

SHOSHONE JOINT SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 312
BOARD OF TRUSTEES' MINUTES

Tuesday, August 13, 2013

6:30 p.m. Board Work Session

7:00 p.m. Fee Hearing

7:10 p.m. Regular Monthly Board Meeting

Board Work Session: 6:30 p.m.

Present:

Board Members: Chair Tony Bozzuto. Vice-chair Lorie Race. Trustees: Carl Horn and Rian Pine.

Staff: Carolyn Aoi, Kelly Chapman, Denice Christensen, Melissa Johnston, Emily Nelsen,

Elizabeth Torkelson, Rob Waite and Heather Wallace.

Absent: Casey Bryant, excused; work related.

Guest: None

I. 2013-2014 School Preview:

Superintendent Waite led a discussion regarding the interaction between the Board of Trustees and staff. He reviewed the following points:

- i. The School Board role within the school district.
- ii. The Superintendent's role and basic job description.
- iii. The staff responsibility to carry out their duties.
- iv. Causes of failures or breakdowns within the Board.
- v. Differences of opinion can be discussed through a process.
- vii. Open meeting Laws.
- viii. Board participation.

At the end of the work session Chair Bozzuto opened the discussion with members regarding a notification of a tort claim filed against the Board and individual employees. Chair Bozzuto postponed further conversation by declaring it was time to continue with the scheduled hearing.

Fee Hearing: 7:00 p.m.

Present:

Board Members: Chair Tony Bozzuto. Vice-chair Lorie Race. Trustees: Carl Horn and Rian Pine.

Staff: Carolyn Aoi, Kelly Chapman, Denice Christensen, Melissa Johnston, Emily Nelsen,

Lorraine Simonson, Elizabeth Torkelson, Rob Waite and Heather Wallace.

Absent: Casey Bryant, excused; work related.

Guest: Karma Fitzgerald, Tina Kelley, Shannon Lee, Vickie Pine and Jim Silva.

Chair Bozzuto opened the hearing at 7:06 p.m.:

I. Ipad Fees:

NOTICE WAS GIVEN, THAT the Board of Trustees of Shoshone Joint School District No. 312, Lincoln and Jerome Counties, Idaho opened the public hearing on the new ipad fee for 2013-2014 school year. Hearing was called pursuant to Section 33-801, Idaho code.

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Chair Bozzuto opened the floor for public comment in which Superintendent Waite addressed the Board with the reasoning for ipads, insurance fee which is not mandatory and confusion on whether the fee actually required a hearing.

With no further comments received, Chair Bozzuto closed the fee hearing and no action was made by the Board of Trustees.

A full audio recording of this Hearing is available.

Regular Monthly Meeting 7:10 p.m.

Present:

Board Members: Chair Tony Bozzuto. Vice-chair Lorie Race. Trustees: Carl Horn and Rian Pine. Staff: Carolyn Aoi, Kelly Chapman, Denice Christensen, Melissa Johnston, Emily Nelsen, Elizabeth Torkelson, Rob Waite and Heather Wallace.

Absent: Casey Bryant, excused; work related.

Guest: Karma Fitzgerald, Tina Kelley, Shannon Lee, Vickie Pine and Jim Silva

I. Call to Order:

The monthly school board meeting was called to order at approximately 7:10 p.m. by Chair Bozzuto. Meeting was held in the Shoshone High School Art Room (#278) located at 61 East Highway 24, Shoshone, Idaho.

The Flag Salute was lead by Chair Bozzuto.

II. Consideration of Public Input:

Those wishing to address the Board will fill out a Request to Appear before the Board (1520F) and submit to the District Clerk before the beginning of the meeting. Audience member Karma Fitzgerald asked if the Board would entertain hearing from the public regarding the ipad issue. Chair Bozzuto agreed and briefly cited the rules for public participation.

Public input was received by the Board and in closing, Chair Bozzuto thanked the audience for their attendance.

At this time Chair Bozzuto re-opened the previous discussion regarding the tort claim filed by a family within the district.

- a. Superintendent Waite informed the Board he has been advised by legal counsel that if said Trustee associated with the claim does not remove or recuse himself from the situation, circumstances require communications involving the claim to proceed with caution.
- b. Said Trustee clarified that he could separate himself from the issue of the tort claim.
- c. Superintendent Waite publically announced he, as the superintendent, and Chair Bozzuto are declaring there is a conflict of interest concerning said Trustee in regards to the tort claim.

A full audio recording of this exchange is available.

III. Reports:

A. Shoshone Education Association (S.E.A.):

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No report for the month of August.

B. Shoshone Teachers:

Mrs. Christiansen reported on the following:

- i. The secondary staff recently attended an in-service on curriculum, alignment, standards and assessments. The staff seem to be excited about using the tools throughout the year.
- ii. The elementary staff recently attended a storyline training for the new school year. The first storyline will be literature based and the students will be part of the story. Also, the staff has been working together to make sure they are ready for the common core standards.

C. Student Body:

No report for the month of August.

D. Goals and School Improvement:

Superintendent Waite stated he combined the Goals and School Improvement within the Board Work Session.

IV. Consent Agenda:

A. Approval of Agenda

B. Approval of the Minutes

- i. July 16, 2013: Annual/ Regular Meeting Minutes

C. Weekly Principal/Superintendent Reports

D. Hires for 2013-2014 School Year:

Certified Contracts:

- a. Lauri Hurst- General Secondary Teacher
- b. Kendra Lehmann- First Grade Teacher

Stipend Contracts:

- a. Kelly Chapman- Eighth Grade Girls Volleyball Coach
- b. Melisa Martin- Junior Varsity Girls Basketball Coach
- c. Jessica Perron- Seventh Grade Girls Volleyball Coach

E. Accept Reports as presented

Vice-chair Race made a motion to approve the consent agenda as presented. Trustee Pine seconded.

Discussion:

- i. At the Board's request Principal Chapman briefly reviewed the coaching staff for girls sports.

Chair Bozzuto stated it had been moved and seconded to approve the consent agenda as presented and asked for Trustees' voice vote. Motion carried by a four to zero vote.

V. Financials:

A. Accounts Payable

Vice-chair Race made a motion to approve the Accounts Payable as presented. Trustee Horn seconded.

1 Discussion:

- 2 i. Netchemia, LLC \$500: Superintendent Waite explained that Netchemia is a
3 recruiting program that will allow the district to post job openings,
4 search for applicants and eventually have a paperless application system.
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6 Superintendent Waite briefly updated the Board on the ending budget for 2012-2013 school year
7 and reported the actual expenses seem to be under the set budget amounts. Superintendent Waite
8 shared his concern with the revenue received from the State Department of Education (SDE). As
9 of now the SDE has made a revenue adjustment of \$100,000 to the District's budget.

10 Superintendent Waite explained that he is currently working with the SDE and has discovered
11 that there is an issue with the SDE reporting system and they are working to find a solution.
12 Superintendent Waite assured the Board that the overall budget is in good standing even with the
13 adjustment but hopes the SDE will correct the issue soon. It was also mentioned that many
14 schools across the state have the same issue and they too are working with the SDE.
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16 Chair Bozzuto stated it had been moved and seconded to approve the accounts payable as
17 presented and asked for Trustees' voice vote. Motion carried by a four to zero vote.
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19 **VI. Transportation:**

20 A. Bus Routes for the 2013-2014 School Year:

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22 Trustee Horn made a motion to approve the 2013-2014 bus routes as presented. Trustee Pine
23 seconded.
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25 Discussion:

- 26 i. At the Board's request Principal Chapman and Superintendent Waite clarified the
27 bus routes in the northwest section of the district's boundaries. A brief
28 discussion clarified that the Gooding School District boundary does enter into
29 Lincoln County.
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31 Chair Bozzuto stated it had been moved and seconded to approve the 2013-2014 Bus Routes as
32 presented and asked for trustees' voice vote. Motion carried by a four to zero vote.
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34 **VII. School Board Training- Key Works of School Boards:**

35 Superintendent Waite mentioned that the new teacher orientation will be held on August 14, 2013
36 and he will discuss:

- 37 i. The star rating program and where our school district is currently rated. On a
38 side note, Superintendent Waite was very pleased with the district's recognition
39 from an article published in the Statesman Newspaper.
40 ii. Staff procedures
41 iii. Long range planning
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43 **VIII. Motion for Adjournment:**

44 Next Meeting:

45 Regular: Tuesday, September 10th, 2013, 6:30 p.m.: Board Work Session
46 Tuesday, September 10th, 2013, 7:00 p.m. Regular Meeting
47 Shoshone High School Art Room (#278)
48 61 East Highway 24
49 Shoshone, Idaho 83352
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1 Vice-chair Race made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:46 p.m. Trustee Horn seconded
2 Discussion: None

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4 Chair Bozzuto stated it had been moved and seconded to adjourn the meeting and asked for
5 Trustees' voice vote. Motion carried by a four to zero vote.

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7 Heather Wallace, District Clerk
8 August 13, 2013
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11 This document serves as the official minutes of the August 13, 2013 Board Meeting. A full audio
12 recording of the minutes is also kept as a support document.