OFFICIAL MINUTES
JT. SCHOOL DISTRICT #342
CULDESAC, ID 83524

The Board of Trustees held their regular meeting on Wednesday, September 14, 2022 as posted in the school library at 7:00 p.m. Those in attendance were Chairman Cecil Martin, Vice-chairman Bryce Scrimsher, Trustees Mitchell Reid, Andrew Renshaw, Eric Steigers, Superintendent Alan Felgenhauer, Principal Henry Filiponni, Clerk/Treasurer Loretta Hammond-Nichols, Business Manager Julane Lowry and one employee.

ORDER/SALUTE

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

REPORTS AND COMMENTS

Superintendent Report

Budget Status (8/31/22) – Superintendent Felgenhauer reported that the SDE payment of 50% received in August with the next big payment to come in November. These big payments up front of the fiscal year allows the district to have a good cash flow for expenditures as the year progresses. The Food Service Program started with a good beginning balance and will deplete as the year progresses since students are not receiving free meals this year. The percentage of participation drops and parents begin paying for the meals.

Continuous Plan/SIP Tool needs Board review to compare last year student test scores to the upcoming 2022-23 student test scores. CSI-UP school improvement has Culdesac listed in the bottom 5% due to achievement scores. SDE is reviewing the Culdesac scores to compare with the state average scores to measure average growth in Math and ELA testing. ISAT and IRI testing is done with the different grade levels to measure the test score averages against the state student test averages. As a small school we struggle with the average score comparison as every student equals one percent. Mrs. Hewett and Mrs. Hunt in the Title IA Basic Program did a great job working with students to reinforce those basic skills which resulted in better test scores.

Principal Report

Enrollment – Preschool to 6th grade have 75 students, junior high has 14 and high school has 16 with an additional 17 students taking dual credit classes with LCSC on-line.

Events – Thank you to the staff in making the new school year transition smoothly.

Free boots are being donated to the students from the North 40 by the Optum group.

Mrs. Hewett introduced the Muffins with Mom program as a parent involvement activity for the Title IA Basic Program. Orofino is hosting a semi-truck simulator for students to attend to introduce the truck driving industry.

Lapwai library donated bookshelves and cases to the school library.

High School Volleyball season has started with the Highland coop. The three Culdesac girls are learning new skills and their next game is with Nezperce at 6:00 p.m.

Public Comments

School library assistant, Mrs. Carol Hunt, thanked the Prairie Library of Lapwai for the donation of the book shelves for the school library and their help in doing the catalog of all the new books at no charge. Mrs. Hunt commented that the City Librarian, Mrs. Linda Crowe, does story time with the students weekly at the school.

Board Comments

Chairman Martin welcomed the new business manager, Julane Lowry to the meeting. He asked her to ask any questions she had as the meeting goes along to familiarize herself with terminology as needed.

Chairman Martin asked the Principal to poll past graduates to share their experience of the high school transition from Culdesac School to college and the work force. He would be interested in both their struggles and success stories.

CONSENT AGENDA – (Agenda/Minutes/Finance Report/Current Bills/Leave Report Approval/2022-23 Student Handbook Approval/2022-23 Staff Handbook Approval)

Superintendent noted that no changes were needed to the agenda.

Trustee Vice-chairman Scrimsher moved to approve the consent agenda as presented. Seconded by Trustee Mitchell Reid/Motion passed.

ACTION ITEMS AGENDA

Unfinished Business

Second Reading Policy 715.0-Student Dress Code

Superintendent reported that no changes were needed to the policy for the second reading.

Chairman Martin asked if the dress code is enforced when students attend events.

Superintendent noted the event would have to be one that is held at Culdesac to enforce the school dress code.

Vice-chairman Bryce Scrimsher moved to approve the second reading of policy as presented. Seconded by Trustee Eric Steigers/Motion passed.

Second Reading Policy 630.1 – Self-Directed Learner

Superintendent reviewed the changes referenced for the second reading of the policy.

Vice-chairman Bryce Scrimsher moved to approve the second reading of the policy as presented. Seconded by Trustee Andrew Renshaw/Motion passed.

City of Culdesac Property Proposal

Superintendent recommended a response with an option of keeping ownership to the corner piece of the sign property which the sign resides on along with the tennis and basketball court exchange. The counter offer should include the request for the baseball field as well since the property lease is expiring in 2030. The school maintains all the properties at this time as we use those areas for PE and sports.

Chairman Martin noted that the land exchange will not affect taxpayers since all the properties are tax exempt.

Chairman Martin agreed to have the Superintendent make the counter offer to the City. The Main Street school Sign property would be traded with the school keeping the corner piece of the sign portion of property, adding the additional baseball field with both basketball and tennis courts for the exchange.

Trustee Mitchell Reid agreed to the counter offer.

Vice-chairman Scrimsher noted that all easements must be cleaned up or cleared as part of the counter as well.

Trustee Bryce Scrimsher moved to counter the land exchange with the City to include the baseball field, basketball and tennis court with all right away easements cleared and retain ownership of the existing corner of the sign property. Seconded by Trustee Mitchell Reid/Motion passed.

New Business

Board Resignations

Trustee Mitchell Reid submitted his resignation due to additional job duties that does not allow him the time to serve on the board any longer.

Vice-chairman Bryce Scrimsher moved to accept Trustee Mitchell Reids resignation effective at the end of the meeting. Seconded by Trustee Eric Steigers/Motion passed.

Chairman Martin thanked him for the time he served as a Trustee.

Vice-chairman Bryce Scrimsher submitted his resignation due to job duties that does not allow him the time needed to serve on the board any more.

Trustee Eric Steigers moved to accept Trustee Bryce Scrimshers resignation effective at the end of the meeting. Seconded by Trustee Andrew Renshaw/Motion passed.

Chairman Martin thanked him for his time served as Trustee and Vice-chairman on the Board.

Superintendent recommended the Board declare Zones #1 & #2 as vacant due to resignations.

Trustee Eric Steigers moved to declare Zone #1 and #2 vacant due to resignations. Seconded by Trustee Mitchell Reid/Motion passed.

First Reading Policy 104.3 – Annual Organization Meeting

Superintendent explained process of Chairman being able to make a motion. However, Chairman must designate Vice-chairman to reside over meeting during that process. If no Vice-chairman is present, then a Trustee will be designated to reside over the meeting to allow the Chairman the opportunity to make a motion. Once the process is completed, Chairman resumes head of meeting.

Board agreed to the first reading of the policy.

First Reading Policy 626.1 – Nutrition Education

Superintendent made changes to adjust the policy to state that parents are encouraged to provide nutritional snacks which is less restrictive.

Board agreed to the first reading.

Open Enrollment Request

Superintendent reported that the request is from a sibling of an existing student who is attending Culdesac School. The applicant will be enrolled as DC with LCSC.

Vice-chairman Bryce Scrimsher moved to approve the open enrollment request as presented. Seconded by Trustee Andrew Renshaw/Motion passed.

EXECUTIVE SESSION as per IC 74-206 1(b) for Personnel and Student Matters

Vice-chairman Bryce Scrimsher moved to enter executive session as per IC 74-206 1(b) for personnel and student matters. Seconded by Trustee Mitchell Reid/Board Poll: Yes, Yes, Yes, Yes and Yes/Affirmative response.

INTO Executive Session: 7:59 PM	Clerk dismissed from session.	
Personnel – Staff matters discussed.		
Student Matters –Student issues discussed.		
OUT of Executive Session: 8:10 PM		
Chairman announced no decisions were made in executive session.	Superintendent records minutes	

OPEN SESSION

Personnel – No motions at this time

Student Matters – NICH Placement

Vice-chairman Bryce Scrimsher moved to approve one IEP student enrollment at NICH. Second by Trustee Eric Steigers/Motion passed.

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