

**Lake Pend Oreille School District #84**  
**Minutes of Board of Trustees Regular Meeting #406**  
**Sandpoint High School, Sandpoint, ID**  
**August 25, 2009**

**CALL MEETING TO ORDER**

Chairman Pfeifer called the meeting to order at 4:30 PM. A quorum was established with Trustees Vickie Pfeifer, Mindy Cameron, Joan Fish and Steve Youngdahl present. Also present were Supt. Dick Cvitanich, Clerk Julie Menghini, Assistant Administrator Doug Olin, Business Manager Lisa Hals, Title I Director Judy Hull and Transportation Director Bill Wright.

**OPEN SESSION – BOARD**

Chairman Pfeifer pointed out that the position will remain open until the next meeting at which time the Board will interview again if other candidates come forward and then appoint a Trustee to the position of Zone 1. Board members conducted an interview with Trustee candidate Ashley Ruen Aumick for Zone 1.

After the interview, Chairman Pfeifer noted that the successful candidate may stand for election in May for the remainder of the Trustee Zone 1 term.

**RETURN TO REGULAR SESSION**

Pledge of Allegiance was led by Chairman Pfeifer. Chairman Pfeifer excused herself briefly at 5:00 and turned the meeting over to Vice Chairman Cameron.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS**

There was nobody signed up for Public Comment.

**EDUCATION**

SR2S Report – Diane Arrants gave a report about Safe Routes to School. She talked about new sidewalks that have been constructed on Madison Avenue and others that are underway. She also highlighted some of the events and activities that occurred as a result of grants and group efforts. She pointed out that October 7 is Walk to School Day this year and gave invitations to Board members.

Supt. Cvitanich added that the SR2S position is funded by a state grant attained in conjunction with the city.

**ACTION ITEMS:**

**CONSENT AGENDA**

- A. *Approval of HR Report*
  - 1. *New Hires - Certificated*
    - a. *Dinah Gaddie*
    - b. *Daniel Krabacher*
  - 2. *Resignations - Certificated*
    - a. *Thomas Albertson*
    - b. *Jack Bowles*
    - c. *Mike Keough*
    - d. *Brian Nickerson*
  - 3. *Change to Assignment - Certificated*
    - a. *Lynn Aase*
    - b. *Joan Hamelmann*
    - c. *Randi Kulis*



Kindergarten, first and second grade students. She explained what the scores mean and how they correlate to the ISAT. Then she shared graphs that compared past years to the LPOSD 2008-2009 scores and LPOSD compared to State average scores. They have implemented AIMS Web allowing teachers to progress-monitor and diagnose what a child needs. Trustee Fish asked if the Extended Day Kindergarten has improved test scores. Ms Hull believes it has and shared the scores to back up her belief. She also believes the research based curriculum is positively impacting the test results. There was discussion about the intervention programs that are used to help bring students up to proficiency.

Facilities Update – Supt. Cvitanich reported that the attention is turned to developing safety plans at the schools where construction is taking place. He noted that the projects are coming along well and described some of the progress. Sagle will finish in November. Phase 1 at Kootenai will be finished over winter break. He added that he is pleased with the way SHS has turned out with the cosmetic changes that have taken place. The projects are still on time and the total is under budget.

Calendar Change Request – SHS – This item was removed from the agenda until the next meeting due to the need for more information.

## **BOARD**

Approval of Day Care Transportation Agreements – Trustee Fish made a motion *that the Lake Pend Oreille School District 84 transport its pupils to and from Farmin Stidwell School and the child care facilities listed below, notwithstanding the budgetary cuts in transportation, so long as said child care facilities contribute to the district the amounts listed below for each and every day school is in session. This Motion shall be effective for the 2009-2010 school year and only for pupils whose parents give specific written authorization for the transportation.*

- ♦ *Sunshine Kids Center, two mid-day runs and one after school run, \$12 per day;*
- ♦ *St. Francis Preschool and Kindergarten, one after school run, \$3 per day;*
- ♦ *Superior Child Care and Learning Center, one mid-day run and one after school run, \$6 per day;*
- ♦ *Advance Child Care, one afternoon run, \$3 per day*

Trustee Cameron seconded. Chairman Pfeifer asked for questions. Trustee Youngdahl asked if the costs make it budget neutral. Mr. Wright confirmed. Supt. Cvitanich noted that Mr. Wright had worked very hard on this and is glad they reached a satisfactory solution. Chairman Pfeifer asked for further questions. There being none, the vote was taken with Trustees Pfeifer, Cameron, Fish and Youngdahl voting aye. Motion carried.

Approval of Schweitzer Bus Route Extension – Trustee Cameron made a motion *to approve the recommendation for the Schweitzer bus route extension.* Trustee Fish seconded. Trustee Fish seconded.

Trustee Fish asked about the expense and liability of driving the road. Mr. Wright explained the extension of an existing route. Supt. Cvitanich said it is not an increased

liability but is the same as some other challenging routes. Mr. Wright believes his driver is experienced and will handle the route fine. Board members had discussion about the safety issues of the route. The recommended route extension is for a trial period of one school year. There will be a count each day of rider-ship.

Jill Garrett stated that Schweitzer ski area sands and plows the road early for its own bus travel.

Chairman Pfeifer took the vote for the one-year trial bus extension route with Trustees Pfeifer, Cameron, Fish and Youngdahl voting aye. Motion carried.

Approval of Transportation Agreement with Sandpoint Charter School – Trustee Fish made a motion *to approve the transportation agreement with Sandpoint Charter School for the school year 2009-2010*. Trustee Youngdahl seconded. Chairman Pfeifer asked for discussion. Mr. Wright noted there is a change in the contract because the reimbursement from the State Department is unknown. He also noted another factor if there is a need to add another bus that it needs to be cost neutral.

Chairman Pfeifer asked for questions. There being none, she took the vote with Trustees Pfeifer, Cameron, Fish and Youngdahl voting aye. Motion carried.

1<sup>st</sup> Reading of Policy 2550 Field Trips – Chairman Pfeifer asked about the foreign travel part of the procedure. Mr. Wright said he would incorporate the requirement of passports for foreign travel to the procedure.

#### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Supt. Cvitanich announced that Supt. Luna would be meeting for his Town Hall meeting after the Board meeting.

He also announced that Southside was selected to receive a \$5,000 grant from Sprint for the Love and Logic program. He congratulated Mr. Valliant and the Southside staff.

Supt. Cvitanich also announced that Cindy Smith, the SHS Dance Team coach was named the Dance Team Coach of the Year.

Mr. Olin announced that Supt. Luna will be holding a meeting when the Board meeting is concluded. He apologized because there was a glitch in getting the parts for the teleconferencing equipment for the meeting so there will not be a demonstration at this meeting as originally planned.

#### **ADJOURN**

There being no further business before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 6:40 PM.

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Attest: Julie Menghini, Clerk

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Vickie Pfeifer, Chair