



The Bruneau-Grand View School District Mission
BGVSD will: provide a high quality education, prepare students for futures, enable students to be positive contributors to society.

RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS
JOINT SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 365
BOARD OF TRUSTEES
OCTOBER 10, 2023
RIMROCK BOARD ROOM 102
REGULAR BOARD MEETING

WELCOME AND CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 7: 00 P.M. by Chairman Scott McNeley. Chairman McNeley welcomed patrons and led the pledge.

Board members present were:

Scott McNeley	Chairman
Allen Merrick	Vice Chairman
Steve Boren	Trustee
Gary Jones	Trustee-Absent
Raelynn Mathews	Trustee
Jeff Blaser	Superintendent
JayDene Aquiso	Clerk/treasurer

Treasure Aquiso confirmed a quorum was present.

PUBLIC INPUT I -Will Field-The new gates the kids climb the fence and jump the fence and wall. Will would like for you to think about putting a gate so the students don't get hurt. Really miss how the kids can park at Jumbo's and Gus's Gas, please rethink about this. 1A redistricting-Please talk to the parents and coaches about this and please reconsider if the decision is already made.

ACTION ITEMS I

A. Approve Agenda

Trustee Merrick made a motion with a second by Trustee Boren to approve the agenda, and a vote by the Board agreed. Motion passed.

Vice Chairman Merrick abstained from discussion and voting on Action Items B and C.

B. Approve Merrick Diesel Solutions bill

Trustee Boren made a motion with a second by Trustee Mathews to approve the Merrick Diesel Solutions bill, and a vote by the Board agreed. Motion passed.

C. Approve Ashley Merrick's paycheck

Trustee Boren made a motion with a second by Trustee Mathews to approve Ashley Merrick's paycheck, and a vote by the Board agreed. Motion passed.



Chairman McNeley gave control of the meeting to Vice Chairman Merrick and abstained from discussion and voting on Action Item D.

D. Approve Kelli McNeley's paycheck

Trustee Boren a motion with a second by Trustee Mathews to approve Kellie McNeley's paycheck, and a vote by the Board agreed. Motion passed.

Chairman McNeley resumed control of the meeting.

Consent Agenda

- a. Approve Consent Agenda
- b. Approve minutes of September 12, 2023 regular meeting
- c. Approve Accounts Payable/Payroll
- d. Approve Bruneau Elementary, Grand View Elementary, and Rimrock Accounts
- e. Approve resignations:
 - 1) Amanda Dygert, Junior High Girls Basketball
 - 2) Jessica Medrano, Food Service Director/cook as of May 2024
- f. Approve Coaches
 1. Claire Smith, Head Junior High Girls Basketball
 2. Kyla Jewett, Varsity Girls Basketball
 3. Jackie Thurman, Junior Varsity Girls Basketball
 4. Wylee Aquiso Head Varsity Boys Basketball

Trustee Merrick made a motion with a second by Trustee Boren to approve the consent agenda, and a vote by the Board agreed. Motion passed.

REPORTS TO THE BOARD

Elementary Principal Report - Alex Meyers

- Elementary Data--Alex shared data and growth, Reading/math
- Upcoming Events
 - October 11 - School Talks
 - October 12 - End of Q1
 - October 16 - Parent Teacher Conferences RR
 - October 17 & 18 - PTC Elementary Schools
 - October 23 & 26 - Red Ribbon Week
 - October 27 - PD
 - November 9 - Veterans Day assemblies at elementary schools
 - November 14 - Board Meeting at BES, 1 p.m.
 - November 17-26 - Thanksgiving Break
 - Employee Recognition- Jessica Medrano

Secondary Principal Report - Jon Waterlander

- **Rimrock Academics-MAP-Reading targets-reading is a little low**
Reading Targets
 - Growth: 60% in 60th Percentile



- Achievement: Median is 50th Percentile

Reading Actual:

- Growth: 37% in 60th Percentile ($\Delta = -23\%$)
- Median is 40th Percentile

Reading Observations

- Grade 6 is entering Rimrock with relatively strong reading skills
- Grades 7 & 10 have lowest achievement scores
- Grades 8 & 9 are distributed consistently with national averages

Language Targets:

- Growth: 60% in 60th Percentile
- Achievement: Median is 50th Percentile

Language Actual:

- Growth: 67% in 60th Percentile ($\Delta = +7\%$)
- Median is 48th Percentile

Language Observations

- Grade 6 is entering Rimrock with a range of language skills
- Grades 7 & 10 again have lowest achievement scores
- Grades 8 & 9 are distributed above national averages

Math Targets:

- Growth: 70% in 60th Percentile
- Achievement: Median = 50th Percentile

Math Growth Actual:

- Growth: 72% in 60th Percentile ($\Delta = +2\%$)
- Median is 43rd Percentile

Math Observations

- Grade 6 is entering Rimrock with a range of math skills
- Grades 7 & 10 again have lowest achievement scores
- Grades 8 is distributed consistently with national averages
- Grade 9 is distributed above national average

BRtI Data

45 Violations in September '23

41 V1s (Blue) / 4 V2s (Red) / 0 V3s

Year To Date (TD):

81 Violations (74 V1 / 6 V2 / 1 V3)

Top Violations:



Disrupting Class (44%)
Disrespectful / Insubordination (11%)
Inappropriate Physical Contact (11%)
Swearing / Language (9%)

Notable:

11 Academic Integrity Incidents YTD

Low rates of violations for Dress Code, Personal Electronics, and Food or Drink without permission

Rimrock Culture

Attendance Rate YTD = 94.4% (Target > 95%)

Missing Assignments Completed (Sep 23): 205/226, 90.1% (Target >80%)

Homecoming Week Recap

Spirit Events throughout week (Hallways Decorations, Dress-Up Days, Macho VB, Pep Rally, Powderpuff FB, Tailgating, Float Decorations)

Dance was on Saturday, 30 Sep

Athletics Update

Football: 2-5 (1-1 Conf), vs. ID City on 20 Oct; JH has home games on 12/15/19 Oct

Volleyball: 9-4 (7-3 Conf), HS District vs. Wilder tomorrow; JH Season Complete (4th in Conf)

Cross-Country: Rusty Fender on 4 Oct (>130 runners); Winston Tilzey tomorrow, District

@Eagle Island on 18 Oct

Sources of Strength

Adult Advisor Training on 29 Sep

Peer Leader (Student) Training today (10 Oct) 42 students joined the training.

Employee Recognition: Zack Dygert (Wood Shop / Ag)

Took Plants and Soils class (4 students) to District FFA land & homesite eval competition

Earned 2nd place out of 6 schools; qualified for State competition on 12th Oct. in Burley

Superintendent Report - Jeff Blaser-

- **Technology**

Department Director: Randy Bow-Contracted with BGV in June (Part Time)

On Campus 2 days per week (weekend and weekday)

Works full time for ISDB as Technology Director-for 29 years

Manages 3 full time staff at Gooding and 6 other regions

3000 students statewide

BSU Alum - BS in Early Childhood Education, Masters in School of Engineering - Instructional Performance Technology.

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Speech Language Pathologist - Portland State

Randy Bow introduced himself and talked about the technology needs.

The infrastructure is old but in pretty good shape but we need to plan for the future. The biggest issue is his time in the district. We are about 80% wireless so our wireless system needs to be rock solid. Troublespots were in the server room. Randy is worried about what is going to fail and what is going to fail first. Randy thinks we need to work on the backups, he is worried that we will lose data if something goes wrong. Critical data we are talking about is financial records, student and staff data. We will be working on our priority list and a 5 year plan and it will be in our Strategic plan with safety and security. We need to move planning our technology budgets. We are going to try to standardize our systems.

- **School Board Election Results**

I.C. 33-502B and Policy 1110 – Elections

If, after expiration of the date for filing written nominations, it appears that only one qualified candidate has been nominated for a position or if only one candidate has filed a write-in declaration of intent, no election shall be held for that position. The Board or the clerk, with the written permission of the Board, shall declare such candidate elected as a Trustee.

The clerk shall immediately prepare and deliver to the person a certificate of election signed by him or her bearing the seal of the District. All other scheduled trustee elections will move forward under the regular procedures.

Congratulations Trustee Merrick and Chairman McNeley

- ISBA Annual Convention November 15-17, 2023 Boise Center on the Grove
2024 Proposed ISBA Resolutions
 - <https://www.idsba.org/member-services/advocacy/resolutions/>
 - Resolution 1: [School Age and Accountability](#)
 - Resolution 2: [Funding Formula Principles](#)
 - Resolution 3: [Open Enrollment Program and Building Capacity Limits](#)
 - Resolution 4: [Requirements for Paraprofessional Employment in Idaho](#)
 - Resolution 5: [Career Ladder Placement for School Nurse and Speech/Language Personnel](#)
 - Resolution 6: [Streamlining Consistent ISBA Legislative Priorities](#)
 - Resolution 7: [Bond and Levy Election Communications](#)

- **Policy 8320 (Review and Update)**

History: Updated 5/9/23 from 706.1 to 8320

Update 10/10/2023:

Title – More General to allow for a broader coverage of safety



Goal – Focus – accountability
Added-Lock Down Drills, Hall Check Drills
Location of AED and Utility shut off
Reverse Evacuation, Lock Down Plan, Hall Check Plan

- **ISBA Policy Rewrite**

Fresh Start policy Manual-discussion was held on the policy rewrite.

ISBA customizes each model policy with district information.

Revisions based on requested changes

Proofreading of policies

Master copy of each section of the revised manual provided in MS Word format.

Concerns with current policy situation

The Board is not able to fulfill their purpose as stated.

The district is in a position of potential liability in the event of a situation that requires specific, accountable policies and procedures.

Current policy format is confusing to our stakeholders – Example - Website:

1. 4021.1 – Emergencies
2. 403.2 – Security
3. 8320 Fire Drills and Evacuations (Lockdowns?)
4. 706.1 Student Safety Drills
5. 706.1.1 – Student Safety Policy
- c. Request approval of purchase (\$4,000)
[Supports my Superintendent Goal #5]

- **Maintenance Report**

Requests for sealed bids for the Duplex Remodel were sent, only one received within the specified time frame.

*C2 construction

2. Auditorium Structural Damage – Cracks in the ceiling, interior and exterior walls will be examined by Tamarack Grove Engineering on Oct. 11

3. Rimrock Portable Roof and Deck two bids:

* C2 – \$12,000

* Rangeland Const. - \$18,000

4. District Housing – Kitchen Remodel

* C2 - \$23,000

5. GVE Duplex Bid

* C2 – Open Sealed Bids during Action Items II

- **Monthly Budget Review**-Revenues should be at approximately 25% at the end of **October**



Earnings on Investments continues to show aggressive gains
Other Local – Budgeted 3000. We received above this amount
State Based Apportionment – The State frontloaded a portion of our Discretionary funds.
Placed in Salary Based Apportionment
Lottery/Additional State Maintenance – Funds received from the State Lottery
Commission. It is paid in installments.

EXPENDITURES

Total Board of Education Program – Annual payment for District’s insurance coverage.

FUND BALANCE

FB- The District took in \$69K more than it spent this month

Rent – Spent More than took in – (Repairs)

Food Service – Spent more than took in

- **Bruneau Elementary Hard to Fill**

Regarding K/1 posting –

- We have had it posted since last spring. We refresh our postings each week
- We have had three interested applicants; however, for various reasons, either the candidate pulled out or the interview committee decided not to move forward, it remains open.
- Currently, we have 35 K-5 students at Bruneau, two 3-grade combo teachers.
- One teaching K,1,2 and the other teaching 3,4,5. We have hired paraprofessionals that are assisting in each room.
- We are continuing to recruit and accept applications for the position until December. Then, in the spring, we will re-open for next year in hopes of finding a K/1 teacher.
- We will be awarding both of our 3-grade combo teachers a “Hard-to-Fill” stipend in May.

- Technology

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- JUUL Tobacco Settlement



The Bruneau-Grand View School District entered the Juul Vape/Tobacco Settlement Lawsuit in 2021.

This was a \$438.5 million dollar settlement between e-cigarette maker Juul Labs Inc. and more than 30 states will require changes to the company's marketing practices that allegedly target youths. Separate litigations were brought by hundreds of school districts across the country that contend they have been harmed by the rapid rise of student vaping.

The largest award receiving district was New York City Public Schools with 1,584 PK-12 schools. They received \$7,210,714.00. The smallest amount awarded was to 189 school districts for the amount of \$2,524.00 each.

BGV was awarded a settlement of \$2,945.00.

1,526 school districts were awarded settlements.

Action Required – Approve release of all claims toward Juul. Vote needs to be recorded in minutes in order for funds to be released and sent.

EXECUTIVE SESSION (Roll Call Vote)

The Executive Session will be held in the Rimrock Board Room -102. All patrons will be excused to visit outside the room and will be notified when open session reconvenes.

In accordance with Idaho Code 74-206(1)(a)(b), the Board may hold an Executive Session -

(a) To consider hiring a public officer, employee, staff member or individual agent, wherein the respective qualities of individuals are to be evaluated in order to fill a particular vacancy or need. This paragraph does not apply to filling a vacancy in an elective office or deliberations about staffing needs in general;

(b) To consider the evaluation, dismissal or disciplining of, or to hear complaints or charges brought against, a public officer, employee, staff member or individual agent, or public school student;

Trustee Boren made a motion in accordance with Idaho Code 74-206 (1) (B), the Board may hold an Executive Session to hear the evaluation of an employee, with a second by Trustee Merrick to move into executive session, and a vote by the Board agreed. Motion passed. Chairman McNeley asked Clerk Aquiso to poll the board for roll call. Roll call vote:

Steve Boren – yes, Gary Jones – absent, Scott McNeley – yes, Allen Merrick – yes, Raelynn Mathews – yes - The Board moved into executive session 9:15 pm. Patrons left room 102.

Took a 5 minute break.

Mr. Waterlander, Mr. Blaser, Mr. Meyers and Clerk Aquiso were present.

- Evaluation of employee was considered
- Board moved back into open session at 9:42 pm

ACTION ITEMS II

Possible action item(s) resulting from executive session



A. Possible action item(s) resulting from executive session-None

B. Approve recommendations of the policy committee changes

1. Approve 9409 update (Reviewed 9/12/23)
2. Approve 5 renewal requests for 9409 staff members (Reviewed 9/12/23)
3. Approve Training Plan related to policy 9409 (Reviewed 9/12/23)
4. Approve Policy 8320 - District Safety and Emergencies Policy
5. Approve ISBA Rewrite Policy purchase

Discussion was to consider the blended rewrite on the policy update-we need to fix the policies.

Trustee Boren made a motion with a second by Trustee Merrick to approve Policy changes to 9409 and 5 renewal requests, training plan to 9409, policy 8320 and ISBA rewrite policy purchase, and a vote by the Board agreed. Motion passed.

C. Juul Tobacco Settlement - Approve release of claims

Trustee Boren made a motion with a second by Trustee Merrick to approve Juul Tobacco Settlement and approve the release of claims, and a vote by the Board agreed. Motion passed.

D. Open Bids and Award Bid for Duplex in Grand View

Discussion was held on the Duplex and if they should move forward with the bid. The drop ceiling would have to stay. The board looked at the plans for the duplex. Get a quote on HVAC-paint and look at the roof and outside shape.

Trustee Merrick made a motion with a second by Trustee Boren to open Bid, and a vote by the Board agreed. Motion passed.

Trustee Boren made a motion with a second by Trustee Mathews to table and award the bid at the next board meeting, and a vote by the Board agreed. Motion passed.

E. Approve updated Classified Salary Schedule to include Daycare Student Work Release.

Discussion was held on the work release and paying the students. Day Care is staffed and we have about 7 children attend.

Trustee Boren made a motion with a second by Trustee Merrick to approve updated Classified Salary Schedule to include Daycare student work, and a vote by the Board agreed. Motion passed.

F. Approve Daycare Portable Roof Replacement

Trustee Merrick made a motion with a second by Trustee Boren to approve a bid from C-2 Construction for a Metal Roof for DayCare, and a vote by the Board agreed. Motion passed.

G. Approve Rental Remodel Waterlander's Kitchen

Trustee Merrick made a motion with a second by Trustee Boren to approve Kitchen Remodel to (Waterlander's) Rental, and a vote by the Board agreed. Motion passed.

DISCUSSION

- A. November afternoon (1:00 pm) meeting at Bruneau Elementary

ADJOURN



Trustee Boren made a motion with a second by Trustee Merrick to adjourn, and a vote by the Board agreed. Motion passed.

All businesses of the Board having been completed, Chairman McNeley adjourned the meeting at 10: 24 p.m.

CHAIRMAN OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEE
October 10, 2023

CLERK/TREASURE