I. Call to Order - The Board of Trustees of School District No. 411, Twin Falls County, State of Idaho, met in its regular monthly meeting at Canyon Ridge High School boardroom #301 located at 300 North College Road, Twin Falls, Idaho, at the hour of 7:00 p.m., on Monday, December 12, 2016. The following trustees were present: Chairman Bernie Jansen, Trustees Bryan Matsuoka, Mary Barron, Paul McClintock, and Liyah Babayan. There were also present Superintendent of Schools, Wiley J. Dobbs; Board Clerk, Michelle Lucas; Director of Fiscal Affairs, Bob Seaman; Director of Educational Technology/Operations, Brady Dickinson; Director of Human Resources, Shannon Swafford; Director of Federal Programs, Policy, and Grants, Bill Brulotte; Director of Support Services, Mike Gemar; Director of Secondary Programs, L.T. Erickson, and Director of Elementary Programs, Teresa Jones; as well as interested patrons, employees, and the news media.

II. Pledge of Allegiance - The Board of Trustees stood and recited the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

III. Procedural Matters Action Items:

1. Approval of Agenda (Additions and Deletions) - Chairman Jansen asked if there were any additions or deletions to the agenda. Superintendent Dobbs asked to remove B.1. Middle School AD Recommendation under Budget and Finance and add one early graduation request to letter O. in the consent calendar. Trustee Barron moved to approve the agenda as amended. Trustee McClintock seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

IV. Unscheduled Delegations (Audience to Address the Board) - Chairman Jansen asked if there was anyone wishing to address the Board. There was no one.

V. Consent Calendar - Trustee McClintock moved to approve the consent calendar which included: minutes from the November 14, 2016 meeting; board and school financial reports; monthly long term suspension report; contracts for private service providers: Center for Teacher Effectiveness, Silverback Learning Solutions, and Saulgill, LLC; new administrative contract for Ryan Ellsworth, as principal of the new South Hills Middle School; new teacher contract for Jennifer Holcomb; certified retirements for 2017-2018 school year: Carol Hill, Paula Schreiner, Pam Nielson, Carla Mingo, and Vicki Garrett; new classified employees: James Carlock, Deborah Baker, Michael Atwood, Cindy Crum, Ricky Box, Carol Katona, Amanda White, Jennifer Schutte, Nicole Swan, Susan Knight, Cindy Higbee, and Cindy Greaves; in district transfers for 2016-2017: Stephanie Leitch and David Thompson; classified
resignations from Luann Carroll, Hannah Meyerhoeffer, Amy Gillett, Laura Gines, and Melody Cameron; extra-curricular employees: Kelbee Marsh and Leah Holloway; extra-curricular resignations from Michaela Turner; student teacher request from Fallon Machado; request for alternative authorizations for Dacia Hunter and Jeffrey Bowman; district/university agreement with Carroll College; and early graduation requests from Carrigan Cantu, Kya Harris, and Dylan LaBlanc. The motion was seconded by Trustee Barron. Motion passed unanimously.

VI. Superintendent’s Report

A/B. Superintendent Dobbs announced the certified employee of the month from Lincoln Elementary School for the month of December as Kim Hansen, K-2nd special education teacher and certified employee of the month from Bridge Academy as Gwenda Lockwood, science teacher.

C/D. Superintendent Dobbs announced the classified employee of the month from Lincoln Elementary School as Percy Greene, head-custodian and classified employee of the month from Bridge Academy as Sarah Gabbard, paraeducator. Superintendent Dobbs read a brief resume’ and presented Ms. Hansen, Ms. Lockwood, Mr. Greene, and Ms. Gabbard each with a gift, plaque, and gift certificate to either Jaker’s or Anchor Bistro. Ms. Hansen, Ms. Lockwood, Mr. Greene, and Ms. Gabbard thanked the board for the honor.

E. Superintendent Dobbs announced that Twin Falls High School Drama class won the 2015 4A State Drama Championship. Congratulations James Haycock and students.

F. Twin Falls Senior Class Student Council Representatives, Matt Sato and Preston Hazen presented the Twin Falls High School Senior Class trip proposal to fly to Los Angeles, California. Trustee Barron moved to approve the Twin Falls High School Senior Trip as proposed. Trustee Babayan seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

G. Canyon Ridge High School Student Council Representatives, Davia Gutierrez, Lenci Smith, and Claire Oberg presented the Canyon Ridge High School Senior Class trip proposal to San Francisco, California. Trustee McClintock moved to approve the Canyon Ridge High School Senior Trip as proposed. Trustee Barron seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

VII. Instruction A. Information Items:

1. Superintendent Dobbs presented the 2017-2018 draft school district calendar for board consideration. The calendar could still change with the negotiations process. This will return next month for board action.

VII. Instruction B. Action Items: None

VIII. Budget & Finance A. Information Items:

1. Director of Fiscal Affairs, Bob Seaman presented the Budget Advisory Committee’s recommendation to go out for a $9,000,000 supplemental levy. The Budget Advisory Committee recommends approval of a four million five hundred thousand dollar ($4,500,000) levy for two years for a total of nine million dollars ($9,000,000). Without the support of this levy the district wouldn’t be able to maintain the programs it has in place. This amount is
approximately 10% of the district budget. Budget Advisory Committee is made up of district administrators, teachers, parents, students, and community members, and takes on the responsibility to advise the board on finance items such as supplemental levies, bond levies, and emergency levies. Mr. Seaman presented all the figures the Budget Advisory Committee considered when making this recommendation. The election will be March 14, 2017. This is also listed as an action item because of time constraints.

2. Director of Educational Technology & Operations, Brady Dickinson gave a brief update on the Magic Valley High School project and the cell tower conversion agreement with SBA. With this conversion no property is changing hands, this is a permanent easement giving SBA the right to have their equipment on our stadium light post. The $132,675.00 from the cell tower conversion will help fund the Magic Valley High School project.

VIII. Budget & Finance B. Action Items:

1. The board discussed lowering the amount of the levy to show some good will to our patrons that may be feeling some voter fatigue. After a long discussion and the reading of the resolution by title only, Trustee Babayan moved to approve the resolution calling for a supplemental levy as per Idaho Code 33-802(3) in the amount of four million two hundred fifty thousand dollar ($4,250,000) levy for two years for a total of eight million five hundred dollars ($8,500,000) for the purpose of paying all lawful expenses of maintaining and operating the District for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2017, and ending June 30, 2019. Trustee McClintock seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

2. After a brief discussion, Vice Chairman Matsuoka moved to approve the cell tower conversion easement with SBA as presented. Trustee McClintock seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

IX. Personnel A. Information Items:

1. Director of Federal Programs, Policy and Grants, Bill Brulotte shared the fall quarterly ISBA and administrative policy manual update recommendations. These will return next month for action.

2. The Board reviewed the timeline and set dates for meetings needed during the new superintendent search process.

IX. Personnel B. Action Items: None

X. Board Goals A. Information Items:

1. The board reviewed and modified the draft agenda for their January 25, 2017 board work session.

X. Board Goals B. Action Items: None

XI. Future Agenda Items:

A. No second meeting in December.
B. The next board meeting is scheduled for January 9, 2017.
C. The Board discussed who would attend Day on the Hill event in February.

XII. Executive Session

With no further business at hand, Vice Chairman Matsuoka moved that the Board retire into executive session after a five-minute break as per Idaho Code 74-206(1) subsection (b) to consider the evaluation, dismissal or disciplining of, or to hear complaints or charges brought against, a public officer, employee, staff member or individual agent, or public school student. Trustee McClintock seconded the motion. Chairman Jansen asked the Clerk Michelle Lucas to poll the board. Roll call vote was as follows: Chairman Bernie Jansen – Yes, Vice Chairman Bryan Matsuoka – Yes, Trustee Mary Barron – Yes, Trustee Paul McClintock – Yes, and Trustee Liyah Babayan – Yes. Motion carried. The Board convened into executive session at 9:16 p.m. 9:16 p.m. to 9:18 p.m. the Board discussed personnel issue; 9:18 p.m. to 9:23 p.m. the Board discussed student expulsions. Trustee McClintock moved to return to open session. Trustee Barron seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously. The time was 9:23 p.m.

Vice Chairman Matsuoka moved to uphold administrative leave without pay and termination for classified employee “A” as presented. Trustee McClintock seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

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Vice Chairman Matsuoka moved to adjourn the meeting and Trustee Barron seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously. Meeting adjourned at 9:24 p.m.

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Clerk, Michelle Lucas

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