

TWIN FALLS PUBLIC SCHOOLS

School District No. 411

201 MAIN AVENUE WEST

TWIN FALLS, IDAHO

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MINUTES

April 10, 2023

7:00 p.m.

- I. Call to Order - The Board of Trustees of School District No. 411, Twin Falls County, State of Idaho, met in its properly noticed/posted, regular monthly meeting at Twin Falls School District Boardroom located at 160 Gooding Street West, Twin Falls, Idaho, at the hour of 7:00 p.m., on Monday, April 10, 2023. The following trustees were present: Chairman Jonathan Lord; Vice Chairman Jayson Lloyd; Trustees, Heidi Tubbs, and Eric Smallwood. There were also present Superintendent of Schools, Brady D. Dickinson; Board Clerk, Michelle Lucas; Associate Superintendent, Bill Brulotte; as well as directors, interested patrons, employees, and the news media. Trustee Heidi Casdorph was unable to attend.
- II. Pledge of Allegiance - The Board of Trustees stood and recited the Pledge of Allegiance.
- III. Procedural Matters Action Items
 1. Approval of Agenda – Chairman Lord asked if there were any additions or deletions to the agenda. There were none. Vice Chairman Lloyd moved to approve the agenda as posted. Trustee Tubbs seconded the motion, motion carried.
- IV. Unscheduled Delegations (Audience to Address the Board) – Chairman Lord asked if there was anyone wishing to address the Board. There were none.
- V. Consent Calendar – Trustee Tubbs moved to approve the consent calendar which included: minutes from March 8, 10, and 29, 2023 meetings; board financial reports; building financial reports; accounts payables and payroll; private service provider contracts/other: Safe and Civil Schools; Playworks, and Karla Lucas – consultant; administrative contract for Ryan Nesmith as associate superintendent; certified retirements for Sheri Remming, Robin Lancaster, and Lila Atkins; certified resignations from Loraine Jordan, Jeanie Cullip, Valarie Corbella, Zachary Reichenberger, Chris Harrington, Sharon Finco, Joseph Hawkes, Behn Ramerani, Jenny Holt, Deborah Metts, and Emily Bystry; extra-curricular supplemental contracts for Darcie DeLeon, and Chris Harrington; extra- curricular resignations from Jade Garcia and Stormy Heinz; early graduation request for Emily Tran at Twin Falls High School; and extended out-of-state travel request for Canyon Ridge High School BPA. The motion was seconded by Vice Chairman Lloyd. Motion passed unanimously.

VI. Superintendent's Report

- A/B. Superintendent Dickinson announced the certified employee of the month for the month of April, from Perrine Elementary School as Lori Hinton, ELL teacher and from Rock Creek Elementary School, Shari Cowger, principal. Superintendent Dickinson announced the classified employees of the month from Perrine Elementary School as Marisol Jimenez, safety aid and from Rock Creek Elementary School, Wendy Maughan, paraeducator. Superintendent Dickinson read a brief resume' about each recipient and presented them with a gift, plaque, and gift certificate to Twin Falls Sandwich Company.
- C. Superintendent Dickinson shared information that the District Administration Team decided to switch banking institutions to First Federal Bank from U.S. Bank and stood for questions.

VII. Instruction A. Information Items:

1. District Department Lead for Language Arts, Mr. J.D. Davis and Director of Secondary Programs, L.T. Erickson presented on the process, rationale and selection of the 2023 English Language Arts Curriculum Adoption. It has been 17 years since this curriculum has changed. The committee has worked for two years to hone in on aligning adoption goals and purpose with the District vision, mission and policies in mind. The committee narrowed the selection down to two companies and after presentations from these companies Savvas, My Perspectives was the clear winner. This will be a 1-3 year implementation to make sure all current and future content teachers are trained on the curriculum. Parent and teacher committee members shared their thoughts on the curriculum with the Board. Mr. Davis and Dr. Erickson stood for questions from the Board and thanked them for their time. This item will return next month for Board action.

VII. Instruction B. Action Items: None

VIII. Budget & Finance A. Information Items:

1. Director of Operations, Ryan Bowman gave a brief explanation for the proposed Facilities Use Fee Increases and stood for questions. The fee increases range from 8.6% to 11% and are due to increases in costs for personnel, maintenance, power, and wear and tear on gym floors, etc.

VIII. Budget & Finance B. Action Items:

1. After a brief discussion on the proposed fee increases, Chairman Lord opened the, properly published, public hearing for public comment: There were no public comments from patrons, community members or employees. With no patrons wishing to address the Board, Trustee Smallwood moved to increase the facility use fees consistent with what is in the packet, as proposed. Vice Chairman Lloyd seconded the motion, motion carried.
- 2./3. Vice Chairman Lloyd moved to set the 2023-2024 Budget Hearing for July 12, 2023 at 7:05 p.m. and the 2022-2023 Amended Budget Hearing for July 12, 2023 at 7:15 p.m. Trustee Smallwood seconded the motion, motion carried.

IX. Personnel A. Information Items:

1. Most recent classified personnel new hires, retirements, and resignations were shared with the Board.
2. Superintendent Dickinson shared his 2022-2023 Superintendent Goal Report and stood for questions. He shared his progress towards each goal and how each goal aligns with the strategic plan in the categories of: expanded opportunities for students, improved student achievement, fiscally responsible, school connection, modern facilities, effective use of shared leadership, and quality personnel. After some discussion, Superintendent Dickinson thanked the Board for the opportunity to share the updates on his goals and get feedback from them.
3. Annual review policies 8170 District-Owned Vehicles; and 8300 Emergency & Disaster Preparedness were reviewed and listed as information items only because no revisions were recommended.
4. Community Relations Director, Eva Craner shared revision recommendations to policies/procedures: **Administrative Updates:** 1500 Board Meetings, 5413 Witness for Court Appearance, 8170P District-Owned Vehicles, 8300P Crisis Evacuation and Lockdown Drills NEW, 8320 Fire Drills and Fire Evacuation Plans, 8320P Fire Drills, Rules and Procedures NEW TITLE, 8520 Inspection of School Facilities, 9850 Rental Use of School Facilities, and 9850P Rental Schedule and Agreement. These policies and procedures will return next month for board action.

IX. Personnel B. Action Items:

1. After a few brief questions on the policy/procedure recommendations from last month, Vice Chairman Lloyd moved to approve the following policies/procedures as proposed: **Administrative Updates:** 3346 Restraint or Seclusion of a Student, 3530 Suicide, and 5401P Sick Leave and Sick Leave Bank. Trustee Smallwood seconded the motion, motion carried.

X. Board Goals A. Information Items:

1. The Board discussed and gave input for the Community Partner in Education nomination suggestions. In order to keep it a secret and surprise the recipients with recognition at the high school graduation ceremonies the Board asked administration to make the final choice.

X. Board Goals B. Action Items: NoneXI. Future Agenda Items:

- A. Education Law Institute is April 24th and 25th in Boise, the entire Board is scheduled to attend. The Board discussed carpooling arrangements.
- B. Superintendent, Dickinson informed the Board that at the April 26, 2023 board meeting Mr. Ace Marcellus, Principal at O'Leary Middle School; Ms. Amy McBride, Principal at Robert Stuart Middle School; Ms. Araceli Huicochea, Principal at Bridge Academy; Ms. Sara

Praegitzer, Principal at South Hills Middle School; and Kasey Teske, Principal at Canyon Ridge High School will be with us to present their building summaries and to participate in a discussion with the Board.

XII. Executive Session

Since there was no other business to come before the Board, Trustee Smallwood moved that after a five-minute break the Board retire into executive session as per Idaho Code 74-206(1) subsections (b) to consider the evaluation, dismissal or disciplining of employees, staff members and public school students; (d) to consider records that are exempt from disclosure as provided in chapter 1, title 74, Idaho Code; and (j) to discuss labor contract matters authorized under section 74-206 (1)(a) and (b), Idaho Code. Vice Chairman Lloyd seconded the motion. Chairman Lord asked the Clerk Michelle Lucas to verbally poll the Board.


Roll call vote was as follows: Chairman, Jonathan Lord – Yes; Vice Chairman, Jayson Lloyd – Yes; Trustee, Heidi Tubbs – Yes; Trustee, Eric Smallwood – Yes. With 2/3rd of the Boards governing body voting yes, motion carried. The Board convened into executive session after a short break from 8:39 p.m. to 8:45 p.m.

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Superintendent Dickinson's evaluation was discussed from 9:03 p.m. to 9:10 p.m. The meeting opened to the public at 9: 10 p.m.

Trustee Smallwood moved to adjourn the meeting. Trustee Tubbs seconded the motion and the motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 9:11 p.m.


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Clerk Michelle Lucas

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