

LAPWAI SCHOOL DISTRICT #341
School Board Minutes
Regular Meeting
May 15, 2017

The Board of Trustees of School District #341 met in regular session in the Board Room of the District Office. Board Chair Samuels-Allen called the meeting to order at 5:04 p.m. The board led those in attendance in the Pledge of Allegiance. Roll Call was made, present were Trustees Samuels-Allen, Meisner and Bell. Trustee Garcia arrived at 5:07. Trustee Johnson was absent. Board Chair Samuels-Allen presided at the meeting. Also attending was Superintendent Aiken and Clerk Weeks. There were 7 in the audience, among those were Lori Ravet, Teri Wagner, D'Lisa Penney-Pinkham, Becky Finnell, Rebecca Cardenas-Cooley, Celeste Polk, and Britnee Lussoro.

After some inquires, Trustee Bell moved and Trustee Meisner seconded that the consent agenda be approved as presented. The consent agenda included meeting minutes, payment of bills as presented, budget report, balance sheet, and ASB accounts. A vote was taken and the motion passed.

Becky Finnell and Rebecca Cardenas-Cooley gave a presentation on English Language Arts Professional Learning Community in the Elementary School. Growth in student reading skills was covered in detail including data examination along with instructional and intervention strategies. Growth is compared among students in the school and outside the school.

Principal Penney-Pinkham talked about the end of the school year activities including graduation. Seniors Britnee Lusorro and Celeste Polk told the board about plans for the graduation ceremony. Among those were using non-traditional music selections such as "Stand By Me", "Celebration", and "Soul Train." The trustees appreciated the creativity and the consensus was to individually support their choices.

Superintendent Aiken highlighted items from the post-legislative road show. He shared a class picture of current seniors when he was their third grade teacher.

Trustee Garcia left the meeting at 5:58pm.

Principal Wagner talked about elementary student achievement progress and applying for an extension to the School Improvement Grant.

Special Education Director Ravet said that numbers have remained about the same, some have exited and a few new students have entered. She also responded to some inquiries from the board regarding specific items.

The unscheduled delegation listed on the agenda did not attend the board meeting.

An out-of-state field trip to the Nez Perce Language Bowl in Pendleton was presented to the board for approval. Trustee Bell moved and Trustee Meisner seconded to approve the field trip. A vote was taken and the motion passed.

The First Reading of the following new policies was held.

- Policy 803.5 – Purchasing Under a Federal Award
- Policy 803.6 – Procurement Under a Federal Award
- Policy 803.3F – Time & Effort Documentation
- Policy 803.7 – Allowable Uses for Grant Funds
- Policy 803.8 – Travel Expenses Under a Federal Award
- Policy 803.9 – Federal Cash Management

A discussion was held about whether or not to have a second reading. The policies will be brought back for a second reading in June.

The following personnel actions were presented to the board. Superintendent Aiken gave some background on the items as well.

Resignation – CBRS – Sarah Robinson
– CBRS – Tyson Nickerson

New Hire – Elementary Teacher – 2017-2018 – Melissa Tabor
– Elementary Para-Professional – 2017-2018 – Shaunty Rashidi
– Custodian – Brenda Tannahill

Trustee Bell moved and Trustee Meisner seconded to approve the personnel actions as presented. A vote was taken and the motion passed.

Trustee Bell moved and Trustee Meisner seconded to adjourn. A vote was taken and the motion passed.

Board Chair Samuels-Allen declared the meeting adjourned at 6:37pm.



Clerk



Board Chair