OFFICIAL MINUTES JT SCHOOL DISTRICT #342 CULDESAC, ID 83524

The Board of Trustees held their regular Wednesday meeting at 7:00 p.m. in the School Library on March 14, 2012 as posted. Those in attendance were Chairman Cecil Martin, Vice-chairman Lori Zenner, Trustees Kathryn Bomar and Bryce Scrimsher, Superintendent Darrell Olson and Principal Loretta Stowers, Clerk/Treasurer Loretta Hammond-Nichols and six staff members and four patrons. (ABSENT- Trustee Richard Grant – due to election recall on March 13, 2012)

ORDER/SALUTE

Chairman called the meeting to order and those present joined in the flag salute at 7:02 p.m.

SUPERINTENDENT REPORT

BUDGET STATUST (2/29/2012) – Revenue projections are up by about \$56,000 for the year and maintaining the expenditure budget the reserve balance should be about \$100,000. We want to be conservative the remainder of the year in our spending. JFAC-The legislature approved the K-12 budget for next year and now the bill goes to the House then Senate before the Govern signs the bill into law. If approved the starting salary for new teachers would be \$30,500. Movement for certificated staff would include experience and training. However, the two year loss from previous year freeze will not be restored. The classified staff would see a two percent increase. The SDE is looking to fund 1.0 FTE for technology staff for school districts due to the Students Come First Technology implementation.

Trustee Lori Zenner commented that she was glad that the legislature stepped up to help the schools this year.

LEVY ELECTION RESULTS-The unofficial results were distributed from the Nez Perce County Clerk Patty Weeks which included the Lewis County tally as well. The registered voters total 539 with total ballots of 363 cast. Yes votes total were 224 and No votes total were 139. The Supplemental Levy two year request for \$250,000.00 each year for the 2012-13 and 2013-14 years passed by 61.71%. The total voter turnout was at 67.35% with 38.29% no votes. Nez Perce County passed the Levy at 62.43% and Lewis County failed the Levy. The Recall Election for Zone #3 Trustee – Richard Grant had 95 registered voters with a total of 90 ballots cast. The Ballots in favor of the recall totaled 52 votes and the ballots cast against the recall totaled 38 votes. The recall was successful by 57.78%. Voter turnout for the recall election was at 94.74%. It is good to see the turnout for the election. The yes votes were up and the no votes were down from the previous election. Thank you to all who helped work on getting more voters registered to vote. The County Commissioners have 10 days to canvass the election results. The Board can take a phone poll to accept the election results once the certification is mailed out.

PRINCIPAL REPORT

EXTENDED READING INTERVENTION-This is for the K-3 program called the Culdesac Plan Builder for students are tested by the IRI who score a 1 or lower 2. \$950 is available for the program to provide additional help to students beyond the regular instructional day in reading. We are providing services on Mondays and afterschool on Tuesday and Thursday with Mr. Tiegs and paraprofessional. This item for approval is under the consent agenda.

CURRICULUM CYCLE ADOPTION SCHEDULE- This rotation shows that next year science will be reviewed and adopted with Language Arts/English/Spelling/Reading/Grammar to follow the next two years. Math is being done this year just to fill the holes until the year for that adoption. In 2014, the state standards are changing to the new common core standards. This is a completely different approach and the staff will be learning to adapt their teaching to meet the new requirements.

NW ACCREDITATION-Evaluation for Culdesac is this next year. Committees are working to complete the self evaluation to include parents and community members. It used to be a ten year rotation schedule but with the new reports the rotation is every seven years now.

IDAHO FELXIBILITY APPLICATION (NCLB)-This deals with schools meeting Average Yearly Progress (AYP) each year for student growth. The flex option allows for measuring student growth and preparing students for college or careers. It BOARD MINUTES-MARCH 14, 2012

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align with the ISAT scores to measure student growth but schools will be measured on a five star chart. Five star as outstanding and one or two star needing reform help by the state for improvement. Next year 50% of staff evaluation will deal with student growth and parent input will be part of the process. This information will be submitted through the ISEE report as part of the requirement to receive funding for staff.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Patron and staff concerns covered were: Investment Account is used by the SDE to deposit school payments and the district withdraws monthly into the checking account to cover expenses, Trustee for Zone #3 was recalled at the March 13, 3012 election is why Trustee Richard Grant did not attend this evening, Board has 90 days to appoint for the vacancy for a position within the zone, if no one in the zone is interested then the Board has an additional 30 days which totals 120 before an appointment at large, after that time then the Nez Perce County Commissioners will appoint the candidate for the vacancy, Patron in Zone 3 is interested in the position and would like to apply, so why wait to appoint, school plan to hire part-time superintendent and full-time principal, glad levy passed and many thanks to

those who worked hard in getting registered voters, and school looks great and smells clean.

Chairman response to Zone #3 Vacancy: The position needs to be advertised as vacant to see if others are interested. If more than one candidate would apply, then the Board would do interviews. Election for Zone 3 is May of 2013. Trustee positions are four year terms with elections held in the odd years. Appointment will be through June 2013 meeting. Elected Trustees take office at the Annual meeting in July. Appointed Trustees take office and oath the meeting of appointment.

BOARD COMMENTS

Trustee Lori Zenner thanked all the patrons and parents who worked to help get the levy passed.

Trustee Kathy Bomar commented that the results reflect the hard work everyone has done in passing the levy.

Trustee Cecil Martin explained that a lot of work took place to change those no votes into yes votes. The PTSA Sausage Feed went well and many people noticed the clean building and restrooms. Chairman did comment that it is about time to replace the elk painting in the hall by the cafeteria.

Superintendent Olson replied that the staff who are cleaning the building are doing a great job.

CONSENT AGENDA –(AGENDA/MINUTES/FINANCE REPORT/CURRENT BILLS/EMPLOYEE LEAVE REPORT/EXTENDED READING INTERVENTION/BUDGET HEARING – JUNE 13, 2012 AT 6:30 P.M.)

Trustee Lori Zenner moved to approve the consent agenda as presented/Seconded by Bryce Scrimsher/Motion passed.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

TRUSTEE ZONE #3 POSITION

As per the recall election, Richard Grant will not be service Zone #3. As of the March meeting the position is declared vacant. The Commissioners have 10 days or until March 23, 2012 to canvass the election results. The Board will have 90 days to appoint for a zone representative and an additional 30 days for at-large appointment if needed. Chairman asked that those interested tonight contact the District Clerk with a letter of interest.

Trustee Bryce Scrimsher moved to declare Zone #3 position open. Seconded by Kathy Bomar/Motion passed.

BOARD NEGOTIATOR VOLUNTEERS

Superintendent explained that the end of March usually the Board contacts the Culdesac Teacher Organization to set a meeting schedule for negotiations and introduction to start in April.

Bryce Scrimsher offered to volunteer.

Lori Zenner offered to head the negotiations for the Board. She was hoping this year would be more positive.

Board agreed that the volunteers would represent them in Negotiations.

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OPEN ENROLLMENT APPLICATION

Superintendent Olson presented the open enrollment application for a Lapwai student who has attended Culdesac earlier this year. This student is not special needs and will meet the bus at an established stop. Superintendent recommended the Board approve the application.

Chairman noted that the student lives about 2/3 of a mile past our last turn around on the Bus route. Chairman asked about the student attendance record report.

Superintendent explained that the attendance was not a problem.

Bryce Scrimsher ask that the application be discussed during executive session regarding any discipline issues and invite the Principal for discussion.

Board agreed to discuss the application during executive session.

SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT PLAN SCORING RUBRIC APPROVAL

Superintendent presented the completed rubric for the Board's approval. This was needed to submit to the SDE. The SDE will review and respond regarding the District and School plan at a later date with revisions that are needed.

Kathy Bomar moved to approve the School Improvement Scoring Rubric as presented by the Superintendent to be forwarded to the SDE for approval. Seconded by Lori Zenner/Motion passed.

NEW BUSINESS

FOOD SERVICE MEAL PRICES

Superintendent explained that during this budget process we discussed raising meal prices and decided to wait. We decided to revisit the item this spring when the new rates are being raised. We will need three meetings for the public to discuss the options. This will be followed up in April and May with additional information from Cook Debbie Marker on current expenses. She has been doing a good job and working hard to reduce costs.

Lori Zenner commented that price of food keeps going up.

Kathy Bomar commented that with Mr. Olson not bring fresh produce and fruit from the Fiesta Market our costs will be going up as well.

Chairman remarked that the budget does not have a lot of buffer built in to absorb rising costs. Mr. Martin asked what percentage of students participated in the program?

Clerk responded about 70% of which most are Free and Reduced students.

Lori Zenner moved to enter Executive Session as per IC 67-2345 for Personnel and Student issues. Seconded by Bryce Scrimsher/Board Poll: Yes, Yes, Yes and Yes/Affirmative response.

INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION: 7:55 P.M.

Principal discussed student issue regarding open enrollment application.

Superintendent discussed student issue regarding IEP issue and services and legal options.

Board discussed personnel issues regarding the Principal and Superintendent positions' and application process.

OUT OF EXECUTIVE SESSION: 9:15 P.M. No decisions were made during executive session.

OPEN ENROLLMENT APPLICATION

Bryce Scrimsher moved to accept the open enrollment application. Seconded by Kathy Bomar/Motion passed.

Adjourned: 9:18 p.m.

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CLERK

(Clerk's Note: Chairman Cecil Martin contacted the Clerk on March 21, 2012 after receiving the mailing of the County Certification by the Nez Perce Commissioners with the results stating the same figures as presented at the Board Meeting: Board Poll taken by phone to accept election results for Supplemental and Recall: Kathryn Bomar-Yes, Bryce Scrimsher-Yes, and Cecil Martin-Yes/Affirmative response. Trustee Lori Zenner was not contacted for the poll since the three votes carried the decision to accept the results as per Chairman Martin.)

CHAIRMAN

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