

WHITEPINE JOINT SCHOOL DISTRICT #288
BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING
Monday, December 9, 2024 - 6:00 p.m.
Deary School Library
MINUTES

- 1) Call to Order: Chair, Beverly Clark, called the meeting to order at 6:01 p.m.
 - a) Attendance: Shawna Winter, Brittany Griffin, Beverly Clark, Mandy Kirk, Marc Manni, Joshua Hardy, Stephanie Fletcher, Stacy Monk, Tera Reeves, Kassie Summerfield, Bri Austin
 - b) Changes to Agenda: None
 - c) Adopt Agenda*: *By unanimous consent the Agenda was approved.*
- 2) Public Comments (Limited to 12 minutes): None
- 3) Approve Consent Agenda*: *By unanimous consent the Consent Agenda was approved.*
 - a) Minutes
 - b) Bill Payments
 - c) Certified, Classified, and Supplemental Personnel Actions - Ed Allocation Contract Addendums
 - d) Items to be Disposed - None
- 4) Presentations
 - a) Tera Reeves, Gem Prep Online: Mrs. Reeves gave an update on the charter Gem Prep Online, that the Whitepine Joint School District is an authorizer for. GPO was named National ESEA Distinguished School for 2024. She also shared a newsletter that highlighted all of GPO's success across the state in the online school as well as their brick and mortar schools.
- 5) Information Items
 - a) Budget Reports
 - b) Enrollment Report
 - c) Department / Principals' Reports
 - Athletic Director - *NONE*
 - HS Boys and Girls Basketball up to this point have had a great start to their season(s): Girls are 3-0 overall, and 1-0 in Whitepine 1A League play, and the Boys are 1-0 overall/Whitepine League play. (this is currently, 12/5 being the date this is being typed up)
 - The next home contest for both Boys and Girls basketball is coming up on 12/10 vs SJB. This is a 'quad', with start times of: 4 PM 1/2 JV boy, 5 PM 1/2 JV girl, 6 PM Varsity boy, 7:30 PM Varsity girl. [last minute addition]
 - As you may recall, we have a wrestling co-op with Lapwai this year. Our one participant, Ciel Sattler, took 2nd Place in her weight class at the Dick Griswold Tournament in Potlatch last Saturday.
 - IT Director -
 - *NONE*
 - Transp/Maint. Director -
 - *NONE*

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- Elementary Principal -
 - Food Drive:
 - The Deary and Bovill classes once again made a substantial contribution to the DHS Student Council Food Drive.
 - Sheriff's Office Giving Activities:
 - The Latah County Sheriff's Department has two annual Holiday giving activities - Delivering Turkey Dinners and "Shop with a Cop." This includes students/families from all schools in the county. A few local families either received a turkey dinner for Thanksgiving from a Deputy or have students that will get to go Christmas shopping with a Deputy. Thank you, Latah County!
 - Holiday Activities:
 - IDFY to Bovill, Dec. 13
 - 4th-5th grade, singing at Senior Luncheon, Dec. 17th
 - Christmas Concert, Dec. 18th
 - Preschool Christmas Party, Dec. 19th
 - Christmas Party, PJs, and Book Exchanges, Dec. 20th
 - IRI Updates
 - There is little information to update from November. However, the most recent scoring has us at an overall 73% Proficiency.
- Secondary Principal -
 - Food Drive:
 - Like the elementary, we had a fairly good showing for the canned food drive. There were a few classes that didn't participate, but those that did brought in over 550 items.
 - MS PJ's & Pancakes:
 - [Taking place on Sat. 12/7]
 - Cap Ed Grant:
 - At the last school board meeting I mentioned that we were awarded a grant which Ashleigh Brown applied for. Here is a little statement that Ashleigh provided for this report...
 - The Deary School Library was recently awarded an \$800 grant from the CapEd Foundation. The focus of this grant was to develop fun and engaging reading incentives for students grades 4-12 that are directly linked to the school library. Possible incentives include competitions such as library bingo, and student reading awards for the most books read. The majority of supplies and student awards have already been procured with the grant funds. Additionally, the library was able to purchase an additional 57 books for its collection through this grant (books were selected based on popular student requests). Numerous studies indicate that students who engage in regular reading demonstrate improved academic performance. Consistent reading has been shown to enhance memory, vocabulary, and critical thinking skills. It is my hope that these incentives will foster literacy, student growth, and an improved library experience. I look forward to the opportunities these funds will create for our students.
 - Upcoming Events (worth mentioning):

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- This Wednesday we have an assembly for grades 6 -12. The assembly is “Choices Matter: Providing Students and Young Adults with the Opportunity to be Educated on Life Changing Decisions”. The program is at no cost to the school, as Idaho Office of Highway Safety funds provides the funding. The speaker is Ethan Fisher who shares his personal story of poor decision making and the consequences that he faced when he was younger. The focus is on safe driving, but overall touches on making good choices.
- Our IDFY students will be going to Bovill this Friday for some fun mentoring activities with the lower elementary grades. This should be a fun and engaging day for both the little students as well as our IDFY students.
- The MS lip-synch contest will be held on Friday, Dec. 20th at 10:20ish. This day is also going to be full of other activities planned by our Student Council and their advisor Miss. Tiffany.

d) Superintendent’s Report

- Flood Repair Update
 - The damage caused by flooding in Bovill has been completely repaired. We paid three contractors directly for a total of \$14,561.41 and were reimbursed through our *ICRMP* insurance after a \$5,000 deductible. Other expenses were reimbursed to King Services for a total of \$112,217.95. Total cost of repair was \$131,779.36. Most insurance claims cause premiums to go up, and we anticipate an increase in our premium next year due to this flood.
- 10-Year Facilities Plan
 - I sent you all a screenshot of this over the Thanksgiving break but wanted to confirm with you here that the plan has been accepted and approved by the SDE. As soon as the funds are distributed, we will begin to put the plan into place. Please keep in mind that, like previous facilities plans, this one is a living document, subject to alterations based on oft-changing needs. Much of this will also have to wait for summer as the projects can be quite disruptive to the school day.
It is also important to remember that these funds have very strict usage requirements - more so than other maintenance funding. It will be tracked via a separate funding code in the budget. We will be getting the full ten-year allotment in a lump sum (split between two payments) and will need to make it last throughout the life of the plan.
- Region 6 Meeting w/ Legislators
 - As you are aware, next Monday Mandy and I will be attending a meeting with our state legislators. This is sponsored and hosted by the Moscow SD and will be held at their district offices. Space is very limited which is why we can only take two.

6) Discussion / Action* Items

- a) Policy 4140 - Visitors to the Schools / Student Handbook Procedures*: After much discussion, the board agreed that the intent of the policy does not prevent a parent from bringing a younger nonschool-aged child to attend a class party, or ceremony during school hours. They clarified how this policy should be put into practice regarding parents with nonschool-aged children. It is the Board’s interpretation that the language/intent of the policy - as well as that of the students’ handbooks - that only “student” visitors are prohibited.

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- b) Interest-Based Bargaining Updates: The following items are set.

Date: Friday & Saturday, Jan. 3rd & 4th

Start time TBA

Location: Deary School Library

Meals: Lunch and snacks will be provided.

Attendees:

Board: Bev Clark, Brittany Griffin, Shawna Winter, and Marc Manni

District: Josh Hardy & Stephanie Fletcher?

WEA: Tessa Olson, Kendra Keen, Julia Proctor, & Ryan Minden

Trainer: TBD

Facilitator: TBD

- 7) Policy Items:

a) 1st Readings: 3265 - Student-Owned Electronic Communications Devices – stay in 1st reading

b) 2nd Readings: 3010P - Open Enrollment Procedures: *Brittany Griffin moved to approve Policy 3010P as presented. Shawna Winter seconded, motion carried.*

- 8) Executive Session - Idaho Code 74-206 (1.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 a student.

a) Staff Spotlight

b) Supt. Eval Update

Mandy Kirk moved to enter Executive Session under I.C. 74-206 (1.b). Shawna Winter seconded, roll call vote: Shawna Winter – Aye, Brittany Griffin – Aye, Beverly Clark – Aye, Mandy Kirk – Aye, Marc Manni – Aye.

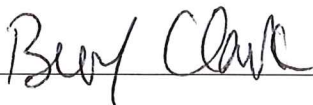
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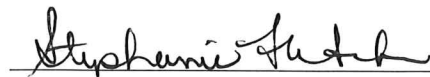
- 9) Other Business

a) NONE

- 10) Adjourn: *By unanimous consent, the meeting was adjourned at 8:13 p.m.*



Beverly Clark, Chair



Stephanie Fletcher, Clerk