

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

**December 20th, 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

- 1. Call Meeting to Order:** Chairman Christensen called the board meeting to order at 7:09pm with Trustee Torgesen, and Trustee Stoor in attendance with Vice-Chairman Lau joining the meeting via cellular phone after the meeting had commenced. Trustee Erickson has previously asked to be excused from this meeting. Also in attendance were Superintendent Molly Stein, Clerk Jonathan Balls, Principal Robert Daniel, Principal Debra Daniels, Principal Sue Hansen, one patron and one student.

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 Stoor made a motion to approve the agenda as posted. The motion was seconded by Trustee Torgesen. By a voice vote, the motion passed unanimously.

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

- 2. Read and Approve Minutes**

2.1 Approve the Minutes of 11-16-16, 12-7-16, and 12-12-16 Board Meetings: Vice-Chairman Lau had previously sent Clerk Balls a few grammatical and sentence structure suggestions to make the minutes read more clearly. Trustee Stoor pointed out that Deputy Clerk Julie Zander as also in attendance at the 12-12-16 board meeting. Trustee Stoor made a motion to approve the meeting minutes of the 11-16-16, 12-7-16, and 12-12-16 board meetings as amended. The motion was seconded by Trustee Torgesen. By a voice vote, the motion passed unanimously.

Vice-Chairman Lau joined the meeting via cellular phone

- 3. Ratify Bills / Budget Report**

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

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

4. **Public Input:** India Galloway, 741 East 300 North, Soda Springs ID, 83276: India thanked the board for the opportunity to fundraise at the basketball to help support pancreatic cancer research.
5. **Faculty/Staff Input:** Principal Daniels extended a thank-you to the board from the staff for the Christmas hams given them by the board. Principal Daniel talked about the fundraising for the Angel Tree at the High School. He reported that 10 bicycles were able to be purchased from the monies donated.

6. Old Business:

6.1 2017-2018 Supplemental Levy: Clerk Balls asked the board to discuss and set the supplemental levy rate so that the wording could be given to the counties in time for the March 2017 election. After the discussion, Trustee Stoor made a motion for a resolution calling for a supplemental levy election asking the district's patrons to approve \$728,000. The motion was seconded by Vice-Chairman Lau. By a voice vote, the motion passed unanimously.

6.2 Tuition Levy: It was previously brought to the attention of the board that the tuition levy was no longer an option for the school district. The process changed at the State level and the district was not informed of the change. The board conferred with the State Department of Education, the State Tax Commission, and finally with the Caribou County Commissioners. The Tuition Levy will not be charged in the future.

6.3 2nd Reading: Policy 639 "Parental Rights and Involvement Policy": With having received input from parents regarding the wording, Trustee Stoor made a motion to approve Policy 639 as 2nd reading. The motion was seconded by Vice-Chairman Lau. By a voice vote, the motion passed unanimously.

6.4 Bus Purchase: Clerk Balls mentioned that although the board had discussed purchasing a bus at its June 8th, 2016 board meeting, a formal motion by the board to approve the bus purchase was needed. Vice-Chairman Lau made a motion to approve the bus purchase. The motion was seconded by Trustee Stoor. By a voice vote, the motion passed unanimously.

7. New Business:

- 7.1 1st Reading: Policy 228 "Board Member Conflict of Interest"
- 7.2 1st Reading: Policy 244 "Trustee Nomination and Election"
- 7.3 1st Reading: Policy 407.50 "Sick Leave"
- 7.4 1st Reading: Policy 418 "Personnel Conflict of Interest"
- 7.5 1st Reading: Policy 457 "Supplemental Contracts"
- 7.6 1st Reading: Policy 466 "Leadership Premiums for Instructional Staff"
- 7.7 1st Reading: Policy 546 "Disciplining Students with Disabilities (Section 504)"
- 7.8 1st Reading: Policy 561 "Administering Medications"
- 7.9 1st Reading: Policy 633 "Advanced Opportunities"
- 7.10 1st Reading: Policy 671 "Section 504"
- 7.11 1st Reading: Policy 672 "Gifted / Talented Education"
- 7.12 1st Reading: Policy 673 "Reading Assessment and Intervention Program"

Superintendent Stein reviewed each of the above policies pointing out the language that was in code and the language that could be at the discretion of the board. The board discussed

these additions and modifications. After reviewing all the policies, Vice-Chairman Lau made a motion to approve the above policies as 1st Reading. The motion was seconded by Trustee Torgesen. By a voice vote, the motion passed unanimously.

8. Superintendent & Chairman Report:

8.1 Superintendent Evaluation: The board will decide who and how Superintendent Stein will be evaluated.

8.2 ISBA Day on the Hill: Trustee Stoor mentioned the ISBA Day on the Hill held in Boise February 20th & 21st. Clerk Balls asked that each board member let him know by January's board meeting if they are able to attend.

9. Executive Session: Idaho Code § 74-206(1)(b) – Student At 8:15pm, Trustee Stoor made a motion to into executive session per Idaho Code § 74-206(1)(b) – Student. The motion was seconded by Vice-Chairman Lau. Using a roll call vote, Chairman Christensen: Yes, Vice-Chairman Lau: Yes, Trustee Torgesen: Yes, and Trustee Stoor: Yes. The motion passed unanimously.

While in executive session, the board discussed the attendance and academic performance of a student.

At 8:37pm, Vice Chairman Lau made a motion to go out of executive session. The motion was seconded by Trustee Stoor. Using a roll call vote, Chairman Christensen: Yes, Vice-Chairman Lau: Yes, Trustee Torgesen: Yes, and Trustee Stoor: Yes. The motion passed unanimously

10. Adjournment. With no other business to come before the Board of Trustees, Chairman Christensen declared the meeting adjourned at 8:43 pm.