TROUT LAKE SCHOOL BOARD
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
December 19, 2023
6:30 p.m.
Room 132 (Timmy's Room) and via Zoom

CALL TO ORDER AND WELCOME
The meeting was called to order at 6:30 p.m. by Ken BeLieu. Other board members present were Joe Dean, Tim Dearden, and Laurie Sherburne. Dr. Jerry Lewis, Brendan Norman, Kristian Rubesh, Carmen Leslie, Matt Ihle, Kristin Schmid, and Carmen Leslie were all present at the meeting.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

NEW BOARD MEMBERS OATH OF OFFICE: Ken BeLieu swore in returning board member Tim Dearden, and newly elected board members Carmen Leslie and Kristian Rubesh.

ELECTION OF BOARD OFFICES AND COMMITTEE ASSIGNMENTS

A) Call for nominations for Chair of the School Board to serve during the ensuing year: Tim Dearden made a motion to nominate Joe Dean as Chair of the School Board. Carmen Leslie seconded the motion. Motion carried.

B) Election of Chair: Joe Dean

C) Call for nominations for Vice-Chair of the School Board to serve during the ensuing year: Joe Dean nominated Tim Dearden, Kristian Rubesh seconded the motion. Laurie Sherburne nominated herself. All in favor of Tim Dearden being elected Vice-Chair, all said yes. Motion carried.

D) Election of Vice-Chair: Tim Dearden

E) Board Legislative Representative: Joe Dean nominated Laurie Sherburne, Tim Dearden seconded the motion, motion carried.

F) Board Committee Assignments:
The Financial Committee consists of Tim Dearden and Kristian Rubesh.
The Facilities Committee consists of Joe Dean and Kristian Rubesh.
The Academic/Curriculum Committee consists of Tim Dearden and Carmen Leslie.
The Personnel Committee consists of Laurie Sherburne and Joe Dean.
The Policies Committee consists of Laurie Sherburne and Carmen Leslie.

1.0 APPROVAL OF AGENDA: No changes

2.0 SAY SOMETHING POSITIVE: Dr. Lewis, Joe Dean, Tim Dearden, and Laurie Sherburne all thanked Brendan Norman and Ken BeLieu for their years of service. Discussion followed. Laurie Sherburne is glad the high school girls basketball team is doing so well. Tim Dearden said it's great to welcome two new board members. Kristian Rubesh said that he's excited to see community engagement at the games.

3.0 HEARING OF VISITORS:

4.0 STUDENT REPORT: Dr. Lewis presented the student report that Kinsley Lanz provided. The girls high school basketball team is currently ranked 7th in the state. They won the Ione Bonanza Tournament. The team was consolation champions in the Columbia River Clash Tournament. The boys high school basketball team is ranked 46th in the state. They won the Ione Bonanza Tournament. High school cheer has started and they're engaging the crowd and having fun. Middle school basketball's statistics are 7-4 for the girls and 4-6 for the boys. The Holiday Extravaganza is on December 20th. The older grades are paired with younger grades and will do projects in the morning. The 4th grade class took a field trip to release the salmon that grew in their classroom. The Book Fair had its best year sale wise this year. A lot of high school aged students helped the younger students at the book fair.

5.0 CORRESPONDENCE: None

6.0 FINANCIALS

6.1 Financial Projections for December: General Fund Accounts Payable warrant numbers 341920 through 341949 totaling $45,282.99. ASB Accounts Payable warrant numbers 341950 through 341956 totaling $ 2,131.64. Payroll warrant numbers 341754 through 341760 and direct deposit numbers 9000000640 through 9000000681 in the amount of $266,655.47.

7.0 INFORMATION AND DISCUSSION

7.1 Superintendent Report

A) Principal Report: Matt Ihle reported that we are moving forward with Tony Fuentes teaching a music course learning the guitar or banjo. The class will be titled American Music Project. This will be an opportunity for homeschooled students to be involved as well. This is going to be offered in the second semester during 6th period. The position will be paid through an ArtSmart grant. Mr. Ihle also said that Trout Lake School will be

awarded with the Virtual English Language Educator Partnership Award. He will be traveling to Florida to receive the award.

B) Enrollment: 200.56 FTE

C) Trout Lake Book Fair: Katie Corson volunteered to host the Book Fair again this year. She ended with $6,207 in gross sales and $5,811 in net sales. The school will benefit from a lot of free books.

D) **8.0 CONSENT AGENDA**

8.1 School Board Meeting Minutes for November 29, 2023

8.2 Vouchers and Payroll

9.0 ACTION

9.1 Consent Agenda: Laurie Sherburne made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda as presented. Tim Dearden seconded the motion. Motion carried.

9.2 Supplemental Contracts: Tim Dearden made a motion to approve Crystal Lanz's $5,000.00 contract for Emerging LAP Coordinator as presented. Laurie Sherburne seconded the motion. Motion carried.

10.0 MISCELLANEOUS

10.1 Board Action Calendar and Checklist

11.0 EXECUTIVE SESSION

11.1 Personnel per RCW 42.30.110(g):

At 7:23 p.m. Chairman Joe Dean moved to Closed Exempt Session per RCW 42.30.110(g) for thirty minutes at 7:23 p.m. No action will be taken after the session. Former board members Ken BeLieu and Brendan Norman were invited to attend the exempt session. At 7:53 p.m. the board adjourned the exempt session with a motion by Laurie Sherburne, seconded by Tim Dearden. Motion carried. At 7:55 p.m. they went back into closed exempt session for thirty minutes. Laurie Sherburne made a motion to come out of the closed exempt session at 8:25 p.m. Kristian Rubesh seconded the motion. Motion carried.

At 8:25 p.m. the board reconvened to open session.

At 8:26 p.m. Chairman Joe Dean adjourned the meeting with a motion by Tim Dearden, seconded by Laurie Sherburne. Carried.

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