

Minidoka County School District
Superintendent's Report
April 17, 2017

Correspondence

- We received notice of two public hearings, one for a Light Industrial Subdivision in Rupert (at 216 W 75 S) and a 20 lot residential subdivision in Heyburn (at 325 S 400 W). I plan on attending the hearing for the housing in Heyburn on the 20th of April.

Information/Updates

- **Mini-Cassia Chamber Publication** – I received the attached flyer about putting an advertisement in the Destination Southern Idaho magazine. I would recommend that we do have some representation in the publication. A half page would cost \$749.
- **Classified Daily Rate** – In answer to a question raised at last month's meeting, the average classified cost per day is \$24, 059.
- **Bus Inspection Report** – We received the attached report from the State with regard to their annual inspection. Overall very good, though we do need to improve our supervision of bus loading and unloading.
- **Shortened Bus Routes** – Our bus routes have returned to normal. I have begun meeting with Alicia to discuss optimizing bus routes.
- **Employee of the Year Reception** – This reception was a great success. I am pleased to announce Alicia Bywater as Administrator of the Year, Sandra Clayville as Classified Employee of the Year, and Shannon Brown as Teacher of the Year.
- **Minico Hitting Facility Update** – I met with Jared Price and Greer Copeland on Friday the 7th to discuss progress and next steps. The building is up with the concrete floor done, turf ordered and paint on the way.
- **Food Service Building Remodel** – We are getting the structural engineering guidance to add a large freezer and additional dry storage in the east end of the building. We will be converting the existing bathrooms into storage for the Disabled American Veterans.
- **Hawk's Landing East Minico Irrigation Pipe** – We have asked for Mike Tribe's help in recording a change in the easement with the County.
- **Negotiations** – The Negotiations Team has met weekly since the 28th of March. We have made progress on several different issues: bereavement and sick leave, length of work day and prep time. They are waiting to see the Board's response to Emergency Closure and which types of days can be reinstated when a closure occurs.
- **Make-Up Time Request** – I received a call from a parent whose son goes to East Minico Middle School. He was upset because of a written assignment that was an alternative to imposing make-up time for attendance. He indicated that he would rather have his son do make-up time to help his grades improve. I told Mr. McKinney that I would visit with the Board about allowing make-up time if the parent agrees. As Bryan reported last month the lack of make-up time has significantly increased the number of courses that have to be retaken this year.

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Meetings/Activities

- **Staff/Building Visits:**

I met with each building principal on Wednesday the 29th and reviewed their staffing allocations. I believe that we have been able to develop a very equitable distribution of those staffing funds.

I have met with many teachers in their classrooms at Heyburn Elementary. I also stopped by the Minico Senior Presentations last Tuesday, but was unable to participate due to time constraints.

- **Committee/Community Meetings:**

Michelle Deluna, Heather Hepworth, Ashley Johnson and I attended the State Department of Education's **Legislative Review** on Tuesday the 11th. It was mostly good news, though we would always like more money.

Just a reminder about access to the information that I receive from the **Region IV Superintendent's** meeting that I attend each month. If any trustees would like to have access to that information, please let me know.

I will be attending the **Prevention Conference** in Sun Valley on Thursday and Friday April 13 and 14.

Upcoming Events

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| April 18, 25 | Negotiations, 4:00 |
| April 19 | Parent Patron Advisory Team Meeting - Noon |
| April 24-5 | Law Conference in Boise |
| April 25 | Negotiations – 4 – 7 pm @ DSC |
| May 2 | Negotiations, 4:00 |
| May 9 | Facilities Committee Meeting – Noon |
| May 10 | Policy Review Committee Meeting – 3:45 – 5:00 pm |
| May 15 | Regular Board Meeting - 5:00 pm Executive Session – 5:45 Work Session Topic: Insurance Benefits, CTE Program Review |