

Next Regular Board Meeting-October 20, 2014
Salmon River Joint School District #243
Regular School Board Meeting Minutes
Monday, September 15, 2014
6:00 p.m. MDT
Riggins-IEN Room

Call to Order

At 6:04 p.m. Chairman Richard Friend called the meeting to order. Board members present were, Trustees Eric Hook and Barbara Hawkins. Superintendent Jim Doramus and Clerk Michelle Hollon were also in attendance. There were three guests.

Open Session

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Approval of Minutes:

Barbara Hawkins motioned to approve the Regular minutes August 18, 2014. Eric Hook seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

Our Auditor, Leroy Loomis, was present to go over the Audit Report for the 2013-14 school year with minor change suggestions. ASB Funds need two signatures according to policy. PO's or PO#'s need to be with every receipt for proof of approval. Currently retired employees part of the insurance pool. Some districts obtain an actuary to perform an analysis. Mr. Loomis stated that the audit went well. In a financial statement overview he commented on the Balance Sheet stating that as of June 30, 2013 and that we had a carryover in the General Fund of \$397,000 after adjusting for liabilities for temporary (non-reimbursed) funds until those funds are reimbursed by the state. He further directed trustees to analyze their total expenditures for the year and commended the administration for protecting the budget with a three-month cash flow and encouraged them to try to achieve a six-month carry over. After going over footnotes, suggesting options to protect funds from new FDIC insurance legislation. Mr. Loomis commended Mrs. Hollon that the audit did not reveal any discrepancies in internal controls and was in compliance with both the State and Federal regulations. Mr. Loomis said that Mrs. Hollon has a good understanding of what is needed and has made everything really smooth.

Eric Hook moved to accept auditor's report, seconded by Rich Friend. Motion passed unanimously.

Treasurer's Report/Approval of Bills

Business manager Michelle Hollon reported that we are in balance.

Barbara Hawkins moved to approve bills and amended to accept treasurer's report, seconded by Eric Hook. Motion passed unanimously.

Administrative Report:

District enrollment is now at 106 with 19 preschool students. Mr. Doramus indicated he is going to have to "crunch some numbers" to determine unit count.

There was moderate turnout at the RES open house with Mrs. Travis' kale chips being the highlight.

New audiometer purchase at RES

Six students taking Spanish over the IEN through IDLA

Juniors and Seniors attending a career fair in Council in a joint effort of “Highway 95 small schools” with anticipated 400 students attending.

Computer network failure.

School Improvement Plan Workshop at District and Elementary. Plan submitted by November 1 covers what the district is doing to help student performance through the WISE tool for progress monitoring.

Mr. Doramus will attend the meeting on Federal Forest Funds

Mr. Doramus volunteered to serve on an SBAC committee that will help determine cut scores.

Kitchen is going well.

Old Business:

- Gymnasium lighting upgrades will be performed soon. Ventilation/heating will be pushed back until spring after basketball.
- Wellness policy updates include third reading of
 - Policy 8211 (District Wellness Advisory Committee)
 - Policy 8201 (Food Services)
 - Policy 8230 (District Nutritional Quality of Food and Beverages)
 - Policy 2302 (Instruction Student Nutrition and Physical Activity)

Barbara Hawkins wanted clarification between 8211 and 8201. Mr. Doramus pointed out that 8211 is under the umbrella of the District Wellness Policy and 8201 is under the Food Service. Upon closer examination it was noted that the Food Services policy is created to comply with the Wellness Policy (which meets the criteria of Federal requirements). Trustee Hawkins pointed out minor changes in policy 2302.

Barbara Hawkins motioned to approve wellness policies 8211, 8201, 8230, and 2302 as stated. Richard Friend Seconded.

- Strategic plan – Mr. Doramus presented Trustees with the five components of the District strategic plan for review and possible revision of the Mission Statement, Vision Statement, and Philosophy.
- Zone 3 Trustee – The superintendent remarked that there is still an open trustee seat in Zone 3 is now open for at-large applications and if not filled prior to the next meeting can be appointed by County commissioners.

Eric Hook moved to open the Zone 3 trustee position to at large, Barb Hawkins seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

New Business:

ISBA Conference in November any Board members interested in attending let Jim know.

Public Comment: None

Board member comment: None

At 7:49 Chairman Friend adjourned the meeting.

Richard Friend
Board Chairman

Michelle Hollon,
Clerk of the Board

Jim Doramus
Superintendent