

SCHOOL BOARD MEETING  
 JUNE 17, 2014  
 SCHOOL ADMINISTRATION OFFICE

TRUSTEES PRESENT: Chairman Alexander, Trustee House, Trustee Reynolds, Trustee Checketts, Trustee Donahue

OTHERS PRESENT: Tim McMurtrey, James Gilbert, Cliff Ogborn, Sharon Whitman, Albert Longhurst, Chris Alzola, Vickie Armstrong, Sherry Colyer, Marsha Baker, Bobbie Lockett, Marilyn Kellerman, Katherine Hudson, Carrie & William Darkes, Rebecca Lyons, LTC Estes, Rich Urquidi, Amy Fisher, Rita & David Olson, Robynn Schipani, Mike Jewell, Anne Bowlden, Karen Kohring, Rosemary Ash, Maxine Rowett

At 7:32 p.m., Chairman Alexander convened the regular meeting of the Board of Trustees and called for the first item of business.

- I. **APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE REGULAR BOARD MEETING OF MAY 20, 2014, AND THE SPECIAL BOARD MEETING OF JUNE 4, 2014.** Chairman Alexander called for a motion to approve the minutes of the regular board meeting of May 20, 2014, and the special board meeting of June 4, 2014. There being no comment, Trustee Reynolds moved to approve the minutes of regular board meeting of May 20, 2014, and the special board meeting of June 4, 2014, with a second from Trustee Checketts. Motion approved.
- II. **FINANCIAL REPORTS** – Cliff Ogborn. Mr. Ogborn reported on the financial statements for May 31, 2014. The statements for May reflected a balance of - (\$608,171). Investments in the State Pool are \$2,129,894. The Income Statement reflected revenue through May as \$20,271,008. Impact Aid was budgeted at \$1,865,000, and we have received \$1,200,322 through May. Expenses show salaries are at \$11,760,498 of original budget, and benefits are \$3,733,859. As of May 31, we have a net margin of revenue in excess of expenses of \$473,907. Chairman Alexander asked since we are getting close to the end of the fiscal year, did the \$1,200,322 in Impact Aid come this year. Mr. Ogborn replied yes from the 2014, two payments. Chairman Alexander asked if we have received anything from previous years. Mr. Ogborn replied no. Trustee House moved to approve the financial report as presented by Mr. Ogborn. Motion seconded by Trustee Donahue. Motion passed.
- III. **CONSIDERATION OF BILLS** – Cliff Ogborn. Mr. Ogborn presented the district bills for approval. Trustee Checketts moved to authorize payment of the district's bills as presented, with a second from Trustee Donahue. Motion carried. (A full and complete listing of the District's bills may be reviewed at the District Office, Accounts Payable.)
- IV. **DELEGATION** – None
- V. **PUBLIC INPUT** –
  1. Rebecca Lyons – Ms. Lyons, teacher, thanked the Board for the opportunity to speak. She then read a statement from her cellphone. Ms. Lyons stated that on behalf of members of the MHEA, the bargaining team, and the executive board, they stand committed to find fair and equitable ground for the 2015 contract. She added that while we find ourselves at an impasse, we know that with the support of our community, our colleagues, and the parents and students we teach, that the district and its employees will be able to soon come to an agreement that meets both the needs of all parties engaged. Ms. Lyons continued to state that for many years the MHSD has been immersed in a fog of economic uncertainty and as that fog lifts and the conditions of our economy get stronger so will the terms of our circumstances. She said that our community and our school district have endured many years of sacrifices and belt-tightening, but now is the time to fill the gaps where human resources have gone without. She concluded by saying that we look forward to brighter times ahead and we hope in earnest that we can find common

ground for all. The Board thanked her for her input.

2. Richard Urquidi – Mr. Urquidi, MHEA Negotiations Member, and teacher, started by informing the Board that this budget is one of the bigger ones in this town and that he didn't subscribe to the Mountain Home Newspaper, but that he was disappointed to find out that the only notice for the budget hearing was found in the newspaper. He claimed that it was a shame that nothing was posted on the bulletin board in front of the district office regarding the Budget Hearing for people to read as they passed by that told them there was a public hearing, , and that a statement should be on the top of proposed budget stating that there was a public hearing. He then discovered that a statement was indeed on the budget proposal but then claimed that the font was tiny and the only place the budget proposal could be found was on the district website was ridiculous. Mr. Urquidi then claimed that if the Board wondered why only one person gave input at the budget hearing [this was it].

Chairman Alexander asked Mr. Urquidi if this [accusations] is how he wanted to give input. Mr. Urquidi said no, that he was just saying that he looked at the budget proposal, but if the city of Mountain Home and all of the people here had to find something like this on the website that's that small [they wouldn't be able].

Chairman Alexander clarified that Mr. Urquidi had been at the board meetings in which the budget hearing was announced. Mr. Urquidi didn't respond.

Mr. Urquidi said that this [his input] wasn't for himself and that he must have missed it but thought it was important.

Clerk Whitman asked the Chairman's permission to address Mr. Urquidi's accusations. She informed Mr. Urquidi that she was the one who posts notices and that in addition to the website, notices are in fact posted on the bulletin board in front of the District Office, and posted on the bulletin board at the County Courthouse, and posted on the bulletin board at City Hall.

Mr. Urquidi disputed what the Clerk said and stated that there wasn't any notice in front of the District Office [bulletin board]. Clerk Whitman informed Mr. Urquidi that there was indeed a notice on the bulletin board out front of the District Office. Mr. Urquidi then claimed that the proposed budget wasn't posted and Clerk Whitman informed him that was because it was only the budget sheet and that Notices must legally be posted. She added that the proposed budget sheet was given to Mountain Home Newspaper for publication as well as being on the district website and available at the District Office for patrons who wished to have a copy. Mr. Urquidi then left the board room to look at the bulletin board again.

The Board moved onto the next agenda item.

## VI. **REPORTS –**

- A. **MOUNTAIN HOME AFB UPDATE –** MHAFB Liaison. LTC Estes informed the Board that as he stated the month prior that this was the season of change.

Mr. Urquidi came back into the boardroom interrupting LTC Estes, but admitted that the Budget Hearing Notice was in fact on the bulletin board. Chairman Alexander apologized to LTC Estes for the interruption.

LTC Estes continued to inform the Board that the transitions continue. He said that 300-400 people are deployed at this time. LTC Estes notified the Board that this was his last opportunity to work with the Board and that he and his family would be leaving for Texas soon. He mentioned that COL Gary Kuback was the new commander and would probably attend the next meeting along with LTC Elwood Henry and Mr. Mike Jewell, who is the liaison between the airbase and town. LTC Estes informed the Board that his purpose is to intervene when people [MHAFB families] are upset, he

addresses the issues with the School Board. He added that working with James and Tim and other school district officials, with a handful of issues, he was pleasantly surprised at the good working relationship. LTC Estes continued to say that the tough part for him as well as Colonel Griswold was leaving the people with which they have personal and working relationships and the community, especially the close relationship between the base and town. He concluded that it's been a pleasure.

Chairman Alexander stated that it has been a real pleasure to work with both LTC Estes and COL Griswold and at a time when the district really needed help the two of them came through. He said that the district has worked with a lot of military commanders and that the two of them have been the most enjoyable and that they would be missed.

## VII. UNFINISHED BUSINESS –

- A. PROPOSED 2014-2015 BUDGET** – Cliff Ogborn. Mr. Ogborn presented the 2014-2015 proposed budget to the Board. He said the budget is the culmination of the direction the Board gave during the April 22 work session Mr. Ogborn informed the Board that this budget includes a reduction in budgeted revenue from Impact Aid from 2014. He added that total enrollment is anticipated to generate 184 support units in FY15. He also said that certified staff is budgeted to have 187 day contracts and the insurance has been increased according to the underwriters' premium increases. Mr. Ogborn notified the Board that after taking into consideration all revenue sources, and anticipated expenses, there is a budgeted revenue in excess of expenses of \$5,000. He said that there had been no input since the Board work session, but pending the input from Mrs. Alzola during the Budget Hearing, he requested approval of the budget. Mrs. Fisher asked if she could ask a question and Chairman Alexander replied no. Trustee Donahue moved to approve the 2014-2015 budget as presented by Mr. Ogborn. Trustee Reynolds seconded it. Motion granted.

## VIII. NEW BUSINESS –

- A. OUT-OF-DISTRICT OPEN ENROLLMENT APPLICATIONS** – James Gilbert. Mr. Gilbert requested approval of the open enrollment application for the 2014-2015 school year. He explained that with the Grand View School District closing Bruneau Elementary School, these parents wanted to enroll in our district and requested the elementary students be enrolled at West Elementary.

1. Will & Esti Aquiso for Elias, 4<sup>th</sup> grade, West; Alia, 2<sup>nd</sup> grade, West
2. Wylee & Karlee Aquiso for Aden, 4<sup>th</sup> grade, West; Rocky, 2<sup>nd</sup> grade, West
3. Lynn & Tiffany Bachman for Elsie, 2<sup>nd</sup> grade, West; Jacob, Kindergarten, West
4. Les & Jacque Black for Gus, 5<sup>th</sup> grade, HMS; Ira, 3<sup>rd</sup> grade, West; Hays, Kindergarten, West
5. Kyle & Bobby Colyer for Piper, 3<sup>rd</sup> grade, West
6. Heath & Nicole Hedges for Hesston, 1<sup>st</sup> grade, West
7. Kelli Prow for Paisley, 1<sup>st</sup> grade, West
8. Wes & Jessica Macmillan for Madison, 6<sup>th</sup> grade, HMS; Wesley, 4<sup>th</sup> grade, West

Mr. Gilbert notified the Board that the parents would provide transportation for the students, so cost will not be on the school district. Chairman Alexander asked Mrs. Colyer about a rumor the Bruneau Elementary might reopen. She added that there would be a special board meeting in which reopening the elementary would be addressed. Chairman Alexander asked to be notified should the school reopen. Trustee Donahue asked if any of the applications included special accommodations for the students, special education, or any other special needs. Mr. Gilbert replied not that he knows of.

Trustee House motioned to approve the Out-of-District Open Enrollment Application as presented by Mr. Gilbert, with a second from Trustee Reynolds. Motion approved.

- B. **PERSONNEL** – James Gilbert. Mr. Gilbert requested approval of the personnel items. Trustee Donahue motioned to approve the personnel items, as presented by Mr. Gilbert, with a second from Trustee Reynolds. Motion carried.

**ADMINISTRATIVE APPOINTMENTS 2014-2015 SCHOOL YEAR**

Gordon, Karen S., Principal, East Elementary School

**APPOINTMENTS**

- Barney, Tammy, 1<sup>st</sup> Grade Teacher; West Elementary School
- Blake, Nicole, Behavioral Supports Paraeducator, West Elementary School
- Cantrell, Sarah, 7<sup>th</sup> Grade English Teacher, MHJH School
- Cantrell, Sarah, 7<sup>th</sup> Grade “A” Volleyball Coach, MHJH School
- Dawson, Samuel, 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Football Coach, MHJH School
- Mayo, Amanda, Special Education Paraeducator, West Elementary School
- Miles, Kristen, Science Teacher, MHHS
- Odierna, Jacquelyn, Special Education Teacher, HMS
- Rogers, Lea, 6<sup>th</sup> Grade Teacher, HMS
- Schmidt, Brian, Head JV/Asst. Varsity Boys Soccer Coach, MHHS
- Smith, Samuel, English Teacher, BMHS
- Torres, Michael, Boys Varsity Soccer Coach, MHHS

**RESIGNATIONS**

- Cotton, Mark, Head Varsity Baseball Coach, MHHS; effective: June 9, 2014
- Dillard, Rose, 6<sup>th</sup> Grade Teacher, HMS; effective: May 21, 2014
- Prow, Jana, Career Center Coordinator, MHHS; effective: June 9, 2014

- IX. **EXECUTIVE SESSION** – Personal Matters and Negotiations. Chairman Alexander called for a motion for the purpose of allowing the Board to retire into executive session to discuss personnel matters regarding staffing and the status of ongoing negotiations between the MHEA and District Administration. After a full and complete discussion and upon motion duly made by Trustee House and seconded by Trustee Checketts, the following resolution was presented:

**RESOLUTION TO ADJOURN INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION**

BE IT SO RESOLVED That the Board of Trustees of School District No. 193 recess from an open meeting into the following executive session(s) pursuant to Section 67-2345, Idaho Code, in order to discuss personnel matters regarding staffing and the status of ongoing negotiations between the MHEA and District Administration as authorized by Title 33, Sections 511(2), 33-512(2)(12)(13), 33-513(1), and Title 67, Sections 67-2341 through 67-2345(1)(a)(c), Idaho Code.

Vote being had on the above and foregoing resolution, and the same having been counted and found to be as follows:

**NAME OF TRUSTEES**

- Chairman Alexander..... Aye
- Trustee Checketts..... Aye
- Trustee House ..... Aye
- Trustee Reynolds ..... Aye
- Trustee Donahue..... Aye

And no less than two-thirds (2/3) of the membership in favor thereof, the chairman had declared said resolution adopted, and the Board recessed into executive session at 7:55 p.m. to discuss personnel matters regarding staffing and the status of ongoing negotiations. Others present: The attending board members, Superintendent McMurtrey, Assistant Superintendent Gilbert, Clerk Whitman, Cliff Ogborn, and Principal Longhurst. Following a full and complete discussion of the personnel matters and the status of negotiations, the Board reconvened into open session at 8:25 p.m. No motion needed.

- X. **ADJOURNMENT** – All business of the Board having been completed, Chairman Alexander called for a motion to adjourn. A motion from Trustee Checketts to adjourn was seconded by Trustee Reynolds. Motion passed. Meeting adjourned at 8:25 p.m.

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Chairman Alexander

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Clerk Whitman