

Salmon School District #291
Board of Trustees
Board Minutes
July 20, 2020

The meeting was called to order by Chairman, Chuck Overacker at 5:31 p.m.

Present were Chairman Chuck Overacker, Vice Chair Juniper MacFarlane, Trustee Richard Natelson, Trustee Tammy Dahle, and Trustee Kellen Miller attended via telecommunications. A Quorum was present. Also present were Superintendent Chris Born and Director of Finance, Planning and Program Evaluation, Eileen Holden, and Board Clerk Chaylin Olson.

Executive Session

Trustee Natelson motioned to go into 74-206(1) b, d: To consider the evaluation, dismissal or disciplining of, or to hear complaints or charges brought against, a public officer, employee, staff member, individual agent or public school student to consider records that are exempt from disclosure as provided by law. Trustee Dahle seconded the motion. Passed 5/0.

The following trustees voted to go into Executive Session: Vice Chair MacFarlane, Trustee Dahle, Trustee Natelson, Trustee Miller, and Chairman Overacker. Passed 5/0.

The Board moved into Executive Session at 5:33 p.m.

The Board discussed Student A.

The Board moved out of Executive Session at 6:02 p.m.

Regular Session

The Board moved into Regular Session at 6:04 p.m.

Chairman Chuck Overacker led everyone in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Public Input

No public input.

Action Items

Approve Agenda

Trustee Natelson motioned to approve the amended agenda for the July 20, 2020 meeting. Trustee Dahle seconded. Passed 5/0.

Consent Agenda

1. Meeting Minutes for June 15, 2020
2. Treasurer's Report
3. Accounts Payable June 2020
4. Personnel Recommendations

Trustee Natelson motioned to approve the consent agenda, seconded by Trustee MacFarlane. Passed 5/0. Trustee Natelson abstained from the Personnel Recommendations.

New Business

Possible Action for (Student A)

Trustee Macfarlane moved to allow student A to enroll in the first quarter of the 20-2021 school year with the stipulations that Student A will pass all core classes, have no disciplinary infractions, and that Student A will meet with the Dean of Students once a week. Student A will not be permitted transportation in any district vehicle. If Student A meets these parameters, the Board will consider further enrollment. Trustee Dahle seconded. Passed 4/1 with Trustee Natelson opposing.

Request to Approve Negotiations

Director Holden explained that in the packet she had highlighted the changes for the Board Members. Overacker thanked the negotiation team.

With Superintendent Born's recommendation, Trustee MacFarlane motioned to approve the negotiated changes to the Master Agreement for the 2020-21 contract year. Trustee Natelson seconded the motion. Passed 5/0.

Request for Food Service Operations

With Superintendent Born's recommendation, Trustee MacFarlane motioned to approve the operation of the food service program for the 2020-21 school year. Trustee Natelson seconded. Passed 5/0.

Possible Maintenance Contract

Director Holden explained the contract presented in the board packet.

With Superintendent Born's recommendation, Trustee MacFarlane motioned to approve the maintenance contract for the high school roof. Trustee Dahle seconded. Passed 4/0 with Trustee Natelson abstaining.

Request for Change in School Calendar 2020-21 School Year

With Superintendent Born's recommendation, Trustee MacFarlane motioned to approve the proposed changes to the school calendar for the 2020-21 school year. Motion was seconded by Trustee Dahle. Passed 5/0.

Review of Special Services

Director Holden explained that she has been approached by an individual who believed that they could give the school a competitive deal on services for the upcoming year so Director Holden requested that the Board open up the contracts to other businesses so that they could compare.

With Superintendent Born's recommendation, Trustee Dahle motioned to approve the opening of service contracts to all licensed vendors. Trustee Miller seconded the motion. Passed 3/0 with Trustee MacFarlane and Trustee Natelson abstaining from the motion.

Proposed Reopening Plan

Born went over the Eastern Idaho Public Health worksheet included in the board packet and explained the different stages and how they would look in the Salmon School District #291 schools (also included in the reopening plan.) He explained that things would most likely change before school starts. Discussion included: recording classes for students, attendance policy, and masks for employees/students.

With Superintendent Born's recommendation, Trustee Natelson motioned to approve the proposed plan to start school in the fall. Trustee MacFarlane seconded. Passed 5/0.

Proposed CARES Act Education Recovery School

Superintendent explained the CARES Act Education Recovery School to the Board. He told them he believed the money could be spent in a better place that would benefit all student rather than just a few that would come to the summer classes.

With Superintendent Born's recommendation, Trustee MacFarlane motioned that they do not have summer school and instead spend the monies on COVID-19 related items. Dahle seconded. Passed 5/0.

Proposed School Bus Routes/Stops for the 2020-21 School Year

With Superintendent Born's recommendation, Trustee MacFarlane motioned to approve the bus routes/ stops for the 2020-21 school year. Trustee Dahle seconded. Passed 5/0.

Approval of the 2020-21 Salmon Jr./Sr. High School Student Handbook

With Superintendent Born's recommendation, Trustee Natelson motioned to approve the proposed student handbook for SJSHS for the 2020-21 school year. Trustee Dahle seconded. Passed 5/0.

Approval of the 2020-21 Pioneer School Student Handbook

With Superintendent Born's recommendation, Trustee Dahle motioned to approve the proposed student handbook for the Pioneer Elementary School with the minor change of the Counselors name for the 2020-21 school year. Trustee Natelson seconded. Passed 5/0

Superintendent(s) Contract

Trustee Natelson motioned to approve a 1-year contract and 5% raise for the superintendent (s) 2020-21 school year contract. Trustee MacFarlane seconded. Passed 5/0.

In the discussion Superintendent Born explained that in the October 2020 Board Meeting he would let them know that the job would be posted shortly after and that the Board may need to get together to discuss the job description/posting for the Superintendent position.

Proposed Board Policy Changes: (1000’s First Reading)

Superintendent Born went over the policy changes included in the Board Packet.

With Superintendent Born’s recommendation, Trustee Natelson motioned to approve the first reading of the 1000 policies. Trustee Miller seconded. Passed 5/0.

Information Items

Pioneer Administrators Report

Jill Patton attended via telecommunications. She said she didn’t have a report but is thrilled to work with the Board.

Salmon Jr./Sr. High School Administrators Report

Rustan Bradshaw reported he and his teachers were ready to be back to school.

Director of Finance, Planning, and Program Evaluation Report

Director Eileen Holden reported that with the end of the year here the District Office had been working hard to get all the year-end bills paid. She told the Board that the accounts payable was the cleanest they have had in a few years. She told the Board that Jan Seher had been working on reports for the auditor. Director Holden told the Board that she has been keeping track of money that was submitted for June. She told them that it will be reimbursed in July so the payment would have to be booked back to the 2019-20 school year.

Director Holden told the Board that she had been chosen to sit on the Math Standards Committee by the State Department of Ed. She explained that they were given some homework and the November meeting would conflict with ISBA conference so she may not be able to attend ISBA with the Board Members.

Superintendent’s Report

Superintendent Born reported that he had the Kindergarten round up numbers. He told the Board that there were not enough for three classes, so they are looking at doing a split 1st and Kindergarten class.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 7:53 p.m.

Chuck Overacker, Chairman

Date

Chaylin Olson, Board Clerk

Date