

MELBA SCHOOL DISTRICT #136
Minutes of the Meeting of the Board of Trustees
Tuesday, October 10, 2017
Melba School District Office

- I. CALL TO ORDER at 5:00 by Chairman Ed Smith.** Flag salute was held.
- II. ROLL CALL:** In attendance were Trustees Ed Smith, Susan Jaca, Jason Knopp and Travis Christensen, Superintendent Andy Grover, Business Manager Dalelyn Allen, Administrative Assistant Jackie Engle, Board Clerk Beth Cole, Principals Eric Forsgren and Sherry Ann Adams, Student Council representatives Mindy Lincoln, Cheylah Vokers, Paxton Goodman, patrons Mrs. Bowman, Bailey Bowman, Officer Lindsey, student Jewel Gates.

Student Council representative Vokers reported on Homecoming activities and plans for the Veterans Day Assembly on November 9, 2017. Paxton Goodman discussed their grant application for the Tobacco 21 National Campaign and a seat belt use program.

III. CONSENT AGENDA

Motion to approve the Consent Agenda was passed.

- A. Approval of Agenda
- B. Approval of Minutes of 9/12/2017
- C. Approval of Bills of 10/10/2017 and misc. hand checks
- D. Approval of Elementary, Jr/Sr High financial reports

Motion to approve by Trustee Jason Knopp.
Seconded by Trustee Susan Jaca.
Motion carried.

IV. SPECIAL REPORTS

A. Dr. Grover reviewed student numbers. Classes are staying consistently over 800 students with current enrollment at 839.

B. Superintendent Grover discussed bids to repair the roof on the high school building. After considering the expense of redoing the roof the Maintenance Department agreed to do the work. Dr. Grover commended Eric and James for their hard work and expertise and their willingness to step up and do the extra work.

C. Improvements to the locking gate at the Elementary School are being made. Cameras are also being placed on the football field in response to vandalism and theft problems. A letter was sent to parents, asking for their help in stemming the increasing vandalism. The district would like to leave that area open for common use.

V. OLD BUSINESS

A. Policies from the 3000 section of the Policy Book were reviewed by staff members and approved. A motion to approve the second reading of policies in the 3000 Student Section was passed.

Motion to approve by Trustee Jason Knopp.
Seconded by Trustee Susan Jaca.
Vote was unanimous.

VI. NEW BUSINESS

A. No contractor payment was presented.

B. No architect payment was presented.

C. A motion to approve the facilities request for the Community Auction was passed.

Motion by Trustee Travis Christensen.
Seconded by Trustee Jason Knopp.
Vote was unanimous.

D. The Board discussed and made recommendations on ISBA resolutions as follows:

1. No
2. No
3. Yes
4. Yes
5. Yes
6. Yes
7. No
8. Yes
9. Yes
10. Dropped
11. Yes
12. Yes
13. No
14. Dropped
15. Yes
16. Yes
17. Yes

E. Jewel Gates requested permission to bring a service dog in training to school. She is working with the Genesis program out of Meridian. The board discussed the precedent being set and the current policy of the district. A motion to deny the request was passed. The Board will update their policy on this issue to limit service animals unless tied to a senior project and a limit of two dogs would be allowed in any one year, one with an 11th grade student and one with a 12th grade student.

Motion by Trustee Jason Knopp.
Seconded by Trustee Travis Christensen.
Vote was unanimous.

F. The district has an opportunity to purchase a white bus for athletic trips. This would replace the black van and would cost approximately \$17,000. A motion to approve the purchase was passed.

Motion by Trustee Jason Knopp.
Seconded by Trustee Travis Christensen.
Vote was unanimous.

G. A motion to approve an extended trip request for Natalie Welch to host an Explore America tour was passed.

Motion by Trustee Travis Christensen.
Seconded by Trustee Jason Knopp.
Vote was unanimous.

H. Tabled until Executive Session.

I. A motion to approve the extended trip request for the baseball team to attend the Harrison Classic in Utah was passed.

Motion by Trustee Travis Christensen.
Seconded by Trustee Jason Knopp.
Vote was unanimous.

- J. A motion to approve an extended trip request for the Student Council** to attend a STAND (Supporting Teens Against Nicotine Dependence) workshop was passed.

Motion by Trustee Travis Christensen.
Seconded by Trustee Jason Knopp.
Vote was unanimous.

- K. Bailey Bowman and Officer Lindsey requested permission to present a student safety program** "Don't Let Send be the End". They will stage a car accident and funeral to promote a decision to never text and drive. This would be Bailey's senior project. The Board emphasized the importance of communication with parents and the community. A motion to approve the project was passed.

Motion by Trustee Travis Christensen.
Seconded by Trustee Jason Knopp.
Vote was unanimous.

VII. EXECUTIVE SESSION

In accordance with Idaho Code 74-206 a motion was made that the board convene in executive session for the purpose of discussing matters pertaining to personnel issues at 6:25 p.m.

Motion by Trustee Jason Knopp.
Seconded by Trustee Susan Jaca.
Vote was unanimous

The Board recessed from Executive Session at 6:45 p.m.

Motion by Trustee Jason Knopp.
Seconded by Trustee Susan Jaca.
Vote was unanimous.

A motion to approve a salary increase of \$1,500 to Employee A and \$2,000 to Employee B was passed.

Motion by Trustee Jason Knopp.
Seconded by Trustee Travis Christensen.
Vote was unanimous.

VIII. STANDING REPORTS

- A. The board reviewed Principal and Financial reports** for the month.

IX. MOTION TO ADJOURN AT 6:50 p.m.