Minidoka County School District #331 School Board of Trustees Special Board Meeting Minutes January 24, 2008

Brian Duncan, Chairman, called the Special Board Meeting to order at 5:05 p.m. which was held at the School District Office, 633 Fremont Avenue, Rupert, Idaho.

Board Members Present

The poll of the trustees follows: Duncan - Yes; Price – Yes; MacDonald -Yes; Stevenson -Yes. Vice Chairman Copeland was absent. The clerk reported a quorum was present.

Others Present

The following were also present: Dr. Scott Rogers, Superintendent; John Fennell, Assistant Superintendent; Michelle DeLuna, Business Manager, and Betty Miller, Board Clerk. Others attending were: Michele Widmier, Federal Programs Director; Marlane Garner, Special Services Director and Renee Sessler, Lighthouse Project Trainer.

Idaho Lighthouse Training Meeting

Following introductions, Renee Sessler, Lighthouse Project Trainer, presented the first of five training sessions planned for this year.

Ms. Sessler explained that the Idaho Lighthouse Project is a version of the Iowa Lighthouse Multi-state study of how school boards can affect student achievement. The purpose being to explore what is possible to accomplish when boards of education, school administrators, and Idaho School Boards Association work together.

This session focused on the importance of: 1) Highly effective teachers, 2) Quality Professional Development and administrators working as a team, 3) A belief in students' abilities (Look at the uniqueness of the district and not make excuses), and 4) Establishing clear measurable goals.

The next training session is to be held at 5:00 p.m. on February 28, 2008 at the District Office. A copy of the Lighthouse training materials is hereby incorporated into these minutes by reference to exhibit #1.

Business

2007-2008 Matching Grants Requests Approved

A motion was made by Trustee Tammy Stevenson to approve the 2007-2008 Matching Grant Requests. The motion was seconded by Trustee George MacDonald and unanimously approved. A copy of the Matching Grants Requests form is hereby incorporated into these minutes by reference to exhibit #2.

Executive Session

A motion was made by Trustee Tammy Stevenson and seconded by Trustee Doyle Price to go into Executive Session. Executive session began at 7:36 p.m. for the purposes of consideration of school personnel <u>Idaho Code</u> 67-2345 (a), (b), labor negotiations or interest in real property (c), and legal questions (f). The poll of the trustees follows: Duncan-Yes; Price-Yes; MacDonald-Yes; Stevenson-Yes.

The Board discussed school personnel.

Trustee George MacDonald moved to close the Executive Session and return into Open Session. Trustee Doyle Price seconded the motion which was unanimously approved. Brian Duncan, Chairman of the Board, declared the Executive Session closed at 8:15 p.m.

Meeting Adjourned

Trustee MacDonald moved to adjourn the Special Board Meeting. The motion was seconded by Trustee Price and unanimously approved. Chairman Duncan adjourned the meeting at 8:16 p.m.

Brian Duncan, Chairman of the Board

Attest: 1-24-08: bkm

Betty Miller, Board Clerk