

Regular Board Meeting (Tuesday, October 19, 2021)

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Present: Jon Abrams, Kirk Willie, Brandon Ward, Tresie Carter, Chalaee Teeple, Carlean Tubbs, Brent Evanson

Public: 10

Zoom: 2

1. Executive Session-begin 5:33pm adjourned: 5:58pm

2. Opening Items.

Procedural: A. Call to Order-6:02

B. Pledge of Allegiance-Chalaee Teeple

C. Prayer-Brent Evanson

Procedural: D. Approve Agenda

Motion to approve agenda made by Brandon Ward, motion seconded by Brent Evanson,
Motion passed 6-0

3. Consent Agenda.

Procedural: A. Minutes of Previous Meetings-Sept. 21, 2021

Recommended Action: Motion to approve minutes from board meeting Sept. 21, 2021

Motion to approve previous minutes made by Brandon Ward, seconded by Tresie Carter, Motion passed 6-0

Action (Consent): B. Oct. 2021 Payables

Motion to approve payables made by Brandon Ward, seconded by Brent Evanson, motion passed 6-0

Action (Consent): C. Oct. 2021 Personnel

Recommended Action: Motion to approve Oct. 2021 new personnel

Motion to approve new personnel made by Brent Evanson, seconded by Tresie Carter, motion passed 6-0

Oct. 2021-Personnel

Camberlee Stoll-MMS Sped Aide (29.5 hrs week)

Hailey Peterson-Substitute Teacher

Stacy Burton- Substitute Teacher

Holly Kelley- Substitute Teacher

Evan Howe-Substitute Teacher

Tyler Cook-Substitute Teacher

Elizabeth Kent- Alternative Authorization-teacher to new certificate (Bus Education)

Amanda Skeen-Alternative Authorization-teacher to new certificate (add Sped PreK)

Alessandra Peterson-ABCTE Alternative Authorization for Secondary Mathematics (IHLA)

Heather Gibbens-ABCTE Alternative Authorization for Special Education (IHLA)

Holly Carlson-ABCTE Alternative Authorization for Special Education (IHLA)

Callie Robbins-Records Manager for IHLA

Wendy Eastman- Content Specialist IHLA
Tia Talbot- Option 4, Teacher to New Certificate Endorsement, MHS
Helen Ward-MHS volunteer choir accompanist
Kristy Williams-MHS volunteer soccer coach
Terry Davis-MHS Wrestling Specialty Coach
Tyson Daniels-MHS Assistant Girls' Basketball Specialty Coach
Stacy Burton- bus driver
Tom Maddox-bus driver
Nicole Wells-bus driver
Amanda Tripp-cook MES

4. Requests/Recognitions

Discussion: A. EOM-Susan Clark
Presentation made Sarah McIntyre

5. Public Input-none

6. Reports

Discussion: A. SES, MES, MMS, MHS, IHLA

MES- Presented by Sarah McIntyre. Thanked all those that are helping with the veteran's program; Dragon Leaders is habit #2 for the month of October. Test scores for reading and math were presented. Looking forward MES is understaffed with classified staff, dealing with learning loss from COVID interruptions, wide gap of learning among students, absences are up, 25% of students have 4 or more absences since school started, not including quarantine. The principal is putting together a plan for a Friday invitation only school, doing teacher PD on how to handle the learning loss. Students are missing multiple days and teachers are trying to get students caught up. Most absences are due to illness. Question was asked about test scores-these scores are for one month. Can we do a comparison or show trend-up or down. Also compare test scores from last year to this year, compare same students

MMS- Presented by Robert Hannah. All tests at the MMS have improved, trending upwards in scores, attendance is not as bad as MES. MMS participated in Scratch for Schools, MMS won \$197. MMS finished entire football season without any student missing a game, they all stayed at a C or higher. That was a good incentive. Wrestling and girls' basketball have started. P/T conferences were held last week by appointment.

Volleyball teams did well at district. 8th grade won 1st, 7th grade won 2nd. The Halloween dance will be Oct. 28 during 7th period.

MHS- Presented by Michael Corbett. Math and English benchmarking are done. Math was almost 70% proficient, English was lower, about 40%. Students don't take it seriously; Mr. Abrams has offered some incentives. In the process of identifying students at risk and need intervention. Sports are going well. Volleyball is in the middle of district games. XC district is Oct 20 in Grace. Girls are ranked 2nd in state. Academically MHS is struggling with attendance. About 70 students were out for the deer hunt on Monday, Oct. 11. Attendance has dropped to 89% for the first time in years. Seniors are the lowest in attendance. Attendance has been a struggle-staff is working with everyone to keep students caught up in classes. Athletes are doing great with keeping a C or higher. Students have attended the Friday school with teachers to get caught up. Dance scheduled for Oct. 23. Oct. 20 in the afternoon there will be a career fair, 18 speakers will be in attendance, students will have 4 options to attend. Presentations start at 1:30pm

IHLA- Presented by Terri Sorenson. There are about 6100 students enrolled. Had to hire a few more teachers. Special Ed numbers are very high. Teachers are doing a great job. IHLA high school received a grant for \$24,000. IHLA is focusing on training teachers at the high school level. 2900 students at the elementary level are taking the IRI. Shooting for higher scores in the spring. 9th and 10th grade were added last year, this year added 11th grade. IHLA is accredited from K-12. IHLA high school is doing much better this year. HS has more stringent rules than a traditional home school setting, so some students transferred out.

SES- presented by Mr. Abrams. Pleased with staff at SES, ISAT scores for last year's 3rd graders are good, most are basic or proficient. Presented graphs and scores for tests of students. Students are working hard to improve. Mr. Abrams will present updated scores for individual students each month. Teachers help students set goals regularly.

B. Superintendent- discussion on items below

7. Discussion

A. Asbestos update: Asbestos abatement project going well, and almost done. Once the project is done the old gym will be open up for use. Main building entrance will need to be blocked off. There are some things that need to be done to the old gym and restrooms, but it will be able to be used in a few weeks.

B. Trustee Rezoning Project

The board needs to decide if they want to rezone and equal up all the zones or write for an exception for Stone/Holbrook. The school board association will do the rezoning if board decides to even up district zones.

The board thinks the district should rezone, so all zones are an equal number of people. Stone and Holbrook want someone to represent them and have a board member from there. But the same situation exists with Samaria. A letter needs to be written or zones need to be rezoned. Board members are trustees and should do what is best for their zone.

This will be moved to next month's agenda as an action item.

C. ISBA convention in Boise-reserve large van for Tuesday, Nov. 17th. Tresie and Chalaie will drive up on Wednesday by themselves.

Discussion: D. Troy Bird-old HS greenhouse

Troy Bird would like to get permission to get rid of the old HS Greenhouse. H would like to declare it as surplus property and offer it up to the community to bid on "As is, Where is". The buyer will be responsible to remove it from the school grounds. Mr. Bird would like to open the bidding as soon as the action is approved by the board and close bidding on November 4th. The HS will require the structure to be moved by November 15th. Bidding will be performed through sealed envelope bid that can be turned in to Tansy at the HS office.

Original plans were to keep it, but they now want to get rid of it. It is in rough shape and would be costly to repair it. A new greenhouse has been ordered.

8. Action Items

Action: A. Old HS Greenhouse

Recommended Action: Motion to approve old High School Greenhouse as surplus property and open bidding to the community. Greenhouse will be sold "as is" to the highest bidder with the buyer removing the greenhouse from the HS property by November 15th.

Motion to approve old greenhouse as surplus property made by Brandon Ward, seconded by Tresie Carter. Motion passed 6-0

Action: B. Change date of November board meeting

Recommended Action: Motion to change the date of the November board meeting from Nov. 16th to Nov. 9th or Nov. 23rd.

Motion made to move November board meeting to Nov. 9th. Motion made by Brandon Ward, seconded by Brent Evanson. Motion passed 6-0.

Action: C. December Board Meeting Date

Recommended Action: Motion to change board meeting from December 21st to December 14.

Motion was made to leave board meeting on Dec 21st, motion made by Tresie Carter, seconded by Brandon Ward. Motion passed 6-0

Action: D. Change February Board Meeting Date

Recommended Action: Motion to move Board meeting in February from February 15 to February 8.

Motion to move meeting to Feb 8 made by Brandon Ward, seconded by Tresie Carter. Motion passed 6-0

Action: E. Second Reading-Policy 3260 Dress Code

Recommended Action: Motion to approve second and final reading changes to dress code Policy 3260 as presented.

Motion to approve 2nd reading of policy 3260 made by Brandon Ward, seconded by Tresie Carter. Motion passed 6-0

Action: F. Drug Policy 3305

Recommended Action: Motion to approve changes in drug testing policy on first and final reading.

Motion to approve drug policy made by Brandon Ward, seconded by Brent Evanson. Motion passed 6-0

Will outside agency follow MHS policy? Yes, they will do whatever the protocol is set forth by MHS. Wendy Alder will make the changes requested by the board.

Action: G. JUUL Vaping Litigation

Recommended Action: Whereas the District recognizes that vaping is a national and local problem impacting upon student health and the disciplinary operation of the District; and whereas multi-district litigation is pending against JUUL, as well as its shareholders in Federal Court; and whereas the Board, having considered the inclusion of the District in this multi-district litigation and having found it to be in the best interest of the District and its students, I hereby move that the Board take all necessary steps to join this lawsuit as a Plaintiff against JUUL and direct the Board's Chairman and/or Superintendent to execute all appropriate documents to that end.

Motion to join Vaping litigation made by Brandon Ward, seconded by Tresie Carter. Motion passed 6-0

Superintendent will do the paperwork to join the litigation.

Action: H. New Yellow School Bus

Recommended Action: Motion to approve bid process for a new yellow school bus

Motion made to approve bid process of a new yellow school bus by Tresie Carter, seconded by Brent Evanson. Motion passed 6-0

Action: I. Purchase of new district car

Recommended Action: Motion to increase the price of the purchase of a new district car up to \$27,000.

Motion to approve increase of price for new district car made by Brandon Ward, seconded by Chala Teeples. Motion passed 6-0

Question was asked if new travel bus was ready to be used. The district is waiting on licensing for travel bus, as soon as that comes through it is ready to be used.

9. Adjourn-motion to adjourn meeting made by Tresie Carter, seconded by Brandon Ward.

Motion passed 6-0

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