

**BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETINGS  
CASCADE SCHOOL DISTRICT #422  
September 16, 2009**

**Present:**

**Ann Young, Chairman  
Karen Thurston  
Jason Speer  
Linda Cimbalik  
Mikael Bedell**

**Vic Koshuta, Superintendent  
Pal Sartori, Secondary Principal  
Anne Stilwill, Elementary Principal  
Bev Davenport, Counselor  
JoAnne Suggs, Clerk  
Jim Heath, Teacher  
Maria Schuman, Teacher**

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Young at 7:03 p.m. pursuant to 33-510, 67-2340, 67-2342 and 67-2343 of Idaho Code.

Ms. Cimbalik motioned to approve the minutes of the special July 30, 2009 meeting and August 2009 regular meeting. Ms. Thurston seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

The Clerk submitted bills for payment and approval:

August 2009 Bills	\$ 59,295.36
Immediate Checks	\$253,422.06

Mr. Speer motioned to approve the payment of bills as submitted, Ms. Thurston made the second and the motion passed unanimously.

**Scheduled Delegations**

Mr. Heath, the business technology teacher, gave a report on what is happening in his classes.

The Elementary Principal reported on the following:

- The elementary school received an art teacher grant from the Laura Moore Cunningham Foundation. This will allow the elementary art program to continue this year. One of the projects that will take place is the painting of murals around the elementary school.
- On a related note, a large, three-panel wall mural will be going up on the wall in the cement hallway in the elementary.

The Secondary Principal reported on the following:

- Athletics are going well. Football and volleyball are underway.
- A volleyball machine was purchased for the team.
- The new art teacher/online coordinator is doing a great job. The IDLA seems to be going smoothly.
- The school received a Benchmark grant for Project Alert, a program geared towards eliminating drug & alcohol use. Teresa Bradley and Conor Kennedy will be implementing the program during health classes in the 7<sup>th</sup>, 8<sup>th</sup> and 9<sup>th</sup> grades.

The Counselor reported on the following:

- ACT scores on the Senior's were presented to the Board.
- Mrs. Davenport spent the last week working with students on bullying. The results of a survey given to the students were reviewed.
- The Counselor's written report was previously sent out to the Board.

The Business Manager reported that the new software is working great. The teachers were trained on completing requisitions for approval and checking budgets.

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The Superintendent gave an update on the following and reviewed his report previously sent out for review:

- Projects updates: The sidewalks, brickwork, playground, parking area painting, and lock work are done. If the district gets a grant, the inside locks will be redone as well. The Pine Street rental interior and exterior has been painted. The VanWyck rental siding has been completed, so the last project on that house is the deck. Upcoming project will include the parking lot grading and blanking other door locks. A project that will be explored is installation of security cameras.
- The budget spreadsheet for the newly hired paraprofessionals was reviewed.
- The audit report was reviewed.
- The ICARE program is off and running. Businesses around the town are asked to get involved. They will be receiving posters and information with guidelines and information. There are also activities for parents to do at home with their children. The goal is to have the 'trait' word of the month carry through in all areas of the students' life.
- Funding has been applied for a new bus to replace the '99 bus. A request for bids will be done in January/February with the goal of purchase in the summer of 2010. Between the bus depreciation funds and the DEQ funding, the cost of the bus will be covered.

**Old Business**

There was continued discussion of Policy 5320. No decisions or motions were made.

**New Business**

Ms. Cimbalik motioned to approve the hiring of a new paraprofessional for special education, Warren Gunderson. Mr. Speer seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

A discussion about revising Policy 5430 took place. No decisions or motions were made.

A second reading of the policies affected by changes in various Idaho Codes was done. No decisions or motions were made.

The Board left the library to take a tour of the school while discussing school access. The Superintendent will further investigate the use of security cameras. No decisions or motions were made.

**Public Comment**

Kudos were given to the athletic department for their organization and work with the teams so far this year. There seems to be great energy.

**Other Business**

None

**Executive Session**

Mr. Speer made a motion for the Board go into executive session, Ms. Thurston made the second, and a roll call vote was completed for the commencement of the executive session. The motion passed unanimously. The Chairman announced the Board was in executive session authorized under IC 67-2345 to discuss personnel at 9:37 p.m.

Upon return to open session at 10:28 p.m., there were no motions made.

There being no further business, Chairman Young adjourned the meeting at 10:29 p.m.

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Chairman – Ann Young

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Clerk – JoAnne Suggs