

LAPWAI SCHOOL DISTRICT #341
School Board Minutes
Regular Meeting
April 16, 2018

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 5:07 pm. The Board then led those in attendance in the Pledge of Allegiance. Roll Call was made, present were Trustees Samuels-Allen, Bell, and Kipp. Trustees Johnson and McArthur were absent. Also attending was Superintendent Aiken. The audience included D’Lisa Penney-Pinkham, Teri Wagner, Lori Ravet, Josh Nellesen, Isaac Ford, Heeweske Wisdom, Victoria Weaskus, and David Kronemann.

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.

Principal Wagner talked about recent conferences, and that attendance has improved with the completion of State basketball tournaments.

Principal Pinkham presented three seniors: Heewekse Wisdom, Victoria Weaskus, Co-Valedictorians, and Isaac Ford, Salutatorian. Each talked about their plans to go to college and their success at Lapwai High School. Principal Pinkham also talked about students attending the BPA national conference in Dallas.

Special Education Director Ravet gave light comments on her report.

Athletic Director Kronemann reviewed his report which included the progress with the start of baseball and softball season. Also a recap of state tournament expenses was given. He also presented a PowerPoint regarding coaching salaries at Lapwai and the region.

Superintendent Aiken lightly touched on items in his report, emphasizing the impact of the less than optimal attendance of Middle/High School students and efforts to address that.

Two calendars for the 2018-2019 school year was presented to the board. The preferred Calendar A would schedule school to start on August 28, 2018 and end on June 6, 2019. Trustee Bell moved to approve Calendar A. Trustee Kipp seconded the motion. A vote was taken and the motion passed.

The First Reading of the following policies were presented to the Board.

- Delete Policy 605.4 – Graduation Requirements
- Revise Policy 504.4 – Valedictorian, Salutatorian Selection
- Revise Policy 502.9 – Non-Resident Students
- Delete Policy 502.10 – Non-Resident Attendance Contract

The policies will be on the agenda next month. No action taken.

Victoria Weaskus has completed requirements to graduate a year early. With the advanced learning opportunities that are now available, this will likely become more commonplace. Board policy currently requires the Board to approve an early request to graduate. Trustee Bell moved and Trustee Kipp seconded to approve the request to allow Victoria Weaskus to graduate early. A vote was taken and the motion passed.

The candidates for Valedictorian and Salutatorian were presented to the board as follows.

Co-Valedictorian – Heeweske Wisdom
Co-Valedictorian – Victoria Weaskus
Salutatorian – Isaac Ford

Trustee Kipp moved and Trustee Bell seconded to approve the selections as presented. A vote was taken and the motion passed.

A proposal to trade in two of the oldest buses for a new bus was presented to the Board. The proposal for a 54-passenger bus is based on a “piggyback” of a bus purchased by Whitepine School District. Trustee Bell moved and Trustee Kipp seconded to approve the \$82,723.52 purchase of a 2018 Integrated CE S 54-passenger bus from Harlow’s Bus Sales, Inc. and trade in two buses. A vote was taken and the motion passed.

The Audit Engagement with Goffinet and Clack for the 2017-2018 Fiscal Year was presented to the Board. Trustee Bell moved and Trustee Kipp seconded to approve the \$10,925 Audit Engagement Letter as presented. A vote was taken and the motion passed.

Recently, the status of Impact Aid funding became known with the total received being nearly \$500,000 higher than expected. Negotiations for the 2017-2018 school year were reopened as was agreed last year when Impact Aid Funding was very uncertain. Agreement was reached to provide a 4% increase to the base and salary schedules. The increase will be paid out in the May paycheck. Trustee Bell moved and Trustee Kipp seconded to approve the updated 2017-2018 Master Agreement. A vote was taken and the motion passed.

The following personnel items were presented to the board.

New Hire – Football Coach – Josh Leighton
– Assistant Football Coach – Tuianna Moliga
– Science Teacher – Jake Genthos

One item, New Hire, Assistant Football Coach – Tuianna Moliga, was placed on the agenda before full completion of the hiring process. Trustee Kipp moved and Trustee Bell seconded to postpone a decision on the hire of the assistant football coach until the hiring process is completed. A vote was taken and the motion passed.

Trustee Bell moved and Trustee Kipp seconded to approve the following new hires.

New Hire – Football Coach – Josh Leighton
– Science Teacher – Jake Genthos

A vote was taken and the motion passed.

Training options that are offered by the Idaho School Boards Association were discussed. One highlight was that the Summer Leadership Institute will be held at our school again in July.

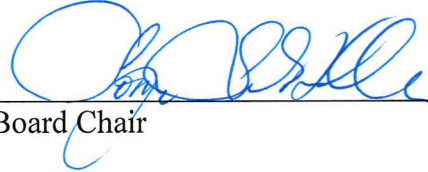
Some discussion was had about the scheduling of the next regular meeting in May. All consulted their calendars and it appeared that the normal date of the third Monday of the month, the 21st, would work.

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

Board Chair Samuels-Allen declared the meeting adjourned at 7:48 pm.



Clerk



Board Chair