

**Dietrich School District #314**

**406 North Park Street**

**Dietrich, ID 83324**

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**Regular School Board Meeting Minutes**

**May 18, 2022**

**APPROVED**

Chairman Starr Olsen called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m. The board members in attendance were Vice Chairman Ben Hoskisson, Perry Van Tassell, and Rick Bingham. Superintendent Stefanie Shaw, Business Manager Dalonna Hurd, and Board Clerk Lynn Nebeker were also in attendance. Guests at the meeting were: Mindy Robertson, Charley Astle, Diane Norman, Eric McHan, Glenna Jo Wendt, Katrina McHan, Melody McHan, Jessica Whisenhunt, Sarah Stowell, Greg Stowell, Maureen Heimerdinger, Ian Webb, Collette Robertson, Danny Logan, Amy Webb, Billie Sneddon, and Lindy Smith.

**Consent Agenda**

**Ben Hoskisson made a motion to approve the agenda. Rick Bingham seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous in favor of the motion.**

**Team Lead Presentations**

Secondary & Elementary Combined Presentation: Eric McHan and Sarah Stowell

- Main Goal is to improve academic environment which includes engaging students all hour
  - Discussed pacing to keep all levels of students (below, grade level, advanced) engaged
  - Teachers came up with goals to help improve academic environment
    - High-level questioning—ask good questions
    - Reflection piece at end of class to see what students got out of lesson
- Discussed the importance of following policy and protocol—following the rules
  - Accountability is very important
  - Support from board and administration to enforce policy and protocol

Chairman Olsen asked what the board can help with. Team leads mentioned communication. Positive reports are good and needed.

**Superintendent Report**

As read with focus on:

- Testing—results will be discussed in executive session
- Attendance—best it has been all year

Maintenance Report— As read

Chairman Olsen gave an update on sprinkler system:

- Evans Plumbing pulled out the fire sprinkler system that had frozen and burst. There are two systems: attic system pointing up and classroom system pointing down. The engineer is looking

into whether the main-line sizes of lines are adequate in order to cut a T in to point another sprinkler up which would eliminate the old system.

Athletic Report – As read

### Finance

- Budget committee has met twice. They whittled down the budget to \$35,000 over. The committee will meet again next Tuesday.
- Dietrich School District is down two full support units resulting in lower income.
- ESSER funds will be cut off after next year.
  - What ESSER pays for will need to be funneled into the regular budget at that time.
- Lunch Fee Increase—Perry Van Tassell asked what percentage of students eat hot lunch. If we have 80% of student population eligible for free/reduced lunch program, then the whole school will be eligible to participate in that program. We are at 65% eligibility right now. We aren't at the state pricing level for lunch rates. We have been behind for several years but are gradually increasing the lunch rate to meet the state pricing level in the next few years. The question was asked regarding what it takes to buy local for the lunch menu. There are strict state/federal guidelines to follow. The Lunch Fee Increase item will be brought back to next month's agenda with the participation rate noted.
- Medicare Insurance Corrective Action

**Perry Van Tassell made a motion to pay Medicare Insurance premiums for qualifying staff. Rick Bingham seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous in favor of the motion.**

### Board Business

- JR High Wrestling

**Perry Van Tassell made a motion to approve the JR High Wrestling program. Ben Hoskisson seconded the motion. The motion passed with a majority vote in favor of the motion. Rick Bingham voted NO.**

- Stipends

**Perry Van Tassell made a motion to table the Stipend position until after the 2022/2023 Budget is approved. Rick Bingham seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous in favor of the motion.**

- Graduation Program—Dolly Power's name will be removed from the program as she is no longer a board trustee. Everything else looks good.
- Disposal of Property—items in old Ag shop need to be removed so the shop can be used as a wood shop next year. The milk machine does not work. Dairy West will be contacted to see if they can replace it. The Disposal of Property item will be brought back to next month's agenda with the milk machine information.
- Resealing of Parking Lot—The cost will be \$15,000. There is \$5,000 in donated funds from Lincoln County. The district will fund the remaining \$10,000. Mindy Robertson asked about painting lines on the parking lot. This will not be on the 2022/2023 budget.

**Perry Van Tassell made a motion to approve resealing the parking lot. Ben Hoskisson seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous in favor of the motion.**

- ESSER Funds/5-year Projects—Rick Bingham explained an idea he had after the first budget meeting to meet the project needs of the District over the next 5-10 years. The District would budget \$25,000 in 2022/2023 and borrow \$80,000 from savings for the unfinished and upcoming projects on the list. The District would then budget \$20,000 from Maintenance/Grounds to repay savings each year until the \$80,000 is paid back to savings. The projects would need to be done well and fully completed. \$176,000 from ESSER III funds will be used for the HVAC system. The Insurance check for the Science room came in. Ryan will work on getting a breakdown from the restoration company for the repairs. The restoration company can oversee the project but may not do all the actual repair/remodel work.
- School Culture—Superintendent Shaw explained some of the items on her School Culture report. She completed two Instructional Rounds with the teachers. These were meaningful to the staff. Superintendent Shaw plans on doing these Instructional Rounds each month next school year. The board members were invited to participate in these rounds. Two classrooms were observed in Elementary and Secondary schools during each round. Areas that need to be worked on as well as what is working in the classrooms were discussed during the rounds. Rick Bingham inquired about possibly reaching out to Shoshone and Richfield schools to observe some of their classrooms.
  - A student survey was conducted with 6-12 grades. They were asked four questions. The results were discussed with Team Leads.
    - Overarching themes from the survey include: Students don't like using Chromebooks for teaching; Google Classroom helps with student organization; Students don't like how SAVVAS is taught.
    - Perry Van Tassell asked if the current curriculum will continue to be used. Superintendent Shaw said she needs to wait to answer this question after teacher evaluations are completed.

### **Executive Session**

**Ben Hoskisson made a motion to go into executive session as per Idaho code 74-206(1) subsections (b) and per Idaho code 74-206(1) subsection (d):**

(b) to consider the evaluation, dismissal or disciplining of, or to hear complaints or charges brought against, a public officer, employee, staff member or individual agent, or public school student;

(d) to consider records that are exempt from disclosure as provided in Chapter 2, Title 74, Idaho Code;

**Perry Van Tassell seconded the motion. The roll call vote went as follows: Rick, aye; Ben, aye; Perry, aye; and Starr, aye. The board went into executive at 8:40 p.m.**

The board came out of executive session at 9:57 p.m.

### **Personnel**

**Perry Van Tassell made a motion to the Personnel consent agenda. Ben Hoskisson seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous in favor of the motion.**

**Ben Hoskisson made a motion to approve the Attendance Appeal. Perry Van Tassell seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous in favor of the motion.**

### **Future Agenda Items**

1. The next Regular Board meeting will be June 16, 2022 7:30 p.m.

### **Adjournment**

Starr Olsen adjourned the meeting at 10:00 p.m.