

LAPWAI SCHOOL DISTRICT #341

School Board Minutes

Regular Meeting

October 16, 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 5:00 p.m. The board then led those in attendance in the Pledge of Allegiance. Roll Call was made, present were Trustees Samuels-Allen, Bell, Johnson, and Kipp. The audience included Lori Ravet, D'Lisa Penney-Pinkham, and David Kronemann.

After a few questions, Trustee Kipp moved and Trustee Bell 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.

Jon McConville, representing the City of Lapwai, was on hand to notarize the signing of documents for the granting of a public easement for sidewalk improvements and a skateboard park. The board had previously approved moving forward with the skateboard park project and accompanying property easements. Documents were signed as required.

Steve Clack of Goffinet and Clack was on hand to present the audit report for the 2016-2017 fiscal year. Overall, the financial status of the district is good. Trustee Bell moved and Trustee Kipp seconded to accept the audit report. A vote was taken and the motion passed.

State Senator Dan Johnson was present to hear feedback regarding the school district and legislative priorities. Topics covered included funding and the increase in reporting requirements to the State. Senator Johnson requested the board members to feel free to contact him and other legislators with input and concerns.

Principal Pinkham touched on activities in the Middle/High School. The end of the first quarter is next week. Homecoming activities are in full swing this week.

Special Education Director Ravet talked about the numbers being down from last year to 105 students. This is an 18% decrease. There has been more emphasis on reporting discipline to aid in providing appropriate interventions.

Athletic Director Kronemann touched on the progress of the seasons of Football and Volleyball. Discussion was held with the board on upcoming senior nights and the upcoming basketball seasons.

Superintendent Aiken touched on his reports and activities. Highlighted was his recent trip along with District Administrative Assistant Connie Desjarlais and Trustee Bell to the NAFIS (National Association of Federally Impacted Schools) conference. Impact Aid funding is included with increases in both the House and Senate versions of the respective appropriation bills. Resolutions for the ISBA convention in November were discussed as well.

A trustee vacancy exists in Zone 5 after the resignation of Susan Meisner in August. Jackie McArthur of Lenore has submitted a letter of interest to fill the vacancy. Trustee Bell moved and Trustee Johnson seconded to appoint Jackie McArthur to fill the trustee vacancy in Zone 5. A vote was taken and the motion passed. She will be sworn in at the regular November meeting.

The First Reading of the following policy was held.

– Policy 204.5 – Indian Policies and Procedures for Impact Aid

The policy will be on the agenda for next month for a second reading. No action taken.

The Second Reading of the following policy was held.

– 406.4 – Volunteers / Coaches

A few more changes to the policy were proposed and discussed at length. The consensus was to bring the policy back for another reading next month. No action taken.

Trustee Kipp moved to enter executive session under Idaho Code Section 74-206 (1) (a) & (b). Trustee Johnson seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken with all trustees present voting aye at 7:33pm. The general tenor was discussion of personnel. Trustee Kipp moved and Trustee Johnson seconded to leave executive session. A vote was taken and the motion passed at 7:40pm.

The proposed new hire of Jack Yearout for Junior High Boys Basketball Coach was presented to the board. Trustee Kipp moved and Trustee Bell seconded to approve this new hire. A vote was taken and the motion passed.

The proposed new hire of Dave Penney as Native Youth Community Project Grant Director was presented to the board. Trustee Bell moved and Trustee Johnson seconded to approve this new hire. A vote was taken and the motion passed.

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

Board Chair Samuels-Allen declared the meeting adjourned at 7:42pm.



Clerk



Board Chair