

HAGERMAN JOINT SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 233
REGULAR MEETING OF THE SCHOOL BOARD HELD SEPTEMBER 9, 2019

The regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Hagerman Joint School District No 233, Gooding and Twin Falls Counties, Idaho, was convened at 7:00 pm on the 9th day of September 2019, in the Media Center of the Hagerman Jr/Sr High School, Hagerman, Idaho, pursuant to authority provided by ID Section 74-206.

A. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting opened at 7:00 pm with Chairman Mark Daily presiding. Also present was Vice Chairman Bryan Whitmarsh, Treasurer Teri Dorchuck, Trustee Brian Moore and Trustee Monte Osborne. Present was Superintendent Mark Kress, Principal Jaren Wadsworth and District Clerk Bette Reed.

Visitors signing the sign-in sheet included Kristi Hall, Ricky Fritz, Vicki Owsley, Carrie Chizum, Jennie Gibson, Matt Cottam, Daniel Knapp, Laura Lyons, Maryann Floyd, and Drucie Wadsworth.

B. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Motion (Moore/Osborne) Carried to approve agenda.

C. CONSENT AGENDA

Motion (Whitmarsh/Dorchuck) Carried to accept consent agenda. (Questions: Elementary and Jr/Sr High Student Body Accounts-missing detail listing of check register-will email after contacting secretaries; number of binders purchased for AVID, wrong budget printed on financial statements, multiple questions pertaining to detail line item of financial report-questions on rental income, salary expenses, plant facility cash accounts/investments, general fund and plant facility funds, percentages calculated on financials, zero's printed on balance sheets to name a few.

Mr. Whitmarsh asked about: Medicaid revenues and where/why it has not been posted, where the Plant Facility money has been set aside for the gymnasium building project, why is there a credit to monthly salary listed yet zero balance on year-to-date salary, alluding to inappropriate accounting. Clerk Reed explained that teacher's contracts are September through August and that the July and August salary expenditures need to be reversed since they are the prior year's expense-the salaries/expenses were accrued in the prior year. Clerk Reed also explained the 'CR' on the financial report designates credit which is a reduction in assets and expenditures whereas a debit increases assets and expenditures. She also noted that the plant facility building project is recorded in fund 420-Plant Facilities and Medicaid/Medicaid expenditures (speech, OT, behavior services for Medicaid students) are now recorded in newly developed fund 260 which is mandated by State Department of Education. Ms. Reed also responded that we can not control when Medicaid dollars will come in.

D. REPORTS

1. Superintendent Mark Kress:

- CIP, ALICE Program, and School Safety training conducted at beginning of school. General Fund paid for all staff attendance. Lunch provided for everyone. Afternoon training for aides;
- Playground gates locked 24 hours but that may be a hazard as an escape route. Need to look at practice/routine of locking;
- Implementing PBIS program in elementary school using acronym ARRGH (attitude, responsible, respectful, gratitude, and honest);
- School report card on State Department of Education's web page reflect a 90% growth at Hagerman School which is recognized as a top performer within the state;
- Pre-testing of M-Comp and M-CAP (math tests) are finish and will be followed up at end of year with post-testing for comparisons. IStation used to evaluate reading and math;
- Technology program has purchased mobile laptops (chrome books) for students and in process of purchasing 30 computers/monitors for teachers and staff;
- Migrant Ed Program identifying students whose parents have recently moved and working in agriculture could possibly generate funds for the school;
- Replacement of fence (near canal) cost estimate approximately \$24,000. Need to look at other options;
- Working with Rebecca Nebeker (Lady Bug PreSchool) in utilizing an on-line preparatory program in either math or reading to get students ready to start kindergarten.

2. Principal Jaren Wadsworth:

- AD meeting today-4 schools moving out of conference (Murtaugh, Castleford, Hansen, and Lighthouse). Hagerman School locked in for 2 years;
- Newsletter to begin spotlighting a teacher/staff member;

- Looking for funds to purchase an additional AED (defibrillator);
 - Homecoming in 2 weeks. Homecoming parade on Thursday at 10:30am;
 - Career Day October 10 from 8am to 3pm. May invite Bliss and Shoshone schools depending on vendor turnout;
 - Character Ed by Vicki Owsley to become better citizens;
 - Reading program utilizing STAR Reading and Accelerated Reading (need more licenses);
 - PTV (Jr/Sr High) – very active;
 - Math 143 course has 4 students, next step trigonometry for spring semester;
 - Offering dual credit classes in science and math. Ms. Brooks needs an additional 12 credits to teach dual credit through CSI. Need board approval to pay for credits to move forward;
 - Reviewed Late Work Policy/Procedure for Jr/Sr High School students;
 - Change eligibility qualifications for athletics to be able to qualify on game day;
 - Encouraging parents to access students' grades through Power School;
 - Technology Plan-received 2 network printers for student use. Would like to update minimal of 2 computers a year in the tech labs. Supt. Kress asked whether to update computer labs or one-on-one mobile devices (ex-chrome books). Best not to purchase all devices in one year so they all don't go down at the same time;
 - Carl Perkins Fund spent around \$9,000 – will provide a list of items purchased. Board concern as to how the money was spent and if it benefited the technology plan;
 - Principal Wadsworth asking about getting reimbursed for mileage for attending athletic games. Supt. Kress noted that he only asked for reimbursement if he did not have a child playing in the game. Board noted that he should be reimbursed;
 - AVID update – Mr. Easterday and Mrs. Owsley doing a good job. Planners/Binders being utilized, still need parent involvement;
 - Principal Wadsworth requesting electronic paystubs (misplaces his stubs). Ms. Reed to check with software vendor.
3. **Daniel Knapp:** (Trustee Dorchuck recused from discussion):
- Ribbon cutting ceremony on September 18 at 10:00am. Sherri Ibarra to be in attendance. Invitations passed out to trustees. Supt. Kress asked about students attending and Mr. Knapp consented;
 - Bayer grant to bring in \$25,000. (\$2,000 for classroom products, \$8,000 teaching, \$10,00 marketing; and science/career fairs, \$2000 curriculum, training, and Friday Fun Food labs);
 - Chobani Grant (\$60,000) – still in the 'running' to receive the grant.

E. ACTION ITEMS:

1. Alternative Authorization

Motion (Whitmarsh/Moore) to approve Nic Jayo for alternative authorization for P.E. and Amy Gossi with an emergency authorization in math.

2. Jennie Gibson-Math Participation

Motion (Dorchuck/Osborne) to accept Jennie Gibson's research study for the purpose of determining how to implement a new online math program through IStation for grades 1 through 3.

3. Football Travel Trip

Motion (Osborne/Moore) to approve an overnight stay at Timberline. Plans to practice in the morning and a visit to the veteran's hospital later in the day.

4. Speech Therapy Contract Revision

Motion (Whitmarsh/Moore) to approve the amendment to the contract (change from \$45.00/hr to \$35.00 hr)

5. Credit Card Policy

Discussion. Main concern for Ms. Reed is the receipt of purchases orders/invoices. Already experiencing missing information with use of credit cards by staff. Ms. Reed to get several policies from other schools.

6. Hires and Resignations

Motion (Moore/Dorchuck) to hire Amy Gossi parttime for Math, Shurell Seamons as a classroom aide, and David Sparks to teach Spanish for 1 hour a day after school. He will also be teaching Nonviolet Crises Intervention which is the proper methods to 'take down' a student.

7. Leadership Stipends

Motion (Whitmarsh/Osborne) to approve leadership stipends as outlined.

8. R. Michael Burr, CPA

Discussion: Mark Daily noted that to bring in Michael Burr at an additional cost is unnecessary as we can get the school's auditor to do the training. Bryan Whitmarsh disagreed and made the following motion:

Motion (Moore/Dorchuck) Carried to use Michael Burr for board training of 2018/2019 audit.

9. ARTEC/AAFS Funding Proposal (Trustee Dorchuck recused from discussion):

Motion (Whitmarsh/Moore) to approve AAFS funding from general fund of approximately \$14,000. (ARTEC's revenue derived from student's ADA taken from the general fund).

10. 2GCC Fiscal Sponsorship Agreement (Trustee Dorchuck recused from discussion except to explain ownership):

~~Motion (Whitmarsh/Moore) to approve the current agreement with amendment to exclude ownership to 2GCC.~~

STRIKE above Motion per Bryan Whitmarsh

Motion (Whitmarsh/Moore) to approve current 2GCC agreement amendment to not own physical property and the agreement to be reviewed and approved by the school legal counsel.

F. EXECUTIVE SESSION

Chairman Daily announced that the next order of business would be adjourning to executive session.

Motion (Osborne/Dorchuck) Carried to go into executive session.

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Trustees of Hagerman Joint School District No. 233 recess from a regular meeting into executive session pursuant to Section 74-206. The executive session was held in the media center of the Jr/Sr High School at 9:35pm.

IC 74-206(b) Idaho Code, to consider the evaluation, dismissal or disciplining of, or to hear complaints or charges brought against, a public officer, employee, staff member, individual agent, or public-school student.

The Chairman called for individual vote which was as follows:

Mark Daily	Yes	Monte Osborne	Yes
Bryan Whitmarsh	Yes	Brian Moore	Yes
Teri Dorchuck	Yes		

BE IT FURTHER, that following the executive session the Board will reconvene in public session for the purpose of continuing the meeting. Vote being had on the above and foregoing resolution, and the same having been counted and found to be no less than two-thirds (2/3) of the membership in favor thereof, the chairperson declared said resolution adopted. Supt. Mark Kress and Clerk Reed attended the session.

Discussion: out of district student applications and student concerns

Executive session ended at 9:55pm

Principal Wadsworth left.

G. OPEN SESSION:

Motion (Whitmarsh/Dorchuck) to approve out of district student applications as presented/

Further Discussion: Bryan Whitmarsh-upset over lack of Medicaid Report and that the Medicaid process is not working, he said "looks like money is being hidden". It was noted that new procedures were being implemented with Ms. Lee now picking up the slack from the non-billing from ProActive. Ms. Lee is not expecting any loss of dollars but the money will be received in the 2019/2020 school year.

Clerk Reed discussed Maintenance of Effort concerns and the revenue received will offset the expenditures in previous year's book (receivable) and not in the current school year.

Board discussion: student use of technology devices (chrome books) and an acceptable use policy (take home or leave at school); requirement to have a Veteran's Day assembly; web page employment applications out of date; staff salary comparison; meet with Michael Burr sometime late October or November with 2018/2019 audit report. Teri Dorchuck inquired of possible breach of contract with Pro Active for not billing Medicaid.

Next meeting-Columbus Day, October 14, 2019.

Motion (Moore/Dorchuck) Carried to adjourn at 11:15pm.

Bette Reed

Bette Reed, District Clerk