

**BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETINGS
CASCADE SCHOOL DISTRICT #422
December 15, 2009**

Present:

**Ann Young, Chairman
Karen Thurston
Jason Speer
Linda Cimbalik
Mikael Bedell**

**Vic Koshuta, Superintendent
Pal Sartori, Secondary Principal
Anne Stilwill, Elementary Principal
Bev Davenport, Counselor
JoAnne Suggs, Clerk**

Dan Johnson, Teacher

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Young at 7:00 p.m. pursuant to 33-510, 67-2340, 67-2342 and 67-2343 of Idaho Code. Roll Call was taken.

Ms. Cimbalik motioned to approve the minutes of the November 2009 regular meeting. Ms. Thurston seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

The Clerk submitted bills for payment and approval:

November 2009 Bills	\$31,667.05
Immediate Checks	\$ 8,013.69

Ms. Thurston motioned to approve the payment of bills as submitted, Mr. Speer made the second and the motion passed unanimously.

Scheduled Delegations

Mr. Johnson, the band teacher, gave a report on what is happening in his classes and reviewed a handout on possible future plans.

The Elementary Principal reported that the elementary teachers are thrilled with the additional prep time allowed from hiring the assistant.

The Secondary Principal presented a request for an authorized absence approval for a student that would like take several days between now and April for ski races. The student's grades and attendance are good. Mr. Sartori recommended the Board approve the absences. Ms. Cimbalik motioned to amend the agenda to accommodate the approval or denial of the student's absences. The approval or denial of the absences was not on the original agenda posting due to the fact that it was unknown at that time that the request was being made. Mr. Speer seconded the motion to amend the agenda and the motion passed unanimously. Mr. Speer motioned to approve the listed absences from school with the provisions that the student's grades are kept up and any missed work is made up. Dr. Bedell seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

The Counselor's written report was previously sent out to the Board. Questions were entertained. Ms. Davenport is looking for a guest speaker for the January Education Night.

The Business Manager had no report.

The Superintendent gave an update on the following and reviewed his report previously sent out for review:

- A committee of nine staff members, both certified and classified, has been formed to develop a financial plan for the 2011-2012 school year in the events of the continued economy status and a supplemental bond not being successful. Plans are to meet regularly over the next 16 months.
- An ISBA "10 minute training on the Reduction In Force (RIF) policy was completed.
- Mr. Hinze gave an update on his research regarding security cameras. Mr. Koshuta checked with the insurance agency and there is no credit for having security cameras.

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- The Southwest Recreation District is putting together an estimate of costs to have the ball fields, Fischer Pond and Armstrong Park professionally maintained. A review of the estimates will be done in January.
- The Driver's Education fee for students that enroll in the IDLA online class was reviewed. The difference in the online class enrollment fee and the District's fee for the observation while driving is equal to the state reimbursement the District receives.
- Administration decided to treat personal computers and cell phones brought to school with inappropriate material on them in the same manner as if someone brought an inappropriate magazine to school.
- The Superintendent's 2009-2010 goals were reviewed.
- Approval from the DEQ was received to replace one bus. Bid specifications are being worked out and a request for bids should be ready to go out in March or April 2010. The bid specifications will be brought to the Board for review before placing the request.
- Enrollment hasn't changed since last month. A request to the State Department of Education to revise the Average Daily Attendance due to the flu outbreak has been submitted.

Old Business

There was continued discussion of Policy 5430. No decisions or motions were made. A first reading will be done in January.

With consideration of Mr.Hinze's security camera update, further discussion of the security cameras will be tabled until later; perhaps closer to budget time.

New Business

The bus routes were approved at the November Board meeting. A review of the bus back-up routes was done. Ms. Cimbalik motioned to approve the bus back-up routes as presented. Ms. Thurston seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

The request to approve or deny the security camera site committee was tabled as mentioned above.

A first reading of Policy 5320 was done. No motions or decisions were made.

A first reading of Policy 5700 was done. No decisions or motions were made.

Ms. Thurston motioned to approve the hiring of Brenda Raiser administration and teacher non-instructional assistant. Mr. Speer seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

The request to approve or deny participation in the Race To The Top (RT3) program is unnecessary as the CEA, being one group of the required three parties needed for the Memorandum of Understanding, was not in support of it.

Ms. Thurston motioned to approve signing the auditor contract for the 2009-2010 and 2010-2011 school years.

Dr. Bedell seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Public Comment

None

Other Business

None

Executive Session

None

There being no further business, Chairman Young adjourned the meeting at 8:27 p.m.

Chairman – Ann Young

Clerk – JoAnne Suggs