

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

**NOVEMBER 20th, 2013
THIRKILL ELEMENTARY LIBRARY
6:30 P.M.**

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT

JIM STOOR	CHAIRMAN
CHAD CHRISTENSEN	VICE-CHAIRMAN
DAN LAU	TRUSTEE
IRENE TORGESEN	TRUSTEE
ALAN ERICKSON	TRUSTEE

1. Call Meeting to Order: Chairman Stoor called the Board meeting to order at 6:34 p.m. Chairman Stoor, Vice-Chairman Christensen, Trustee Lau, Trustee Torgesen, and Trustee Erickson were in attendance as well as Dr. Molly Stein, Superintendent, Jonathan Balls, Clerk, Sue Hansen, Principal, Debbie Daniels, Principal, Robert Daniel, Principal, Jeff Horsley, Educator, Ashley Brown, Educator, seven students, and three patrons.

1.1 Approval of Agenda. Chairman Stoor asked if any additional agenda items were needed. None were brought forth, so Trustee Lau made a motion to approve the agenda as posted. The motion was seconded by Trustee Erickson. The motion passed unanimously.

1.2 Pledge of Allegiance. Chairman Stoor invited the trustees, administration, staff, students and patrons to join Clerk Balls in saying the Pledge of Allegiance.

2. Student Celebration: High School Cross Country Teams. The board gave the coaches and athletes a standing ovation for their championship performances on the field and in the classroom. The board heard feedback on this year's events from the athletes and coaches. Coach Horsley presented a check to the board to help defray the travel cost of an overnight trip.

3. Executive Session – Idaho Code #67-2345 Subsection A – Employee: Trustee Erickson made a motion to go into executive session per Idaho Code #67-2345 Subsection A – Employee. The motion was seconded by Vice-Chairman Christensen. On voice vote: Chairman Stoor – Yes, Vice-Chairman Christensen – Yes, Trustee Torgesen – Yes, Trustee Lau – Yes, and Trustee Erickson – Yes. The board discussed teachers that have requested to be released from their contract due to changed family and health situations. After discussions, Trustee Erickson made a motion to go out of executive session. The motion was seconded by Vice-Chairman Christensen. On voice vote: Chairman Stoor – Yes, Vice-Chairman Christensen – Yes, Trustee Torgesen – Yes, Trustee Lau – Yes, and Trustee Erickson – Yes.

Trustee Erickson made a motion to release Ginny Yancey from her contract due to her health. The motion was seconded by Trustee Lau. The motion passed unanimously.

4. Read and Approve Minutes.

4.1 Approve Minutes of October 16th, 2013 and October 23rd Board Meetings. Trustee Lau mentioned that Chairman Stoor was left off from the voice vote to go out of Executive Session in item 10 of the October 16th, 2013 minutes. With no other changes, Vice-Chairman Christensen made a motion to approve the minutes of October 16th, 2013 as amended and October 23rd, 2013 as written. The motion was seconded by Trustee Lau. The motion passed unanimously.

5. Ratify Bills / Budget Report

4.1 Ratify Bills: October 2013 The board reviewed and asked questions of Clerk Balls regarding the bills from October 2013. After the discussion, Trustee Erickson made a motion to ratify the bills from October 2013. The motion was seconded by Trustee Torgesen. The motion passed unanimously.

4.2 Budget Report: October 2013: The Trustees reviewed the budget as of October 2013. Clerk Balls answered the questions the board had.

6. Correspondence: Superintendent Stein received a letter from JFAC thanking her for her time recently in meeting with them as they toured South Eastern Idaho.

7. Public Input: None

8. Faculty/Staff Input: Each building principal shared with the board what was going on in their building. Principal Sue Hansen shared that through sponsorship by the PTO, author Gary Hogg came to Thirkill Elementary and read to the children and autographed books for the children. Principal Debra Daniels hosted a Discover Education conference at the Middle School that was attended by several teachers in the district. Principal Robert Daniel shared how the high school teachers collaborated to give their students real world math and science problems to solve.

9. Old Business:

9.1 Approval of 2012-2013 Audit: After a brief discussion, Trustee Erickson made a motion to approve the 2012-2013 audit. The motion was seconded by Trustee Torgesen. The motion passed unanimously.

9.2 Hooper Property: Chairman Stoor and Superintendent Stein reviewed with the board regarding the Hooper Property and specifically keeping the well and what legal ramifications that would entail. They also talked about the well house, sprinkler system, and the fence. Chairman Stoor and Trustee Erickson will meet with City Director Skinner to continue the discussion.

10. New Business:

10.1 1st Reading: Policy 310 “Administrative Personnel Evaluation” After discussion, Vice-Chairman Christensen made a motion to move Policy 310 to second reading. Trustee Erickson seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

10.2 Admin Evaluation Form: After discussion, Trustee Lau made a motion to approve the Admin Evaluation Form. The motion was seconded by Vice-Chairman Christensen. The motion passed unanimously.

10.3 ISBA Conference Report: Chairman Stoor, Trustee Erickson, Trustee Torgesen, and Trustee Lau each took their turn to report back to the board what they learned and came away with from the recent ISBA conference.

11. Superintendent & Chairman Report:

11.1 Facilities: A discussion was had around reports of consolidation in the county and the districts' current facility needs. It was decided that Trustees Erickson and Lau will head up a committee to evaluate the facilities and the needs with them.

11.2 Holiday Activities: Clerk Balls reminded the board of the Christmas Dinner on Monday the 9th of December. The board also said that they would like Clerk Balls to order ½ hams for the employees.

12. Adjournment. With no other business to come before the Board of Trustees, Chairman Stoor declared the meeting adjourned at 9:21pm.