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Dr. Scott Woolstenhulme, Superintendent Regular Meeting February 10, 2021 7:00 PM

Bonneville HS/Little Theater 3165 E Iona Road Idaho Falls, ID 83401

I. <u>Pledge of Allegiance was led by Amy Landers</u>.

II. Prayer was offered by Greg Calder.

III. Call to Order

Chairman Landers called the meeting to order at 7:02 p.m.

IV. Roll Call

| Chad Dance   | present |
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| Greg Calder  | present |
| Paul Jenkins | excused |
| Scott Lynch  | present |
| Amy Landers  | present |

## V. Welcoming of Delegates and Visitors

Others in attendance were Superintendent Dr. Scott Woolstenhulme, Chief Financial/Operations Officer Guy Wangsgard, Executive Director of Instruction & Learning Jason Lords, Executive Director of Planning & Personnel Heath Jackson, Director of Maintenance & Operations John Pymm, Director of Safe Schools & Technology Gordon Howard, Community Relations and Communications Phil Campbell, D93News Samantha Williams, Principals Ken Marlow, Levi Owen, Kent Patterson, Doug McLaren and Athletic Director Cody Jackson and Arli Olson and Board Clerk Mary Hansen.

Chairman Landers stated that due to their sensitive nature, complaints about personnel or an individual student must be submitted in accordance to Board Policy 4112 <u>Uniform Grievance</u>. Grievance forms (4112F1) found on the District's home webpage <u>www.d93schools.org</u> under School Board tab – Board Policies.

VI. Action Items:

A. Amend/Approve the Agenda

MOTION: Greg Calder moved to approve the Agenda. Chad Dance seconded. Motion carried.

B. Motions from Executive Session

1. Employee C2021 Decision

**MOTION:** Chad Dance moved to accept recommendation to approve conditional leave without pay for Employee C2021. Greg Calder seconded. Motion carried.

2. Employee D2021 Decision

**MOTION:** Chad Dance moved to accept recommendation to approve conditional leave without pay for Employee D2021. Greg Calder seconded. Motion carried.

3. Employee E2021 Decision

**MOTION:** Chad Dance moved to accept recommendation to approve conditional leave without pay for Employee E2021. Greg Calder seconded. Motion carried.

4. Employee F2021 Decision

**MOTION:** Chad Dance moved to accept recommendation to approve conditional leave without pay for Employee F2021. Greg Calder seconded. Motion carried.

5. Employee G2021 Decision

**MOTION:** Chad Dance moved to accept recommendation to approve conditional leave without pay for Employee G2021. Greg Calder seconded. Motion carried.

6. Employee H-2021 Decision

**MOTION:** Chad Dance moved to accept recommendation to approve conditional leave without pay for Employee H2021. Greg Calder seconded. Motion carried.

7. Student 21-Q Decision

**MOTION:** Greg Calder moved to ratify expulsion of Student 21-Q for the remainder of the 2020-2021 school year and to approve conditional re-admittance of Student 21-Q to Tiebreaker Elementary as of February 3, 2021. Chad Dance seconded. Motion carried.

C. Consent Calendar

Chairman Landers asked if any Board Member would like to remove any item from the Consent Calendar to the Regular Agenda. Hearing none, she asked if any Board Member had any questions with regard to the Consent Calendar and asked for a motion to approve the Consent Calendar.

MOTION: Greg Calder moved to approve the Consent Calendar. Chad Dance seconded. Motion carried.

Dr. Woolstenhulme acknowledged Julian Duffey for his work and dedication over the last eight years as the Director of Special Services/Federal Programs working along side Rex Miller. Mr. Duffey will resign at the end of the fiscal year.

1. <u>Minutes of Previous Meetings</u> Executive Session 01-13-2021 Annual Meeting 01-13-2021 Motion & Order to Amend Agenda 01-13-2021 Work Session 01-27-2021

2. Financial

a. Accounts Payable

\$9,914,319.62

b. Capital Construction Projects Report

c. <u>Contract</u>

Titan Food Service Management Software System

- d. Emergency Closure
- 3. Employees
  - a. Conditional Employment
  - b. Resignations and Terminations
  - c. Retirements
  - d. Stipends
  - e. Transfers
- 4. Interships/Student Teachers
- 5. Students

a. Early Graduation Requests

b. Trip Requests

BHS - Cheer Team - Eagle, ID from 03-05-2021 to 03-06-2021

VII. <u>Public Input</u>: Pursuant to Board Policy #4105 <u>Public Participation in Board Meetings</u> Input shall be held to a maximum of 1 hour and will provide an opportunity for any Board Member, administrator, staff member, student, or patron to raise issues of interest. The Board will receive such input without comment, except to ask germane questions of those speaking. Comments should be limited to three (3) minutes. The Board will take no action relative to any items during the meeting, but may direct the Superintendent to consider such an item at a subsequent meeting.

Nicole Park, Idaho Falls: Encouraged a 4-day school week and all day kindergarten.

Madaline Caine, Idaho Falls: Encouraged wearing masks

Arli Olsen, Idaho Falls: Questioned on accepting open enrollment for students of District employees.

## VII. Administrative Reports/Information Items

A. Construction Report

Chairman Landers invited John Pymm to present Construction Report. Mr. Pymm stated Black Canyon MS is on schedule and should be completed at the end of April 2021. Carpets, bleachers, and track on upper deck are being installed, concrete polished, painting touch-ups, completion of Special Education areas, and FF&E (furniture, fixtures and equipment) are under

way. Available contingency funds have allowed two extra classrooms to be completed. Capacity of the school will be 850 and 10 additional classrooms can be added when needed.

B. Report on the State of the District

Graduation Rates - Dr. Scott Woolstendhulme

Chairman Landers invited Dr. Woolstenhulme to present report on graduation rates. Dr. Woolstenhulme reviewed preliminary state graduation rates for the graduates and non-graduate numbers for the senior class of 2020. Federal definition of non-graduate would include students in Special Education, such as the FLITTE program. Aligning the district graduation requirements with the state requirements have increased the district's graduation rates and all schools are on an upgrade trend. Bonneville Online HS rates have increased when homeschooled students are included. Non-graduate rates by ethinicity are lower for white students compared to non-white students.

School Zone Flashing Lights Report - Gordon Howard, Director

Chairman Landers invited Gordon Howard to present report on school zone flashing lights. Good news! Flashing school zone lights have been placed along Iona Road from the east canal to the west side of Bonneville HS. The cost of these signs are shared with Bonneville County. The signs can be programed for specific times and in cooperation with the Bonneville Sheriff's Department, are set from 7:30 a.m.-9:00a.m. and 2:00 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. during a normal school day.

## Social/Emotional Learning (SEL) Program Report - Ken Marlowe

Chairman Landers invited Ken Marlowe to present report on Social Emotional Learning program. Mr. Marlowe shared 2017 mental health statistics showing high percentages of suicide attempts, including attempts requiring medical treatment, and depression in the State of Idaho. Social emotional learning (SEL) programs are designed to help students who suffer from mental health concerns and benefits adults as well. The program coorelates with the District's mission, vision and the four cornerstones; it can help build personal confidence, improve relationship skills, manage social awareness and lead to successful young adults. The program provides a roadmap to help family, school administrators, school counselors, and the community in developing stategies in understanding and coping with student mental health challenges. Dr. Woolstenhulme informed the board that Mr. Marlowe will be directing the SEL program in the district and will coordinate training.

C. Proposed Policy for Inital Consideration

3523 Bed Bugs (new policy)

3523E Bed Bug Guidance for School Teachers Exhibit

3523F Bed Bug Informational Letter for Parents

Chairman Landers invited Jason Lords to present policy for intial consideration. How do we handle a bed bug in school? Mr. Lords stated this is a new policy and worked with the district nurse to write this policy.

VIII. Action Items

A. Thunder Ridge HS Assistant Principal Recommendation

Chairman Landers invited Principal Doug McLaren to present recommendation for Thunder Ridge\_HS Assistant Principal. Mr. McLaren stated there were 39 applicants for Assistant Principal position and narrowed it to five interviews. He recommended Cody Jackson for the Assistant Principal position; Cody has gone the extra mile this last year, providing help and support in the classroom teachers, building relationships with students and looking for ways to improve the school.

**MOTION:** Chad Dance moved to accept Cody Jackson for Thunder Ridge HS Assistant Principal as recommended. Greg Calder seconded. Motion carried.

Mr. Jackson is excited for this new opportunity and will do what it takes to make Thunder Rdige HS a great place to learn and grow.

B. Ridgeview #4 Subdivision Land Sale Bids

Chairman Landers invited John Pymm to present bids received for Ridgeview #4 subdivision land sale. Mr. Pymm reminded the board that this property was surplussed earlier. The land was recently advertised for sale and the District received two bids: \$220K from Desert Peak General Contractors, LLC and \$401K from JV Enterprises, LLC. Mr. Pymm recommended to accept the bid from JV Enterprises, LLC for \$401K.

**MOTION:** Greg Calder moved to accept bid from JV Enterprises, LLC for \$401K as the purchase price for the Ridgeview #4 Subdivision lots. Chad Dance seconded. Motion carried.

C. Reopening Plan re: Phase 1

Mask Requirement

Chairman Landers invited Dr. Scott Woolstenhulme to present proposed revisions to Phase 1 of Reopening Plan. Dr. Woolstenhulme reviewed the active cases chart from the start of the school year and stated that active cases are now lower.

With the revisions of the EIPH guidelines, quarantined numbers have lowered. Bonneville County is now ino Phase 1 with less stringent mask mandates. The district administration has reviewed the risks and benefits of requiring masks for staff and students. The board has received a lot of feedback relating to mask guidelines. The district feels that when masks are not worn by students, quarantines will rise. Guidelines from public health is to wear masks if not able to social distrance. High school principals have seen an increase of depression and suicidal attempts during the pandemic and find policing mask wearing difficult. Offering a choice to parents and students is a good step forward; however changing mask requirements for schools and classrooms mid-stream could be disasterous if active cases rise again. Dr. Woolstenhulme stated over 1,000 employees have received the COVID vaccination.

The district administration recommend: Contingent on District 93 active COVID cases not exceeding 21 (15 / 10,000 rate) for more than 3 consecutive days, effective Monday, March 8, 2021, D93 schools will move to Phase 1 of our Reopening Plan to state the following: "staff and students will be strongly encouraged to continue to wear masks at school when social distancing cannot be maintained"; classroom teachers, bus drivers, coaches and advisors, and school principals are authorized to require masks to be worn by students within their respective classrooms, school buses, or designated areas of their schools; and students who continue to wear masks will not be required to quarantine from school if they are exposed to an individual with COVID at school or a school activity. Waiting until March 8, 2021 will accomplish the following: Vaccinations administered to D93 staff members will reach full efficacy on the following dates: 700 staff members by Friday, February 26 and 300 staff members by Monday, March 8; requests for leaves of absences from staff members can be evaluated and accommodated if possible; requests for online instruction or changes in teacher assignments for 3rd trimester for students can be evaluated and accommodated if accommodated if possible; and we will ensure that the trend in low active cases is sustainable.

**MOTION:** Chad Dance moved to approve revisons for Phase 1 of Reopening Plan as presented effective March 8, 2021. Scott Lynch seconded.

Discussion included to keep mask mandate the same until end of year, considering the timing of this revision, and continuing to follow other important guidelines, such as staying home if you are not well to slow the spread. Vote 3-1; motion carried.

D. Proposed Policy for 30-Day Review (first reading)

4110 Public Complaint (Current Policy)

4112 Uniform Grievance (Current Policy)

4110 Pulbic Complaints and Grievances Revision (Combined Policies)

4110P Public Complaint Procedure (Current Procedure)

4112P Uniform Grievance Procedure (Current Procedure)

4110P Public Complaint and Grievance Procedure Revison (Combined Procedures)

4110F1 Public Complaint and Grievance Concern Form

4110F2 Public Complaint and Grievance Response Form

Chairman Landers invited Dr. Scott Woolstenhulme to present policy for 30-day review. He stated policy 4110 <u>Public Complaints</u> and policy 4112 <u>Uniform Grievances</u> were merged together 4110 <u>Public Compliants and Grievances</u>. The BEA supports the changes.

MOTION: Greg Calder moved to post the policies presented for 30-day review. Chad Dance seconded. Motion carried.

E. <u>Proposed Policy for Deletion</u> 2255 Volunteer Assistance 2255F1 Volunteer Information Sheet 2255F2 Volunteer Confidentiality 2255P Volunteer Assistance Procedures 4190 Volunteer Assistance 4190F1 Volunteer Information Sheet 4190F2 Volunteer Confidentiality 4190P Volunteer Assistance Procedures

Chairman Landers invited Heath Jackson to present policy for deletion. He explained this policy was found in three different locations in the policy manual and have chosen to keep with the Personnel section. There are not changes to the policy itself, just removing duplicates.

**MOTION:** Greg Calder moved to delete policies from the policy manual as presented. Chad Dance seconded. Motion carried.

IX. Call for Agenda Items for Upcoming Meetings

- Review of policy 3010 Open Enrollment
- Educating Levy election
- Refinacing bonds

President's Day, **Monday, February 15, 2021** - No School Virtual Day on the Hill - **Monday, February 15, 2021** Work Session (TCHS/BOHS Student Councils) - **Wednesday, February 24, 2021** - PLC Building - 11:30 a.m. Regular Meeting - **Wednesday, March 10, 2021** - BHS Little Theater - 7:00 p.m. Work Session (HHS Student Council) - **Wednesday, March 17, 2021** - Hillcrest HS - 11:30 a.m. Spring Break - **March 22-26, 2021**- No School

X. Adjournment

Chairman Landers adjourned the meeting at 9:45 p.m. **MOTION:** Chad Dance moved to adjourn. Greg Calder seconded. Motion carried.

APPROVED: \_\_\_\_\_

Chairman

ATTESTED: \_\_\_\_\_

Clerk

DATE: \_\_\_\_\_