

**Minutes of the Regular
Board Meeting
Joint Jefferson School District #251**

January 18, 2011

Members of the Board met with the District Leadership Committee from 1:30 -4:00. They discussed the District Improvement plan and reviewed the latest Lighthouse survey data.

The Board met in a work session from 4:00-5:30. They made goals for improvement as follows:

1. The Board committed to attend the District Leadership Committee meetings in order to be directly involved with the examination of student performance data and plans to improve that performance. They decided that they must be involved with examining data but determined that Board meetings are not the best venue to do that. They felt that this study of student performance data is best done when small groups can work collaboratively and dialogue about it in a more informal setting where questions and theories can be explored.
2. Schedule work sessions with individual schools to hear formative progress on their plans to contribute to the District Improvement Plan of improving language usage and writing. There will be one day per quarter that 3 of the improvement teams from the schools will meet with the Board to report and dialogue about how their plan to improve language usage and writing performance is progressing.
3. Schedule time during Board meetings when they and the public can be educated regarding the programs and processes that are being used in the District.
4. During the summer months schedule schools to give summative reports on how their plan to improve language usage and writing performance went and what refinements they are planning for the next year.

MOTION: Moved by Mr. Hancock at 6:00 p.m. that the Board enter executive session as per Idaho Code 67-2345 (a)(b)(c)(d), 2nd by Mr. Peterson. A roll call was taken and the meeting began.

Mr. Clark	“aye”
Mr. Hancock	“aye”
Dr. Peterson	“aye”
Mr. Peterson	“aye”
Mrs. Robison	“aye”
Mr. Hepworth	“aye”

Absent: Dr. Stephens

Executive session concluded at 6:30 p.m.

REGULAR SESSION: 6:38 P.M.

Present: Dr. Peterson, Mrs. Robison, Mr. Peterson, Mr. Clark, Mr. Hancock, Mr. Hepworth, Superintendent Ron Tolman, Don Bingham, Nile Hall, and Rhonda Merrill

Absent: Dr. Stephens

Those in Attendance: Ben Dansie, Juli Stricklan, Roseanne Henry, Gary Comstock, Rachael Wilson, Heather Tucker, Doug Siddoway, Jeff Cravens, Holly Mickelsen, Sherry Simmons, Yvonne Thurber, Debby Lund, LaRell Grahams, Steve Young, Keith Scholes, Michele Southwick, Becky Vasas, Rod and Yvette Boyce, Odila Conica, Clarissa Morris, Diane Clark, Ted Mecham, Eric Jensen

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Peterson at 6:38 p.m. Ben Dansie led the Pledge of Allegiance and Nile Hall offered the invocation.

MOTION: Moved by Mr. Hancock that the Board approve the minutes of the Dec. 8, 2010 Board meeting, 2nd by Mrs. Robison, voted and passed unanimously.

MOTION: Moved by Mrs. Robison that the Board approve the agenda for the Jan. 18, 2011 Board meeting, 2nd by Mr. Peterson, voted and passed unanimously.

I. Recognition

1. Rigby High School Volleyball awarded Sportsmanship Award for State of Idaho. Mr. Craven accepted the award for the team. He commended the team.
2. Connie Surerus and Afton Nukaya awarded the INL Informal STEM grant for \$2,000.
3. South Fork Elementary received a \$750. grant from Basic American Foods for the student recognition program.

II. Patron comments

1. Rosanne Henry thanked the Board for the Christmas Chamber of Commerce certificates and also the opportunity to input for the Education Jobs Funds.

III. Consent Agenda—Section 1

1. It was recommended that the Board approve the following personnel changes:

Hire/Resignation	Name	Position	School
Intern	Kim Azbill	Counselor	Rigby Jr. High School
Leave without pay	Jessica Balls	Teacher	Jefferson Elementary
New Hire	Quinn Robins	Teacher	Rigby High School
New Hire	Jamie Gilbert	Paraprofessional	Jefferson Elementary

New Hire	Jessica Allen	Paraprofessional	Jefferson Elementary
New Hire	Ramona Sims	Overflow aide/cafeteria duty	Jefferson Elementary
New Hire	Kimberly Coffin	Overflow aide	Jefferson Elementary
Resignation	Elizabeth Page	Paraprofessional	
Resignation	Brandy Moad	Paraprofessional	District
Resignation	Sarah Packer	Teacher	Rigby High School
Resignation	Linda Summers	Technician	Technology Department
Resignation	Donna Bigelow	Paraprofessional	Jefferson Elementary
Resignation	Shanda Thompson	Paraprofessional	Jefferson Elementary
Retirement	Diana Tomita	Secretary	Rigby High School
Stipend	Quinn Robins	Tennis Coach	Rigby High School
Stipend	Nicole Nordstrom	Golf assistant coach	Rigby High School
Student teaching	Elizabeth Page	Student Teacher	
Student teaching	Laura Sievers	Student Teacher	Roberts Elementary
Student Teaching	Lindsey Thompson	Student Teacher	Roberts Elementary
Volunteer	Katie Neibaur	Assistant cheer coach	Rigby High School

MOTION: Moved by Mrs. Robison that the Board accept Consent Agenda, Section I as recommended, 2nd by Mr. Hepworth, voted and passed unanimously.

IV. Consent Agenda—Section 2, Financial

1. Approval of accounts payable was requested.
2. Approval of the financial report was requested.

MOTION: Moved by Mr. Hepworth that the Board approve accounts payable and the financial report, while abstaining from the accounts payable related to his request for payment for mileage, 2nd by Mrs. Robison, voted and passed unanimously.

3. Acceptance of bid for a 1 acre parcel near the new Rigby High School. The bid was higher than the appraised value.

MOTION: Moved by Mr. Hepworth that the Board approve the bid for \$38,000 from the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints for the parcel, 2nd by Mr. Hancock, voted and passed unanimously.

4. Acceptance of a bid for the old District Office.

MOTION: Moved by Mr. Hancock that the Board approve the sale of the old District Office for \$15,000 from Split Rock Investments, LLC, 2nd by Mr. Clark, voted and passed unanimously.

5. Consideration for the recommendation for perpetual lease of the cell tower lease; a recommendation was made to continue with the yearly lease.

MOTION: Moved by Mr. Clark that the Board not consider the sale of the property, and continue with the yearly lease, 2nd by Mr. Hancock, voted and passed unanimously.

6. Recommendation for using the Education Job Funds.
The recommendation was made to take no action of the job education funds and postpone any decision on restoring furlough days until after considering the results of the teacher input.

MOTION: Moved by Mrs. Robison that the Board approve the recommendation on the Education Jobs Funds based in part on the recommendation from the JCEA, 2nd by Mr. Peterson, voted and passed unanimously.

V. Consent Agenda—Section 3, Policy

1. Approval for the 1st reading of revised Board Policy #1110, Election

MOTION: Moved by Mr. Hepworth that the Board approve the 1st reading of Board Policy #1110, as recommended, 2nd by Mrs. Robison voted and passed unanimously.

VI. Board Discussion Items

1. Holly Mickelsen, Executive Director of the Education Foundation, presented information to the Board regarding the Foundation. She reported progress in educating the public and the opportunity for money making ideas and grant proposals. The Board asked that she report monthly and redesign the webpage for the Foundation. She asked for approval for 7 grant requests. Mr. Hepworth asked that the Foundation prepare a balance sheet monthly also.

MOTION: Moved by Mr. Hancock that the Board approve the grants for the Foundation, 2nd by Mr. Clark, voted and passed unanimously.

2. Dr. Peterson reported the results of the Superintendent's evaluation. The Board reported that they are very pleased with Dr. Tolman and the work he has done, especially in academics, facilities, and personnel. They wish to extend his contract for 3 more years; with the same pay because of the district budget constraints; with furlough restoration applicable to that of teachers.

MOTION: Moved by Mr. Hepworth that the Board approve Dr. Tolman's contract as recommended, 2nd by Mr. Peterson, voted and passed unanimously.

VII. Information Items

1. The monthly food service report was presented.

Dr. Peterson adjourned the meeting at 7:15 p.m.