

**Lake Pend Oreille School District #84**  
**Minutes of Board of Trustees Regular Meeting #396**  
**Clark Fork Jr/Sr High School, Clark Fork, ID**  
**April 28, 2009**

**CALL MEETING TO ORDER**

Chairman Pfeifer called the meeting to order at 6:00 PM. A quorum was established with Trustees Vickie Pfeifer, Melanie Snider, Joan Fish and Steve Youngdahl present. Also present were Superintendent Dick Cvitanich, Clerk Julie Menghini, Assistant Administrator Doug Olin, Curriculum/Title I Director Judy Hull, Facilities Director Sid Rayfield, Transportation Director Bill Wright and Principal Phil Kemink.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION**

Chairman Pfeifer stated there was no need for Executive Session.

**OPEN SESSION**

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Principal Phil Kemink.

Chairman Pfeifer stated there were a couple changes to the agenda. On the Consent Agenda, item VI. D. Approval to go to bid for the fence at Sagle; and remove item VIII. B. Budget discussion.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS**

*Stan Kraly* commented about the absentee ballots for elections and asked for clarification about the process. The Clerk explained that people may come to the District Office to vote absentee in person or they may request an absentee ballot in writing by mail. Superintendent Cvitanich commented that the legislature has considered consolidating elections.

**EDUCATION**

Clark Fork Recognition for US News & World Report Best High School - Chairman Pfeifer presented a plaque to Mr. Kemink for the school's second bronze recognition from *US News and World Report* best high schools. She said it is a tribute to Mr. Kemink, staff, students and the community at CFHS.

Mr. Kemink thanked the Board and wanted to thank others that were not present.

Superintendent Cvitanich commented that it is difficult to be selected once and being selected twice is a real honor. He pointed out the school district is not responsible for nominating a school; the schools are chosen based on their academic performance done by an independent group. He congratulated Mr. Kemink and all those in Clark Fork and Hope who send their students to Clark Fork Jr/Sr High School.

Tour of Track and Field Area - Chairman Pfeifer explained that the Board had not had an opportunity to view the work that had been done on the Clark Fork track and field area so they would be going outside to see the track and facilities. Superintendent Cvitanich explained that at the track there is a combination of work from the Plant Facility Levy,

Community fundraising, donations and a CFHS class that built the Press Box. Mr. Kemink led the group on a walking tour of the track and locker room facilities noting they have not been able to hold a track meet yet because the pits are not finished.

**ACTION ITEMS:**  
**CONSENT AGENDA**

Chairman Pfeifer added Item of D.

- A. *Approval of Minutes*
  - 1. *April 14, 2009 – Regular Meeting #394*
  - 2. *April 21, 2009 – Special Meeting #395*
- B. *Approval of HR Report*
  - 1. *Resignation - Certificated*
    - a. *Tyler Haynes – Coach*
  - 2. *Additional Assignment – Certificated*
    - a. *Brian Nickerson*
  - 3. *Leave of Absence – Certificated*
    - a. *Vickie Lee*
  - 4. *Retirement – Certificated*
    - a. *Don Moore*
    - b. *Judy Hull*
  - 5. *Resignation – Classified*
    - a. *Tammy Czerno*
  - 6. *Retirement – Classified*
    - a. *Sherry Witcraft*
- C. *Approval of Calendar Revision for 2009-10 and 2010-11*
- D. *Approval to go to Bid for Fencing at Sagle School*

Trustee Fish made a motion *to approve the Consent Agenda*. Trustee Snider seconded. Chairman Pfeifer asked for discussion. There being none, the vote was taken with Trustees Pfeifer, Snider, Fish and Youngdahl voting aye. Motion carried.

**ADMINISTRATION**

Title I Audit Report – Ms Hull shared the official report from the state. She highlighted the commendations that were made and she reviewed the findings and corrective actions for the Title I program in the district. She said the Title I staff started meeting in September to prepare for the audit. She gave credit to the schools going into the audit; they were very confident during the process. She said there was a follow up for technical assistance that was requested by the district. This district recently hosted a workshop that Bonner County and West Bonner County school districts were invited to attend. She noted that every corrective action had been addressed as of last Friday.

Superintendent Cvitanich commented about the audit. He said he feels good about the audit report and said Ms Hull did a very good job and everything was very well organized.

*Mr. Kraly* stated he believes the federal government does not have a right to be involved in local school districts.

Plant Facility Projects Update – Sid Rayfield gave an update of Plant Facility Levy projects that are slated to be completed during the summer break. He said if the projects come in under budget, then they hope to accomplish some additional ones as well. Many items had been donated to the district and he gave kudos to those businesses. He said most of the boilers had been purchased earlier in the year when the costs were down. He also shared the incentives from Avista for the changes in the heating and lighting systems, noting the cost savings is significant.

Superintendent Cvitanich commented that the district is hoping that LPO will get the acoustical ceiling in their gym and they are hoping to do some landscaping by the portable at Washington School. There was some discussion about the battery backup that will be installed. Chairman Pfeifer asked if this will be the last of the levy projects. Mr. Rayfield said that when these projects are completed, it will be the last of the ones approved on the levy. He said they continue to be under budget. Trustee Youngdahl commented that Mr. Rayfield does a great job with the facilities department.

## **BOARD**

Approval to Accept Bus Trade-in Proposal – Trustee Snider made a motion *to accept the proposal for the bus trade-in*. Trustee Fish seconded.

Transportation Director Bill Wright explained the situation with three of the buses that were purchased five years ago. He said two of the buses have been a problem since they were purchased and especially this past year when they have not run for 30% of the school days, and have not run at all most recently. The main problem with the buses is the engines and they have not been able to be fixed. The new buses will be 2010 models with a different engine. He believes this is a favorable deal for the school district. Chairman Pfeifer clarified that it will not cost the district anything. Mr. Wright explained there is depreciation if a bus is sold or traded in prior to the end of its depreciation life, but the state is not asking the district to give back any funds for these buses. Trustee Youngdahl asked if the new buses will start with a new depreciation schedule. Mr. Wright confirmed they will start with a new 12-year depreciation term.

Chairman Pfeifer asked for additional questions. There being none, the vote was taken with Trustees Pfeifer, Snider, Fish and Youngdahl voting aye. Motion carried. Chairman Pfeifer thanked Mr. Wright for all his work on this issue.

Approval of 2<sup>nd</sup> Reading of Policy 2000 Series Updates –

- a. 2320 Driver Training
- b. 2330 Community and Adult Education

Trustee Fish made a motion *to approve the second reading of policies 2320 Driver Training and 2330 Community and Adult Education*. Trustee Snider seconded.

Chairman Pfeifer asked for discussion. There being none, the vote was taken with Trustees Pfeifer, Snider, Fish and Youngdahl voting aye. Motion carried.

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Superintendent Cvitanich announced that the Health Professions program at Sandpoint High School, taught by Kathy Holm, was selected as Idaho's PTE Exemplary Program of the Year. He said what he likes about the program is that kids are being trained to enter the world of work. He stated the district is very proud of the program.

He also announced that on May 20 there will be an Open House at the District Office to hand out Teachers' Editions for the new math curriculum so the teachers would have them over the summer. Board members are invited to attend on May 20, 2:00-4:00 PM.

He also reminded the Board the County Commissioners will hold a hearing on May 5 regarding the district's application for a conditional use permit for the Sagle construction.

Phil Kemink said the Clark Fork prom is this Saturday night at the new Panhandle State Bank building.

Superintendent Cvitanich also announced that there are a couple retirements including some of the people that are in the audience: Judy Hull, Sherry Witcraft and Bill Schwerin. He thanked them for all their hard work.

**ADJOURN**

There being no further business before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 7:16 PM.

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Attest: Julie Menghini, Clerk

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Vickie Pfeifer, Chair