

HUMBOLDT COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT
310 East Fourth Street
WINNEMUCCA, NEVADA 89445

A public hearing of the Humboldt County Board of School Trustees was held May 18, 2016 at 12:04 p.m. in the Lowry High School Auditorium.

Board members present were: Vice President Glenda Deputy, Clerk Ann Miller, Nicole Bengochea, Boyd Betteridge, and John Hill. Absent: President Bruce Braginton, Louis Mendiola

Others in attendance were: Superintendent Dr. Dave Jensen, Ronda Havens, Brenda Olsen, and Secretary Paula Wright. Absent: Asst. Superintendent Dawn Hagness, Director Kelly Novi, Attorney John Doyle, Joyce Sheen-Humboldt Sun

Vice President Deputy opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Minutes: None

Correspondence: None

Public Comment – Discussion Only
None

Discussion Only – FY17 Tentative Budget Public Hearing – Dr. Dave Jensen, Ronda Havens

Under Nevada Revised Statute we are required to hold a public meeting, in which the community and school board have an opportunity to provide feedback regarding the tentative budget. Once concerns are addressed and answered, the Board is then asked to adopt the tentative budget as final.

The District has yet to receive a Distributive School Account (DSA) figure from the Nevada Department of Taxation for the 2016-2017 school year; therefore, there are very minimal changes to the Tentative Budget. Once a final DSA figure is received, the Final budget will be updated and brought to the Board in December to augment/amend.

During the April 13, 2016 board meeting the Board made one requested adjustment to the Tentative Budget. This item added to the budget one floater elementary position. In addition, administration expressed concern with the projected class size in McDermitt. Since the tentative budget discussion, it was determined the need existed requiring the addition of one 2nd grade position at McDermitt Combined Schools. The 2nd grade position will be on a one year only basis. The addition of these two positions were the two biggest modifications of the tentative budget. Changes to the Tentative Budget include:

- An increase (General Fund) to salaries/wages and employee benefits for the two additional certified positions, approximately \$75,000 in salaries/wages and approximately \$40,000 in benefits.
- A decrease (General Fund) to support services to meet the obligation of the additional certified positions.
- A decrease in (Central Services) to reflect the retirement of from the District. One position has been hired, a realignment of responsibilities will take place and one central office secretarial position will be eliminated.
- A decrease in (Operating/Maintenance) salaries/benefits from the retirement of Jocelyn Johnson to the hiring of Anita Kearns.
- A decrease in (Operating/Maintenance) supplies.
- A decrease in (Student Transportation) purchased services (\$10,000) and supplies (\$10,000).

- Food Service Operations: The auditors suggested making an adjustment to food service purchased services to reflect the cost of new equipment that Chartwells, which will now show in debt services as a lease program with Chartwells. After five years, the equipment will become the District's and the overall meal cost will decrease.
- Under "Medium Term Bonds" an error was made by using the current year's outstanding balance instead of next years projected. Our overall outstanding balance will be less.

There was a brief discussion regarding the DSA.

Discussion and Possible Action – Approval of the FY17 Tentative Budget as Final – Dr. Dave Jensen

Mrs. Miller moved to approve the FY17 Tentative Budget as presented. Mr. Hill seconded, motion carried.

Public Comment – Discussion Only

None

Board Reports/Requests – Information Only/No Action

1. Mr. Betteridge said that he and Mr. Braginton visited Winnemucca Grammar School and Lowry High School on Wednesday, May 11th.
2. Mr. Hill reported that he and Mrs. Deputy visited McDermitt Combined School on May 12th.
3. Mrs. Bengochea thanked everyone for the cards and phone calls in the recent passing of her father.
4. Dr. Jensen reported that former school board member, Rita Backus, had passed away on Monday, May 16th. Condolences to the Backus and Snow families. Services will be on Tuesday, May 24th.
 - Dr. Jensen reminded everyone of the Staff Recognition Banquet on Wednesday, May 18th at 6 p.m.
 - Dr. Jensen reported that the Sonoma Heights roof bids were opened on Tuesday, May 17th. The lowest responsible bid was for \$616,000. \$546,000 was budgeted with a 10% contingency, totaling \$600,000. During the walk-through it was discovered there will need to be additional venting in the roof and an extended warranty was added to the bid specifications. The item will be agendaized for possible Board approval at an upcoming meeting.
5. Mrs. Deputy reminded everyone of the health fair sponsored by Chartwells on Saturday, May 21st from 2-5 p.m. at Lowry High School, football field.
 - On May 23rd a drug information seminar and luncheon will be held from noon to 2 p.m. at the West Hall of the Convention Center. The seminar is in regards to the upcoming marijuana initiative.
 - She provided an article from "The Daily Signal" called "Stoned Drivers Are Killing More and More Innocent Victims".
 - She asked if a vice principal had been hired at Sonoma Heights Elementary. Dr. Jensen said that Lisa Weber has been hired as the vice principal at Sonoma Heights. Congratulations Lisa!! Also, seven candidates have applied for the vice principal position at Winnemucca Jr. High School. Mrs. Kennedy has not yet held interviews.

Mrs. Miller moved to adjourn the meeting at 12:28 p.m. Mrs. Bengochea seconded, motion carried.

Submitted by Secretary, Paula Wright