

TWIN FALLS PUBLIC SCHOOLS

School District No. 411

201 MAIN AVENUE WEST

TWIN FALLS, IDAHO

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January 25, 2017

5:00 p.m.

- 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 5:00 p.m., on Wednesday, January 25, 2017. The following trustees were present: Chairman Bernie Jansen, Vice-Chairman Bryan Matsuoka, Trustees Paul McClintock, and Mary Barron. There were also present Superintendent, Wiley J. Dobbs; Board Clerk, Michelle Lucas; Director of Federal Programs, Policy/Grants, Bill Brulotte; Director of Human Resources, Shannon Swafford; Director of Fiscal Affairs, Bob Seaman; Director of Elementary Programs, Teresa Jones; Director of Secondary Programs, L.T. Erickson and Director of Educational Technology/Operations, Brady Dickinson; Director of Support Services, Mike Gemar; as well as interested patrons, employees, and media. Trustee Liyah Babayan was unable to attend.
- II. Pledge of Allegiance - The Board of Trustees stood and recited the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.
- III. Procedural Matters Action Items:

Approval of Agenda (Additions and Deletions) – Chairman Jansen asked if there were any additions or deletions to the agenda. There was none. Trustee McClintock moved to approve the agenda with the addition of the emergency day request to the consent calendar because of time constraints. Trustee Barron 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: approval of new classified employee for 2016-2017 school year Jerelyn Duttlinger; in-district transfers for Chelsea Wadsworth and Cassidy Weatherford; classified resignations from Elvia Galvan, Ronald Rose, Douglas Burch, and Mara Dean; extra-curricular employees: Michelle Glass and Nate Losser; extra-curricular resignations from Whitney Cook and Mark Schaal; and the emergency closure for January 24, 2017. The motion was seconded by Trustee Barron. Motion passed unanimously.

VI. Superintendent's Report

Superintendent Dobbs recognized and presented Lori Reith, Carol Hill, Tammy Rodabaugh, and Annie Goodall with a plaque and banner from USDA for earning the Silver USDA Healthier US Schools Award.

VII. Teacher Report to the Board on the Math Adoption and Pilot

Director of Elementary Programs, Teresa Jones; Pillar Falls Elementary School Principal, Nancy Murphy, and Teachers Ange Henning, Steve Rahe, and Kay Crittenden presented information on the current elementary math pilot. All elementary schools are piloting both Bridges and Eureka programs, with 42 teachers participating. Ms. Henning, Mr. Rahe, and Ms. Crittenden shared a brief description of both programs and what they thought of each program. The timeline shared indicated that these would return to the board for board action in May 2017.

Director of Secondary Programs, L.T. Erickson, and Teachers Peggy Hoy, Shannon Greene and Samantha Mauch presented information on the middle schools math pilot. Ms. Hoy, Ms. Mauch, and Ms. Greene shared an overview of the two piloted programs, Ready Common Core and Connected Mathematics 3. They shared a brief description of each program, their planned timeline and gave pros and cons for each program. This should return for board action June 2017.

VIII. Elementary Standards Based Report Card Pilot

Director of Elementary Programs, Teresa Jones; Rock Creek Elementary School Principal, Shari Cowger and 5th Grade Teacher, Julie Delia shared this year's standards based report card process, and status update. This year there are 129 teachers piloting the report cards; 100 more than last year. Next year is planned for full implementation for all elementary schools to be using the standards based report cards.

IX. Supplemental Levy Presentation

Superintendent Dobbs shared the Supplemental Levy Presentation with the Board. As a reminder the Supplemental Levy amount is four million two hundred fifty thousand dollars (\$4,250,000), each year for two years for a total of eight million five hundred thousand dollars (\$8,500,000). Dr. Dobbs will share this presentation with approximately 50 different groups and schools to help get the word out to vote. The need to pass this levy is huge; this is thought of as a survival levy because without it the District will have to look at cutting approximately 10% from the budget. The election is March 14, 2017; polls are open from 8:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. There will be a public meeting February 21, 2017 at 7:00 p.m. at Pillar Falls Elementary School.

X. Strategic Plan Tasks Update

Director of Public Relations, Eva Craner highlighted the status of a few of the 2016-17 board tasks within the 2015-2020 Strategic Plan.

XI. Leadership Premiums Committee Update

Director of Elementary Programs, Teresa Jones and Director of Secondary Programs, L.T. Erickson shared the number of proposals received and where the leadership premiums are being applied this year.

XII. Middle School Reconfiguration

Director of Secondary Programs, L.T. Erickson updated the Board on the Middle School Reconfiguration process. Switching from two middle schools to three will require some shifting of teachers and support staff. Discussions and planning began in June 2016. Student enrollment has been projected based on where students lived when this process started. The Middle School Reconfiguration Committee will continue to meet to prepare for opening of South Hills Middle School.

XIII. Superintendent Search Update

Chairman Bernie Jansen gave a brief update on the superintendent search. ISBA has informed us that they have received 5 applicants thus far. Application deadline is February 10, 2017 at 5:00 p.m. Next step is for the Board to review applications on February 18, 2017.

XIV. Future Agenda Items

- A. Day on the Hill is scheduled for February 20 and 21, 2017 in Boise. Chairman Jansen asked for a bulleted list of talking points on hot topics. Next breakfast meeting is scheduled for February 21, 2017 when a few people will be attending Day on the Hill; it may need to be rescheduled. Peggy Hoy will look at dates and get back with Dr. Dobbs.

XV. Executive Session

Since there was no other business to come before the Board, Trustee McClintock moved that the Board retire into executive session after a five minute break as per Idaho Code 74-206(1) subsection (b) student discipline and personnel issues. Trustee Barron seconded the motion. Chairman Jansen asked the Clerk Michelle Lucas to poll the board. Roll call vote is as follows:

Chairman Bernie Jansen - Yes

Vice Chairman Bryan Matsuoka - Yes

Trustee Mary Barron - Yes

Trustee Paul McClintock – Yes

Motion carried. The Board convened into executive session at 6:49 p.m.

Trustee McClintock moved to go out of executive session. Trustee Barron seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously. The Board opened to the public at 7:00 p.m.

Trustee McClintock moved to uphold the hearing officer's recommendation to expel one (1) student from the Twin Falls School District #411 for an indefinite period and that this student be expelled from school as defined in Idaho Code 33-205 and that this student be placed under the purview of the

Juvenile Correction Act, Idaho Code 20-510 and 20-511. Trustee Barron seconded the motion and motion passed unanimously.

Trustee McClintock moved to accept administrations recommendation to place classified employees A and B on administrative leave without pay and terminate classified employee C. Vice Chairman Matsuoka seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

Trustee McClintock moved to adjourn the meeting, Vice Chairman Matsuoka seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously. Meeting adjourned at 7:01 p.m.


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Clerk, Michelle Lucas

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