

LAPWAI SCHOOL DISTRICT #341
School Board Minutes
Regular Meeting
January 17, 2024

The Board of Trustees of School District #341 met in regular session in the Board Room of the District Office. Clerk Weeks called the meeting to order at 5:04 p.m.

Clerk Weeks administered the Oath of Office to Thunder Garcia, newly reappointed Trustee for Zone 5.

The board then led those in attendance in the Pledge of Allegiance. Roll Call was made, present were Trustees Samuels-Allen, Johnson, Spaulding, and Garcia. Also attending was Superintendent Aiken, Clerk Weeks and D'Lisa Penney. Trustee Kipp arrived soon after.

Clerk Weeks made a call for nominations for Board Chair. Trustee Garcia moved and Trustee Spaulding seconded to keep the slate of officers the same for the coming year as follows.

Board Chair - Sonya Samuels-Allen
Board Vice Chair - Lori Johnson
Clerk/Treasurer – Nathan Weeks

A vote was taken and the motion passed.

Board Chair Samuels-Allen then began to preside over the meeting.

The schedule of board meetings for the coming year was discussed.

- The Third Monday of each month at 5:00pm in the District Office for March through May and July through December
- The Tuesday following the Holiday on the Third Monday of each month at 5:00 pm in the District Office for February and January
- The Third Tuesday at 5:00pm in the District Office for June

Trustee Garcia moved and Trustee Spaulding seconded to approve the regular meeting for the coming year. A vote was taken and the motion passed.

The places for public postings of board meetings was discussed. It has been the District Website and the District Office. Trustee Garcia moved and Trustee Spaulding seconded to keep the places for public postings the same for the coming year. A vote was taken and the motion passed.

The Trustees reviewed and signed the Code of Ethics.

Trustee Kipp moved and Trustee Garcia 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.

Middle/High School Principal Penney reviewed her report.

- The upcoming Indian Education Summit on January 25.
- Attendance
- ISAT prep
- Pride Survey
- Winter Parent – Teacher conferences

Superintendent Aiken presented on the Nez Perce State Tribal Education Consortium Grant including the details of the Written Final Agreement and Contracting Services Agreement. He reviewed recent collaboration with STEP and the Idaho Indian Education Committee regarding improving and defining Tribal Consultation. The most recent JOM allocation and letters from Johanna Jones of the State Board Office of Indian Education were also shared. Discussion included guidance to gather additional information from NPTEC and STEP prior to proceeding with the agreement. Superintendent Aiken shared additional collaboration is scheduled. He agreed to keep the board informed.

He also talked about the flood in the Elementary School last Friday as a result of the fresh air intake not operating correctly when the low was -15 degrees. There was also a flood in the Ag Shop as the water to the old boiler was not shut off when it was mothballed.

He presented his annual portfolio in advance of the evaluation to be completed at the next meeting.

The ISBA's Day on The Hill is coming up next month and a reminder was made for trustees to consider going.

The Second Reading of the following policy was held.

- Policy 803.4 – Grant Writing and Awards

Trustee Garcia moved and Trustee Spaulding seconded to approve the updated policy as presented. A vote was taken and the motion passed.

A First Reading to Delete Policy 506.10 – Zero Tolerance Violence Policy was listed on the agenda. The intention was to have a first reading to delete Policy 503.10. The correct policy will be listed on the February Agenda.

A Review of Policy 503.10 – Zero Tolerance Violence Policy was listed on the agenda. The intention was to review Policy 506.11 – Zero Violence Policy. The correct policy will be listed on the February Agenda.

The COPS Grant recently awarded to the District requires a specialized system. Only one vendor, Compunet, has been found to provide and install the Audio Enhancement system that the grant was written around. Trustee Garcia moved to approve the Sole Source Vendor Declaration for the Communication System for Compunet. Trustee Spaulding seconded the motion which was passed. The Declaration will be placed in the Tribune as a legal notice and after 14 days of being published with no response from other vendors, the project will proceed with Compunet.

A Late Start on January 10, 2024 was called due to weather. Trustee Kipp moved and Trustee Garcia seconded to approve the identified late start. A vote was taken and the motion passed.

The following personnel action item were presented to the board.

Resignation – Middle/High School Secretary – Mari Kerley

Trustee Garcia moved and Trustee Kipp seconded to approve the personnel item as presented. A vote was taken and the motion passed.

The Board Training topic was the Impact Aid Questionnaire results.

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

Board Chair Samuels-Allen declared the meeting adjourned at 7:01pm.



Board Chair



Clerk

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Date