

January 23rd, 2019 Regular Meeting Minutes

Executive Session—5:30 p.m.

Regular Meeting—6:30 p.m.

The Board of Trustees of Kamiah Jt. School District met in the Kamiah High School Library. Board Members present were Chairman Rikki Simler, Vice Chairman Herman Yates, Board Member Don Skinner and Board Member Damon Keen. Also present for the meeting was Superintendent Steve Higgins, Clerk Tracy Lynde and Business Manager Patty Hamilton. Board Member Brandaan deGroot was late.

SECTION H---EXECUTIVE SESSION

At 5:34 p.m., Moved by Board Member Skinner to go into Executive Session, as per section 74-206 (1) of the Idaho Code, subsection (s):

- (a) To consider hiring a public officer, employee, staff member or individual agent, wherein the respective qualities of individual s are to be evaluated in order to fill a particular vacancy or need. This paragraph does not apply to filling a vacancy in an elective office or deliberations about staffing needs in general;*
- (b) To consider the evaluation, dismissal, or disciplining of, or to hear complaints or charges brought against, a public officer, employee, staff member, or individual agent, or public school student;*

Motion was seconded by Vice Chairman Yates. Chairman Simler called for a roll call vote. Chairman Simler voted Aye, Board Member Skinner voted Aye, Board Member Keen voted Aye and Vice Chairman Yates voted Aye. Motion carried.

Personnel Issues were discussed.

Board Member deGroot moved to adjourn the Executive Session at 6:29 p.m. Board Member Skinner seconded the motion. Chairman Simler called for a vote. The Board voted Aye unanimously. Motion carried.

SECTION A---OPENING ACTIVITIES (6:30 P.M.)

I. Call Meeting to Order

At 6:34 p.m., Chairman Simler welcomed the audience and called the Regular Meeting to order.

II. Pledge of Allegiance

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Thomas Moss-Mosley, Student.

III. Public Comments

Chairman Simler asked for public comments on non-agenda items. There was no public input at this time.

SECTION B---Action Items---CONSENT AGENDA

I. Approval of Minutes

- December 17th, 2018—Regular Meeting Minutes
- January 16th, 2019—Special Meeting Minutes

II. Approval of Bills

III. Approval of Resignation

- Joe Sams—Junior High School Boys' Basketball

IV. Approval to Hire

- Janine Wilson—Driver's Education Instructor

Superintendent Higgins recommended the approval of the Consent Agenda. Board Member deGroot moved to approve the Consent Agenda. Vice Chairman Yates seconded the motion. Chairman Simler called for a vote. The Board voted aye unanimously. Motion carried.

SECTION C---Action Items---PL-874 HEARING

Chairman Simler called The PL-874 Hearing to order.

Superintendent Higgins and Principal Flerchinger informed the Board of Trustees and audience how the Impact Aid Revenue affects programs, including extracurricular activities, within their schools. They did state that all programs are accessible and available to all students.

Superintendent Higgins explained that Impact Aid revenue received by the District is based on the number of students served by Kamiah Joint School District whose parents live and/or work on federal lands. PL-874 monies come from Federal Land including tribal and reservation lands that do not generate money from resident's taxes. The PL-874 funds are paid by the Federal Government in lieu of local taxes to help support the school district. Superintendent Higgins continued by saying that school district may use their Impact Aid payments for whatever expenses they choose, such as teacher salaries, utilities, facilities maintenance, and supplies.

Chairman Simler asked if there were any comments from the audience. No comments.

Board Member deGroot moved to approve the submission of the Public Law 874 application. Board Member Keen seconded the motion. Chairman Simler called for a vote. The Board voted aye unanimously. Motion carried.

Chairman Simler adjourned The PL-874 Hearing.

SECTION D---Action Items---REPORTS

I. Board Trustee Reports

No reports given.

II. Superintendent's Report & Recognitions

Superintendent Higgins informed the Board of Trustees of the following:

Program:

- * Kamiah School District received full approval on its Continuous Improvement and Literacy plan. Thanks to Shannon Engledow for her work on the Literacy Plan*
- * Kamiah Elementary Title Program put on a pizza party for all K-3 Students that met their reading goals. A total of 40 students took part. The Middle School had 14 that met their goal.*
- *KES held the first doughnuts with grandparents this morning. Another great way to showcase our school with patrons.*
- * Kamiah Math Department will be sending five teachers to Portland for a Math Leadership Conference. These teachers will learn how to analyze data and adapt instruction to meeting the needs. Ryan Dent, LCSC Regional Math Specialist will support their work and assist in implementation when they return. No general fund money will be used. Title II money will cover all costs.*

Planning:

- * Request to the Board for approval to advertise for Music and/or Technology Program. Teachers will be put on hold until after the Levy election in March.*
- * Discussion with Senator Risch staff show no sign of SRS future funding. The District is expecting one payment of up to \$100,000 early spring. District accountant recommends the use of this money to pay down outstanding balance on Medicaid. Another option would be to use this to start a Music Program for the District.*
- * Patty Tracy and I took part in the State Department Budget Webinar. No new information given.*
- * Funding Formula video.*

Personnel:

- * **Employee spotlight –***
- * Mrs. Flerchingers evaluation is complete. April 25 is the time when I would like to have all certified evaluations complete.*

Communication:

- * I attended the Kamiah City Council meeting with Mr. Simler concerning police support for the Schools. Sheriff Davis will meet with Peggy and me to discuss response time and logistics. Access cards will be given to LCSO deputies. Thank you to Nez Perce Tribal police, LCSO, and IDCSO for their in building presence*
- * KSD will be issuing special use permits for patrons that are supported with service animals. This permit will allow them access to the track where all other dogs are not allowed. ADA law does not allow for exclusion to access of buildings and facilities.*
- * ISBA Board Member Survey reminder.*

Logistical Support:

**Update on two buses with mechanical issues. Bus 8 is back in service with new motor, Bus 1 had air leak repaired and is down with fuel line leak. Total cost to repairs for both was \$19,930.00. With State reimbursement the cost to the district general fund will be about \$3000.00.*

** In your information packet I provided you the state depreciation chart prepared by Mr. Anderson. This shows the amount of money the school gets back by having newer buses. Replacement funds and savings in warranty work, is also a factor to look at in the consideration of purchasing a new bus.*

** Mr. Anderson has applied to waive the mileage cap. If approved, it would net the district another \$11,800.00.*

III. Principals Report

K-3 Principal Steve Higgins and 4-12 Principal Peggy Flerchinger were present. Principal Higgins and Principal Flerchinger gave verbal reports to The Board of Trustees.

SECTION E---Action Items---OLD BUSINESS

There was no Old Business.

SECTION F---Action Items---NEW BUSINESS

I. Reorganize the Board

- A Chairperson needs to be elected
Vice Chairman Yates moved to nominate Rikki Simler as Chairperson for the Board of Trustees. Board Member Keen seconded the motion. Chairman Simler called for a vote. The Board voted aye unanimously. Motion carried.
- A Vice-Chairperson needs to be elected
Board Member deGroot moved to nominate Herman Yates as Vice-Chairperson for the Board of Trustees. Board Member Keen seconded the motion. Chairman Simler called for a vote. The Board voted aye unanimously. Motion carried.
- Appoint a Clerk / Treasurer
Board Member deGroot moved to appoint Tracy Lynde as Clerk / Treasurer. Board Member Skinner seconded the motion. Chairman Simler called for a vote. The Board voted aye unanimously. Motion carried.
- Appoint a Custodians for All Public Records
Board Member deGroot moved to appoint Superintendent Steven Higgins, Clerk Tracy Lynde and Business Manager Patty Hamilton as Custodians for All Public Records. Vice Chairman Yates seconded the motion. Chairman Simler called for a vote. The Board voted aye unanimously. Motion carried.

II. Set Date, Time and Place of Regular Board Meetings

- The third Monday of each month
 - Exceptions:
 - January 20th, 2020 – Martin Luther King, Jr. Day
 - Possible Reschedule—Wednesday, January 22nd, 2020
 - February 17th, 2020 – President’s Day
 - Possible Reschedule—Wednesday, February 19th, 2020
- 6:00 p.m., Executive Session, 6:30 p.m., Regular Session
- High School Library

Board Member deGroot moved to continue with the third Monday of each month, with the exceptions of the January 2020 and February 2020 Regular Board Meetings, at 6:00 p.m. for Executive Session, 6:30 p.m. for Regular Session and The High School Library for the place of the Regular Board Meetings. Board Member Skinner seconded the motion. Chairman Simler called for a vote. The Board voted aye unanimously. Motion carried.

III. Approve Posting Places for Board Meetings

- Board Meeting Agendas are posted at the following locations:
 - Kamiah School District Office
 - Kamiah Elementary School
 - Kamiah Middle School
 - Kamiah High School
 - Kamiah School District Website
 - Post Office
 - Cloninger’s
 - Kiwanis Bulletin Board
 - Wa-A-Yas Center

Upon the recommendation of Superintendent Higgins, Board Member deGroot moved to approve the posting sites for the Board Meetings to be The Kamiah School District Office, Kamiah Elementary School, Kamiah Middle School, Kamiah High School, Kamiah School District Website, The Post Office, Cloninger’s, The Kiwanis Bulletin Board and The Wa-A-Yas Center. Board Member Skinner seconded the motion. Chairman Simler called for a vote. The Board voted aye unanimously. Motion carried.

IV. Code of Ethics

- Review and Sign
 - All Board Members reviewed and signed the Code of Ethics for School Board Members.*

V. 2019-2020 School Calendar

- 4 Day Calendar verse 5 Day Calendar

After a brief discussion, Superintendent Higgins recommended staying with a 4 Day Week Calendar. Board Member deGroot moved to have the 2019-2020 School Year be a 4 Day Week. Board Member Keen seconded the motion. Chairman Simler called for a vote. The Board voted aye unanimously. Motion carried.

VI. Open Bus Bids

Two Bus Bids were received.

- *Western Mountain Bus & Parts Sales
Nampa Idaho
\$ 99,558.00*
- *Bryson Sales & Service, Inc.
Centerville, Utah
\$ 101,945.00*

The Bus Bids will be reviewed and a decision will be made at the next Regular Board Meeting.

VII. Surplus Property

- Commercial Dishwasher

Superintendent Higgins informed the Board of Trustees that the new dishwasher has been installed, and the need to surplus the Commercial Dishwasher that was taken out of the Kitchen. Board Member deGroot moved to approve the Surplus Item. Board Member Skinner seconded the motion. Chairman Simler called for a vote. The Board voted aye unanimously. Motion carried.

VIII. Policy No. 9805

- Memorials on School Grounds

✓ 1st Reading

Superintendent Higgins presented the 1st Reading of Policy No. 9805 – Memorials on School Grounds that the Crisis Team has been working on. This is the 1st Reading, it will be placed under Old Business at the next Regular Board Meeting.

IX. Community Point of View

There was no Community Point of View.

SECTION G---INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

I. Thank You Card—Evah Jays’ Family

A copy of the Thank You Card from Evah Jays’ Family was provided to the Board Members.

II. 2019 Election Calendar

A copy of the 2019 Election Calendar was provided to the Board Members.

III. Kamiah School District # 304—School Bus Replacement Fund

A copy of the Kamiah School District # 304 – School Bus Replacement Fund was provided to the Board Members.

IV. 2019 District II 1A Division I & II Basketball Tournament

A copy of the 2019 District II 1A Division I & II Basketball Tournament was provided to the Board Members.

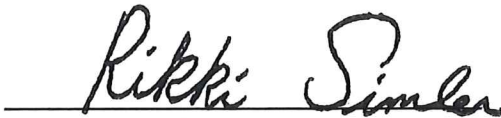
V. Student Enrollment—December 2018

A copy of the Student Enrollment—December 2018 was provided to the Board Members.

VI. Budget Comparison Report

A copy of the Budget Comparison Report was provided to the Board Members.

Chairman Simler adjourned the meeting at 7:27 p.m.



Rikki Simler, Board Chairman



Tracy Lynde, Board Clerk