HIGHLAND JOINT SCHOOL DISTRICT #305

School Board Minutes Regular Meeting December 8, 2016

The Board of Trustees of Joint School District #305 met in regular session in the library of the school at 5:30 pm. Present were Trustees Stigum, Haight, and Pentzer. Trustee Davis and Striebeck were absent. Also attending were Superintendent Baumberger and Clerk Weeks. The audience included Joan Tiede, Sarah Hatfield, Andrew Beck, and Amanda Beck.

No changes were proposed to the agenda. Trustee Pentzer wanted to be sure that the timing of finals for the first semester was included under Administrative Reports.

Trustee Haight moved that the consent agenda be approved. Trustee Pentzer seconded the motion. The consent agenda included certain current bills of this school district to be paid as presented: checks #30886 – 30922 totaling \$49,614.89. A vote was taken and the motion passed.

The opportunity to participate in the purchase card program offered by Capital Educators Credit Union in Boise was discussed. While it is possible to obtain a company credit card for the district's use, the purchase card program is much more flexible. The district can get a more favorable due date, obtain card for those employees who need it for official business and manage the use and credit limit of those cards. The program is similar to what the State of Idaho uses as well as other districts. Trustee Pentzer moved and Trustee Haight seconded to authorize Business Manager Nathan Weeks to proceed with opening a share account with Capital Educators Credit Union and complete an application for the purchase card program. A vote was taken and the motion passed.

The option to add Junior High Wrestling as a Highland sport was discussed. Andrew Beck talked about the number of students that wish to participate and the need to be organized under the school to be able to compete with other school in the area. Superintendent Baumberger talked about transportation. Andrew Beck is willing to coach on a volunteer basis to get the sport going at Highland. Trustee Pentzer moved and Trustee Haight seconded to add Junior High Wrestling as a sport. A vote was taken and the motion passed.

Principal Hatfield talked about current happenings in the school. There are currently 161 Students, no change since last month.

Trustee Pentzer gave comments that there has been some concern about the timing of finals as compared to prior years.

Superintendent Baumberger touched on several topics. There is currently an emergency shortage in school psychologists. Fortunately, a prior contractor is coming back on a temporary basis for a short period. He talked about the safety inspection and the need for the fire marshal sign off the safety plans. Football was more expensive this year due to the need to update equipment after skimping for a number of years. He also talked about the status of teacher evaluations and the State's involvement with regard to the Charlotte Danielson method.

Chairman Stigum declared the meeting adjourned at 6:32pm.

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Board Chairman