmed positive COVID-19 test, the student must be in quarantine for 5 days and show no symptoms or taking any fever reducing medications prior to returning to school.
2. If student B comes in close contact to student A who has a confirmed positive COVID-19 test and Student B shows NO symptoms, then Student B is to stay in school. The board highly recommends that Student B wear a mask for 7 calendar days. A letter will be sent to the parents of Student B informing them of the close contact and outlining the recommendations.
3. For any team, club, or class traveling outside of Soda Springs, a mask is **required** to be worn when leaving the bus at a convenience store, restaurant, fast food establishment, etc.

The motion was seconded by Vice-Chair Barker. Using a voice vote, the motion passed 4 yes votes to 1 no vote, with Trustee Lau voting against the motion.

**5. Adjournment.** With no further action needed by the board, Chair Torgesen declared the meeting adjourned at 9:53am.