

BOARD MET AT HARPER SCHOOLS Aug. 11, 2016 7:30 PM
MEMBERS PRESENT: JEFF ROMANS CHAIR., GARY JOHNSON, LISA FISHER.

RON TALBOT, SUPERINTENDENT
KAREN STEELE, DEPUTY CLERK

OTHERS: CARMAN LOVELL

BUSINESS CONDUCTED: REGULAR MEETING

Gary Johnson moved to approve the minutes of 7-14-16, Lisa Fisher seconded, passed unanimously.

Lisa Fisher moved to approve the agenda with the additions;

1. Bid openings for cafeteria equipment.
2. Discuss options for filling Business Manager position upon retirement.

Gary Johnson seconded, passed unanimously.

There was no patron input.

Lisa Fisher moved to approve the student handbook with updates, Gary Johnson seconded, passed unanimously.

Superintendent Talbot recommended hiring Marie Torland for the 3rd & 4th grade position. Marie comes with 10 years of experience teaching those grade levels and hails from Ontario where she came highly recommended. Gary Johnson moved to approve Talbot's recommendation and hire Mrs. Torland, Lisa Fisher seconded, passed unanimously.

Talbot updated the Board on the construction updates;

1. The kitchen exhaust hood is being installed and an ansul fire suppression system is required in addition to the hood. That will be installed next week.
2. Stephan Maupin, CTE coordinator at the ESD will come out after school has started and help with the setting up of the greenhouse.
3. A new radiator was installed in the girl's locker room to accommodate the new handicap access bathroom stall.

Superintendent Report:

Talbot reported that several staff attended the summer institute the ESD coordinated. As part of a class that Talbot, Wade Johnson, Kristy Riggin and Scott Talbot attended on Math & Drones the school received a Phantom 3 drone. This drone has the ability to fly at a 1.5 mile radius with a 400 ft. ceiling. It is GPS activated from 15 different satellites with a 4K high definition camera that will

stream its video into an iPad. Elementary staff also attended classes on the new math curriculum called Go Math, Bus driver training, Pesticide management and others.

As part of the CTE program the mechanic shop has received a new 60 in. flat screen TV and several hundred dollars in tools. Treasure Valley College is also trying to involve outlying districts in their welding classes so students can become certified in welding while still in high school.

Two elementary students attended a week long Robotics Camp in July.

Teresa Jones has been hired by the ESD as the Special Education Director, replacing Terri Herzberg and Nicki Shira has been hired to help teachers in the area improve technology in the classroom. Nicki will be coming on Aug. 18th during in-service to talk to the teachers. She will also assist in applying for grants that are available to institute more technology in the classrooms.

The fall OSBA regional meeting is coming up Oct. 6, 2016 at the ESD and the first County Wide Staff Development Day for teachers will be Oct. 7th.

Drivers Ed classes are being offered with the ESD beginning on Sept. 19, 2016 with sign-up by Sept. 13th. For rural schools on-line classes maybe offered for the book portion of the training. Six hours of drive time and 6 hours of observation/ride along are still required. The cost is \$125.00 with scholarships available of \$75.00 for students on free and reduced lunches.

Talbot gave the Board a copy of the class schedule, he also stated that Stephanie Hunt will be giving each high school student a packet which will give them a flow chart of what they will need to graduate.

Only one bid was received for the cafeteria equipment, Ron Talbot bid \$305.00 for the two stainless steel tables. Gary Johnson moved to accept the bid, Lisa Fisher seconded, passed unanimously.

Board member Gary Johnson asked that discussion and action be taken on hiring a replacement for retiring business manager Karen Steele. It was decided to contact the ESD for an estimate on what they would charge to do the financials and advertise no later than November to hire someone to take care of the rest of the duties. The goal would be to train this person over a period of time to take over the financials as well.

Lisa Fisher moved to pay bills and adjourn, Gary Johnson seconded, passed unanimously. Meeting adjourned at 10:00 PM.

_____Chairman_____

Deputy Clerk