## TWIN FALLS PUBLIC SCHOOLS

## **School District No. 411**

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March 18, 2020 7:00 p.m.

- I. Call to Order at 7:00 p.m. The Board of Trustees of Twin Falls School District 411, Twin Falls County, State of Idaho, met in its regular monthly meeting at Bridge Academy in room #5 located at 616 Eastland Drive, Twin Falls, Idaho, at the hour of 7:00 p.m., on Wednesday, March 18, 2020. The following trustees were present: Chairman Bryan Matsuoka, Trustees Paul McClintock, Heidi Casdorph (via Zoom), Jayson Lloyd (via Zoom), and Jonathan Lord (via Zoom). There were also present Superintendent, Brady Dickinson; Board Clerk, Michelle Lucas; Associate Superintendent, Bill Brulotte; and district directors.
- <u>II.</u> <u>Pledge of Allegiance</u> The Board of Trustees stood and recited the Pledge of Allegiance.
- III. Procedural Matters Action Items:
- 1. Approval of Agenda (Additions and Deletions) Chairman Matsuoka asked if there were any additions or deletions to the agenda. There were none. Vice Chairman McClintock moved to approve the agenda as proposed. Trustee Lloyd seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.
- <u>IV.</u> Unscheduled Delegations (Audience to Address the Board) Chairman Matsuoka asked if there was anyone wishing to address the Board. There was no one.
- V. Consent Calendar Vice Chairman McClintock moved to approve the consent calendar which included: transfer/promotion of administrator contract Michelle Brewer as principal of Bickel Elementary School; certified retirements for 2020-2021 school year: Paula Perry, Benita Remaley, Allyn Reynolds, and Cindy English; certified resignations from Diane Nelson, Samantha Ahern, Misty Olson-Roche, and Julie Blick; new classified employee: Jessica Solano; classified transfer: Tammy Craig; classified retirement for 2020-2021 school year: Sandra Rayborn; classified resignation for the 2020-2021 school year: Christy Hulme; extra-curricular employee: Jennifer Vance; and extra-curricular resignations for 2020-2021 school year: Julie Delia, Allyn Reynolds as head varsity football coach and athletic trainer. Trustee Lloyd seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

## VI. Building Board Reports

1. Principal of Bridge Academy, Jim Brown shared his building goals, growth indicators, a few challenges and followed up with some bright spots for Bridge Academy. His building report was included in the board packet. Dr. Brown shared a few bright spots which included their SWIP plan, comprehensive support and improvement, and having 7 hour para professionals. He also added that one challenge is not having a teacher for math 180 interventions. Dr.

Brown stood for questions, then thanked the board for the opportunity to share information about his school.

- 2. Principal of O'Leary Middle School, Ace Marcellus (via Zoom) shared his building goals, growth towards goals, instructional focus/priorities, school improvement initiatives, interventions, leadership premium usage, some bright spots and challenges for O'Leary Middle School. His building report was included in the board packet. A couple bright spots Mr. Marcellus shared are that 98.5% of attempted credits were earned, and O'Leary earned 1st place in the state MathCounts Competition. After a few minutes of roundtable discussion with the Board, Mr. Marcellus thanked the board for the opportunity to share information about his school.
- 3. Principal of South Hills Middle School, Ryan Ellsworth (via Zoom) shared his building goals, growth towards goals, instructional focus/priorities, school improvement initiatives, interventions, leadership premium usage, some bright spots and challenges for South Hills Middle School. A bright spot Mr. Ellsworth shared was that having a young staff, they are motivated, and hungry to find solutions to help students. His building report was included in the board packet. After a few minutes of discussion with the Board, Mr. Ellsworth thanked the board for the opportunity to share information about his school.
- 4. Principal of Robert Stuart Middle School, Amy McBride (via Zoom) shared her building goals, growth towards goals, instructional focus/priorities, school improvement initiatives, interventions, leadership premium usage, some bright spots and challenges. Mrs. McBride shared a few bright spots are that Robert Stuart is a Leadership Academy, a "Leader In Me" school, and that their special education students scored above district and state averages in math. Robert Stuart's building report was included in the board packet. After a few minutes of discussion with the Board, Mrs. McBride thanked the board for the opportunity to share information about her school.

## VII. COVID-19 Update

Superintendent Dickinson shared updated COVID-19 information with the board. He updated the board on why the decision was made to have emergency closures this week. Administration has been working with teachers to make sure they are ready to roll. He added that teachers in Twin Falls School District are remarkable, and things are in place to start online instruction on March 30th if that's the decision. Administration will have to figure out how to provide services to special education students, the district has to provide IEP services, somehow. The decision to either keep going with online or to start school back up will be made weekly on Thursdays. The District will be providing 4 hours of instruction per day so we will get full ADA count of 1 FTE per student. Teachers and staff have really stepped up and are making it all come together. Because of the Coronavirus recommendations from the governor, CDC, and state department of education the attendance zone community meetings have been canceled, so we are postponing the re-zoning decisions. When the committee gets back together, they will need to go back and re-evaluate some of the numbers etc. Next year should be o.k., however some buildings will be very close to maximum capacity. The district will be opening up the kitchens, to provide students with breakfast and lunch bags starting March 30th if we remain closed. Breakfast and lunch bags will be picked up at the same time so parents won't have to make two trips. The technology department is still fine tuning internet access, and a checkout process for devices for students that need them. Superintendent Dickinson stated that his goal is to continue through this process as transparent as possible with open communication at each step. Dr. Dickinson thanked board

for their support and stood for questions. If any attendance zone issues or concerns come up, please direct them to Dr. Dickinson.

<u>VIII</u>. Vice Chairman McClintock moved to adjourn the meeting and Trustee Lord seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously and meeting adjourned at 8:11 p.m.

Chairman Bryan Matsuoka

ATTEST:

Clerk, Michelle Lucas