Minidoka County School District #331 School Board of Trustees Special Board Meeting Minutes June 26, 2008

Lighthouse Attendance

The following were present: Dr. Scott Rogers, Superintendent; Michelle DeLuna, Business Manager, and Betty Miller, Board Clerk. Board Members: Brian Duncan, George MacDonald, and Tammy Stevenson. Administrators and principals attending were: Suzette Miller, Terry Garner, Colleen Johnson, Sandra Miller, John Kontos, Teresa Lowder, Michele Widmier, and Marlane Garner.

Idaho Lighthouse Training Meeting

The sixth Idaho Lighthouse training meeting entitled "Shared Leadership" was held at the District Office, 633 Fremont Avenue, Rupert, Idaho and was presented by Lighthouse Project Trainer, Renee Sessler. The meeting was informally called to order at 5:08 p.m.

After a review of previous sessions, the Lighthouse members discussed the "End-of-the-Year Picnic scenario to determine ways exemplified leadership is being shared across the District. Character traits of leadership were identified. Leadership versus Management was discussed - Management produces a degree of predictability and leadership produces change. Members reviewed a film strip with Eleanor Jasaitas which emphasized the need for a belief in what you do and to teach by example with the necessity of passion, persistence, and partnership. Instructional Leadership was discussed and District Level Leadership goals were determined which are: 1) Establish clear goals for improvement; 2) Non-negotiable goals for improving achievement and classroom instruction; 3) Establish specific achievement targets; 4) Keep the focus on the improvement goals; 5) Continually monitor progress; 6) Ensure adequate support; and 7) Appropriate flexibility to meet the improvement goals.

A consensus for the clear and narrow focus for the District for the 2008-2009 school year was identified. It is: "We will increase INSTRUCTIONAL INTENSITY to significantly improve academic achievement for all students." All professional development and expenditures for the school district for the upcoming school year will be directly related to this focus.

The Board's homework assignment was to read Richard Elmore's "Building a New Structure for School Leadership" and identify the elements of effective leadership in the article and the effective educational leadership focus.

A copy of the Lighthouse training materials is hereby incorporated into these minutes by reference to exhibit #1.

The Lighthouse meeting adjourned at 8:40 p.m.

Chairman Duncan called the Business Session of the Special Board Meeting to order at 8:42 p.m.

Poll of the Board

The poll of the trustees follows: Duncan – Yes; MacDonald – Yes; Price – Yes; Stevenson – Yes. The Clerk of the Board reported a quorum was present.

Business:

Lease of House at Minico High School

The Board directed Dr. Rogers to issue a letter regarding the lease of the house on the Minico High School property. No motion was made. A copy of the letter is hereby incorporated into these minutes by reference to exhibit #2.

Discussion of Bond Issue

The Board discussed the possibility of running a \$4.4 million bond for completion of construction for the new schools. The Board expressed a desire to have Alan Westenskow, Vice President of Zions Bank Public Finance, and Nick Miller, Bond Counsel with Hawley Troxell, present at the July board meeting.

Meeting Adjourned

A motion to adjourn the regular board meeting was made by Trustee George MacDonald at 9:00 p.m. Trustee Tammy Stevenson seconded the motion which was approved unanimously. Chairman Duncan declared the meeting adjourned.

Brian Duncan, Chairman of the Board

Attest: 6:26-08: bkm

Betty Miller, Board Clerk