

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 371J, PAYETTE AND WASHINGTON COUNTIES, IDAHO, MONDAY, APRIL 13, 2015 AT 7:00 P.M., IN THE PAYETTE HIGH SCHOOL CHOIR ROOM.

	<p>Chairman Gary La Mue called the meeting to order in the Payette High School choir room at 7:00 P.M. with Board members Mona Points, Jessica Lowry and Greg Kelley present. Adam Rynearson was excused.</p>
<p>Agenda Review</p>	<p>Chairman La Mue led those in attendance in the Pledge of Allegiance.</p> <p>Chairman La Mue reviewed then amended the agenda to include a Payette High School overnight field trip request then asked if any trustee wished to make any other changes. There being none Chairman La Mue asked Superintendent Pauline King if there were any introductions.</p>
<p>Introductions</p>	<p>Superintendent King welcomed the Chess Club participants and their families and friends. Participants will be introduced with the presentation of their awards.</p>
<p>Consent Agenda</p>	<p>Chairman La Mue reviewed the consent agenda:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> A. Approve the minutes of March 9th, 20th, and 25th 2015 meetings B. Approve the bills for the month of April C. Personnel Actions: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Hire Ms. Cindy Burke – Payette Primary School teacher 2. Hire Mr. Jason Blackstock – Westside Elementary Special Education teacher 3. Accept the retirement of Ms. Janie Mount – Payette High School Consumer Science teacher
	<p>Chairman La Mue asked if any trustee wished to discuss any item from the consent agenda. There being no discussion, motion was made by Greg Kelley and seconded by Mona Points to approve the consent agenda. Motion carried unanimously.</p>
<p>Presentation of Chess Club Awards</p>	<p>Chess Club Advisor Mr. Kipp McKenzie presented the All-State Chess Tournament awards earned by Payette Primary School and Westside Elementary School Chess Club members to the Board. Mr. McKenzie introduced the students and explained that the tournament included more than 500 students from schools around the state. In addition to the many individual awards earned Payette Primary School 1st grade team finished second in the State and the Westside 5th grade team finished third. The Trustees congratulated the Chess Club for their excellent representation of the Payette School District.</p>
<p>District Math Curriculum Alignment</p>	<p>Payette Primary School Principal Kipp McKenzie presented the details of a district wide collaboration effort to align math curriculum. The following goals of the collaboration effort were presented:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Create a district K-12 map of curriculum being used in classrooms • Assess curriculum being used across the district, locate curriculum holes • Generate curricular communication between the administrative team, teachers, Board of Trustees and patrons • Coordinate the district’s improvement plan with links to the individual building plans • Coordinate professional development based on the school’s need <p>Mr. McKenzie emphasized the value of having a district wide program where administrators and teachers in all schools work together with common language, methods and expectations to ensure continued student growth.</p>

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<p>PHS Overnight Field Trip Request</p>	<p>Payette High School Principal Mark Heleker requested approval for the PHS honors English class to participate in an overnight camping trip to the Garden Valley camp ground May 8-9, 2015. Ms. Thies has a maximum of 19 honor students that would participate in a creative nature writing exercise. At least 5 chaperones will be on the field trip. No district funds will be used for the field trip. Students will pay \$25 each. Motion was made by Greg Kelley and seconded by Jessica Lowry to approve the field trip as requested. Motion carried unanimously.</p>
<p>PHS Academic Programs</p>	<p>Principal Heleker reviewed the many opportunities Payette High School has implemented to assist students that are struggling or failing courses. The number of failing grades at PHS has increased over the past few years. Principal Heleker attributes this trend in part to the distraction of cell phones and the absence of an Alternative High School. The PHS non-use of cell phones policy has been reinstated. Unless specifically requested by a teacher for a class assignment, student owned electronic devices are not allowed in the classroom and will be confiscated if used. Principal Heleker is also in the process of completing the application to reinstate the Payette Alternative School for the 2015-2016 school year. The Alternative School will provide the traditional high school with an option for students to recover lost credits either due to lack of attendance or failure to pass the course and it provides the student with an alternative class environment that may be more conducive to their learning style.</p> <p>To assist this year's academic progress, students with failing grades are required to meet with their Advisory teacher during Pirate Friday extended lunch hours. Advisory teachers will assist with assignments when possible or allow students to meet with the specific course teacher during that time. Before and after school programs are also in place to assist students. Before and after school study hall is a requirement for any athlete with a failing grade. Coaches are provided a list of all students with failing grades. Coaches will ensure that the athlete adheres to the study hall expectations or the student athlete will not practice or compete on the day expectations are not met. The Trustees supported the efforts Principal Heleker discussed.</p>
<p>Recess</p>	<p>A recess was called at 7:45 P. M. The meeting reconvened at 7:48 P.M. Mr. Rynearson joined the meeting at that time.</p>
<p>Executive Session</p>	<p>Barbara Choate read: "Be it resolved by the Board of Trustees of School District 371J Payette, Idaho, as provided in Section 67-2345 (1) (b) and (d) of the Idaho Code, the Board will now go into executive session at 7:48 P.M. for the purpose of student attendance hearings and personnel evaluations. Motion is therefore made by Mona Points and seconded by Greg Kelley that Payette School Board go into executive session."</p> <p>Voting yes: Gary La Mue, Jessica Lowry, Mona Points, Adam Rynearson and Greg Kelley. Voting no: No one</p> <p>The Board was declared out of executive session at 9:45 P.M.</p>
<p>Declare Students Excessively Absent</p>	<p>Motion was made by Mona Points and seconded Jessica Lowry to declare 3 elementary students excessively absent as defined in Payette School District Policy 502.1. Motion carried unanimously.</p>
<p>Coach Evaluations</p>	<p>Winter sport coach evaluations were presented during executive session. Motion was made by Jessica Lowry and seconded by Mona Points to accept the winter coach evaluations. Motion carried unanimously.</p>

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Accept Resignation

Motion was made by Adam Rynearson and seconded by Greg Kelley to accept the resignation of PHS varsity boys basketball coach Bob Dixon. Motion carried unanimously.

Decision not to Rehire

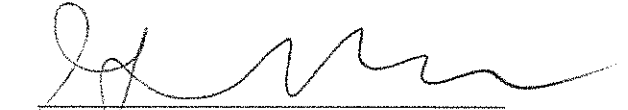
Motion was made by Adam Rynearson and seconded by Mona Points to not rehire a PHS varsity coach.

Adjourn

The meeting adjourned at 9:48 P.M.



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