

Ione School District #2

445 Spring St., P.O. Box 167, Ione, Oregon 97843

Ione School District Goals

District and Community Engagement

Ione Community School will foster and enhance relationships while continuing to improve two-way communications with students, families, staff, and community stakeholders.

School Climate

Ione Community School will create and cultivate a positive and safe school environment that promotes high levels of connection, engagement, and overall well-being throughout the school community.

Facilities Planning

The Ione School District will establish a Facilities Task Force to complete a review and analysis of the recently completed Long Range Facilities Plan. In addition, the FTC will provide long-term capital planning direction for the district.

Student Achievement

The Ione School District will continuously review and refine curriculum, instructional practices, and professional development for staff in order to support student growth and academic achievement for all students from birth through high school graduation.

IONE SCHOOL DISTRICT BOARD OF DIRECTORS

June 27, 2023

**Work Session 4:00 PM Regular Board Meeting 4:30 PM
Ione Schools – Ione, Oregon**

REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

Board Members Present:

**Rob Crum, Board Chair
Ed Rietmann, Vice Chair
Paola Cabrera
Lisa Rietmann
Tricia Rollins**

Administration

**Kevin Dinning, Superintendent
Tracey Johnson, Principal
Kim Thul, Board Secretary
Kim Gilsdorf, Business Manager
Kara Taylor, IMESD**

Guests Present in Person: Jeff Clabaugh, Steve Schaber, Sami Peterson, Joel Peterson, Elizabeth Peterson and Marlene Newlan (Midco)

Guests Present by Zoom: Andrea Di Salvo (Heppner Gazette Times), Jacob Trahan

I. CALL TO ORDER, ROLL CALL AND FLAG SALUTE

The meeting was called to order at 4:30 pm by Chairman Rob Crum

II. BUDGET HEARING

The budget hearing was opened at 4:32 pm by Chairman Rob Crum

Kim Gilsdorf presented the budget document to the Board and there was no discussion from Board members or patrons from community.

The budget hearing was closed at 4:32 pm by Chairman Rob Crum.

III. AWARDS, RECOGNITION AND CORRESPONDENCE

- a. ASB Report – Chelsea Geer will be taking over as ASB advisor next school year
- b. Union Report – negotiations went well for both licensed and classified.
- c. Board Member Recognition – Tricia Rollins was presented with a card, certificate of appreciation and bouquet of flowers thanking her for her service to the Ione School District and Community.

IV. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION – After a question from the public, it was explained that Elizabeth Peterson would be replacing Tricia Rollins as a new board member starting July 1. Elizabeth had the most votes as a write-in candidate. A question was asked about the school climate, and it was explained that this subject will be a focal point of the July board retreat on July 25th.

V. ADJUSTMENTS TO AGENDA

VI. CONSENT AGENDA

- A. Approval of May 23, 2023, Regular Board Meeting and Budget Committee Minutes
- B. HR Report – Rob read the HR report to the crowd

BE IT RESOLVED, upon motion by Lisa Rietmann and seconded by Tricia Rollins, that the items listed above are hereby approved under the Consent Agenda. The motion passed unanimously.

VII. REPORTS

- A. Enrollment Report –End of the year total enrollment is 137 which is 11 students higher than the end of last school year.
- B. Principal Report - Tracey Johnson/Kevin Dinning
 - Fun end of the year with lots of sprinkler time and field trips.
 - Iready reading report – we evaluate at the beginning of the year, midway through the year and at the end of the year and our reading grew over 21%.
 - A new math curriculum is on the way.
 - Hired Autum Ringer to teach 5th grade and Stephanie McElligott is moving to 1st grade.
 - Will only have one split class – our goals are to not have any split classes.
 - Three new kids have registered.
 - Had an incident on a field trip with the elementary students. We have an after-action report and are working on new field trip forms and looking into

possibly getting a SAT phone for the district due to the lack of cell service in a lot of the areas we travel.

- Graduated 100% of our seniors, promoted all other students to the next grade level.

C. Superintendent Report – Kevin Dinning

- State Update – The state budget was approved at 10.2 billion. We’ve been conservative with our budget. We have had lots to celebrate in the last two years – we’ve added staff and increased enrollment. Our student-to-staff ratio will continue to stay low.

VIII. FISCAL OVERVIEW AND APPROVAL OF FINANCIAL REPORT

- A. Financial Summary and Cash Flow – Kim Gilsdorf presented the financial report for May 2023. She highlighted the revenues received and touched on the larger expenditures.

BE IT RESOLVED, upon motion by Tricia Rollins and seconded by Ed Rietmann, that the Ione School Board approves the Financial Report for May 2023, as presented. The motion passed unanimously.

IX. ANNUAL DESIGNATIONS FOR 2023-2024

Kevin Dinning read each designation and answered questions prior to voting.

BE IT RESOLVED, upon motion by Tricia Rollins and seconded by Lisa Rietmann that the Annual Designations for 2023-2024 listed below be approved as presented. Unanimously approved.

1. Superintendent/Clerk and Executive Office
Tracey Johnson is designated Superintendent/Clerk and Executive Officer of the Ione School District for the 2023-2024 year.
2. Chief Financial Officer/Business Manager
Kim Gilsdorf is designated Business Manager/Deputy Clerk of the Ione School District for the 2023-2024 year.
3. Custodian of Funds
Tracey Johnson is designated Custodian of Funds for the 2023-2024 year.
4. Authorized signatures for the District’s Checks
Tracey Johnson and Beth O’Hanlon are the authorized signatures for the District’s checks for the 2023-2024 year.
5. Facsimile Signature

A facsimile signature of the Superintendent is authorized for use for the Ione School District for the 2023-2024 year.

6. Short-Term Borrowing Limit for the Custodian of Funds
The short-term borrowing limit is set at \$200,000.00 for the Ione School District for the 2023-2024 year.
7. Fidelity Bond/Crime Coverage
The fidelity bond amounts, or an equivalent crime coverage under an insurance policy, shall be set at \$100,000.00 for Tracey Johnson.
8. Budget Officer
Tracey Johnson is designated Budget Officer for the Ione School District for the 2023-2024 year.
9. Official Auditor
The auditing firm of Cockburn & McClintock, LLC is designated the Official Auditor for the Ione School District for the 2023-2024 year.
10. Legal Counsel
The firm of Corey, Byler & Rew, L.L.P. is designated the Legal Counsel of the Ione School District for the 2023-2024 year.
11. Depositories for Funds
The Bank of Eastern Oregon is designated the depository for funds for the 2023-2024 year, and the Ione School District is authorized to participate in the Local Government Investment Pool.
12. Insurance Agent of Record
Wheatland Insurance, and their local representative, is designated the Insurance Agent of Record for the Ione School District for the 2023-2024 year.
13. Official Newspaper
The East Oregonian and Heppner Gazette Times are designated the Official Newspapers for the Ione School District for the 2023-2024 year.
14. Per Diem
Employees of the Ione School District will receive the IRS rate per mile for authorized travel, lodging at the single party rate, and reimbursement for meals at \$35.00 per day for the 2023-2024 year.
15. Designated Confidential Employees
The following employees of the Ione District are designated Confidential Employees for the 2023-2024 Year: Kim Thul, Board Secretary, and Aimee VanNice, Human Resource Director.

16. Substitute Teacher Rates

For the 2023-2024 year, the substitute teacher rate is set at \$25.79 per hour or \$232.14 per day for the first 8 days, and for a substitute employed for more than 8 consecutive days in any one assignment, a minimum of \$282.68 per day or \$31.41 per hour.

17. Authorization for Interfund Loans

For the 2023-2024 year, the Board of Directors of the Ione School District may authorize short-term, non-interest loans between funds when necessary due to timing of receipts and expenditures.

18. Authorization for Morrow County Investments

For the 2023-2024 year, authorization is granted by the Board of Directors of the Ione School District for the investment of any money held by the County Treasurer of Morrow County.

19. Local Contract Review Board

The Board of Directors of the Ione School District is designated as the local Contract Review Board for the 2023-2024 year.

X OLD BUSINESS

XI NEW BUSINESS

A. Approval of 2023-24 Ione School District Budget

Chairman Rob Crum thanked the administration for the smoothness of the entire budget process.

See attached budget resolutions

A. Adopting the Budget:

Ed Rietmann moved, and Tricia Rollins seconded

B. Resolution making Appropriations:

Tricia Rollins moved, and Lisa Rietmann seconded

C. Resolution Imposing the Tax:

Lisa Rietmann moved, and Ed Rietmann seconded

D. Resolution Categorizing the Tax:

Paola Cabrera moved, and Tricia Rollins seconded

The above resolution statements were approved and declared adopted unanimously.

B. 2023-24 Board Meeting Schedule

The proposed board meeting schedule was presented to the board using the same format as the current year. The majority of the meetings are on the 4th Tuesday of each month, with the work session starting at 4:00 pm and the board meeting starting at 4:30 pm. Tracey suggested tabling this agenda item and discussing it at our July board retreat. In order to get more community involvement and participation, we may want to schedule the meetings for later in the day so more people can attend.

This was tabled until the next board meeting in July.

C. Co-Op Approval – Kevin talked about the current co-ops we have in place and thinks it's the most functional co-op he has ever seen.

BE IT RESOLVED, upon motion by Lisa Rietmann and seconded by Tricia Rollins that the Ione School Board approves the Athletic Co-Op agreements for 2023-24 with Arlington for Volleyball, Football and Basketball (Boys & Girls) and with Heppner for Cross Country (Boys & Girls), Wrestling, Baseball, Softball and Golf. Unanimously approved.

D. Contract Ratification – Kevin explained the minimal changes that were made to the contracts.

BE IT RESOLVED, upon motion by Tricia Rollins and seconded by Ed Rietmann that the Ione School Board approves the licensed negotiated agreement for 2023-26 and the classified negotiated agreement for 2023-26 as presented. The motion passed unanimously.

D. School Board Election Results

BE IT RESOLVED, upon motion by Lisa Rietmann and seconded by Ed Rietmann that the Ione School Board approves the Abstract of Votes from the May 16, 2023, Special District Election and accepts Paola Cabrera for Position #1 and Elizabeth Peterson for Position #2. The motion passed unanimously.

- D. Complaint Discussion – Kevin explained the timeline of two complaints that have been received. Our general counsel has a conflict with one of the parties, so Kevin asked the Board for permission to hire Scott Whittington of CSW Investigations to navigate the investigation. The cost is \$75.00 per hour.

BE IT RESOLVED, upon motion by Lisa Rietmann and seconded by Tricia Rollins, moved to approve contracting with CSW investigations, Scott Whittington, to investigate the complaints that have been filed. Rob Crum and Ed Rietmann abstained. The motion passed with the other three members voting yes.

XIII. FOR THE GOOD OF THE ORDER

Upcoming Meetings and Conferences:

- 1) July Board Retreat/Meeting – July 25 @ Port of Morrow
 - Board Training – 9:00-12:00 @ Port of Morrow
 - Board Retreat – 12:00-4:00 PM
 - Regular Board Meeting – 4:00 PM

XIV. ADJOURN

The meeting adjourned at 5:32 pm.