# TWIN FALLS SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 411 SCHOOL BOARD MEETING

**Special Board Meeting** 

**HELD AT: Twin Falls School District Office** 

201 Main Ave. West, Twin Falls, Idaho And: VIRTUALLY AT:

www.tfsd.org for link to Zoom Meeting:

https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86882895409?pwd=Q29hT3pqUGxiOFVvYUhSQ2dWM1JvUT09

or Dial (669) 900 6833 or (253) 215 8782

Meeting ID: 868 8289 5409/Passcode: 047182

October 23, 2020 (Updated 10-22-20)

7:30 a.m.

## NOTICE AND AGENDA

- I. Call to Order Action
- II. Procedural Matters
  - A. Action Items:
    - 1. Approval of Agenda
- III. Instruction
  - A. Information Items:
    - 1. COVID Protocol Schedule Designation
  - **B.** Action Items:
    - 1. COVID Protocol Schedule Designation
    - 2. Board Meetings Virtual vs. In-Person
- IV. Adjournment Action

Michelle Lucas Clerk of the Board

**POSTED: October 21, 2020 (updated 10-22-20)** 

Administration Office TFSD Website Faxed to Media

### Rationale for the recommendation to stay in the Orange Schedule 10/23/20

South Central Public Health supports remaining in orange as a school system for now.
 During the Board meeting on October 9th where the decision was made to go orange,
 SCPHD recommended the district assess the situation after two incubation periods
 (roughly 4 weeks). As of today, we have been in orange for eight days. According to
 Logan Hudson at the SCPHD:

SCPHD supports the TFSD's decision to stay in the orange designation based on the following:

Since TFSD has implemented mandatory face coverings in its building and is in a hybrid model, in which approximately ½ of the students are in the building at any given time, SCPHD feels the risk of transmission in the classroom setting is low.

In addition, there is a lack of a body of evidence to suggest closing schools will decrease community case rates of COVID-19. Given this, and the evidence to suggest going to entire virtual learning may lead to decreased student achievement, SCPHD supports the decision to stay in a hybrid model of learning. The hybrid model was just implemented last week and at that time, SCPHD recommended reevaluating case counts and rates after at least two incubation periods have passed (4 weeks). This recommendation hasn't changed.

Please contact me if you have any questions or concerns.

Thanks,

Logan Hudson, MN, RN Public Health Division Administrator South Central Public Health District 1020 Washington St. N. Twin Falls, ID 83301 (208) 737-5929

- The TFSD Reopening Plan states that changes to the operational level will be based on school/community and will be in consultation with SCPHD. Remaining in orange would not contradict our plan as it is in line with the SCPHD's recommendation.
- 3. On 10/21/20 the Idaho State Board of Education revised the Idaho Back to School Framework to include use of the hybrid model during the red risk level. This change to the state level plan illustrates the growing body of knowledge related to how the virus is spreading in communities and schools.

- 4. Spread within the schools appears to be less than that within the community. Based on contract tracing, and in consultation with the SCPHD, it does not appear our schools have experienced critical rates of uncontrolled community spread. This is likely due to our diligence with face coverings and other safety measures.
- 5. The change to orange protocols just took effect a little over a week ago. This change allows for more consistent social distancing in addition to the already required face coverings. Allowing some time to see what kind of impact the change has within the school system before moving to red protocols makes sense given it appears we don't have uncontrolled spread within our schools at this time. The numbers will be closely monitored over the coming week(s).

### Data for the week of 10/23/20

Student cases: 2

Staff cases (Certified, Classified, and Administrative): 10\*

Cases with unknown origin: 6

Connected cases (staff to staff transmission): 4

Staff out due to being sick, having a sick family member, or being highly exposed: 53

\*Based on research conducted this week on where transmission occurred prior to moving to orange, it is estimated that approximately 20% of staff cases likely originated from contact at school or from a school related activity (difficult to confirm with 100% certainty as many have unknown origin). Because COVID is now prevalent throughout the community there will likely be even more cases from an unknown origin.

# PUBLIC NOTICE: SCHEDULE OF REGULAR MEETINGS OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF TWIN FALLS SCHOOL DISTRICT 411, TWIN FALLS, IDAHO

**Updated: 10-1-20** 

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the regular meetings of the Board of Trustees of the above named school district will hold regular Board meetings *January 2020- through January 2021* the second Monday and the fourth Wednesday of each month, with the exception of May, June, August, November, December, at 7:00 p.m. at **Roper Auditorium**, located at 1615 Filer Avenue East, Twin Falls, Idaho, **unless otherwise specified below** or unless the Board duly cancels any such regular meeting or, by resolution, changes the uniform day of the uniform week designated for regular meetings of the Board. This action represents a change of the formerly adopted schedule of regular meetings and supersedes said former schedule.

The district will adhere to the following dates unless unexpected conflicts occur. Any date changes will have prior approval of the board and notice of changes will be announced.

January 13, 2020 Organizational/Annual Meeting	August 10, 2020 (& Online-See Website)
5:00 p.m. January 22, 2020-Work Session	September 14, 2020 **(Roper & Online-See Website)
February 10, 2020 @ Pillar Falls	5:00 p.m. September 23, 2020-Work Session (CRHS)
February 26, 2020 @ Morningside	October 12, 2020 @ Roper Auditorium
March 9, 2020	October 28, 2020 @ Roper Auditorium
March 18, 2020 (3rd Wed.) @ Bridge	November 9, 2020 @ Roper Auditorium
April 13, 2020 (Online-See Website)	December 14, 2020 @ Roper Auditorium
April 22, 2020 (Online-See Website)	January 11, 2021 Organizational/Annual Meeting @
May 11, 2020 (Online-See Website)	CRHS Auditorium

<sup>\*</sup>July 13, 2020 Annual Budget Hearing (online see www.tfsd.org Website for Zoom link)

Michelle Lucas Clerk, Board of Trustees

June 8, 2020 (Online-See Website)

POSTED: January 14, 2020 \*\*Updated 10-1-20 Administration Office TFSD Website Faxed to Media

<sup>\*5:00</sup> p.m. July 27, 2020-Regular July Meeting and Board Work Session