

Camas County School District
Regular/Annual Meeting of the Board of Trustees
July 12, 2010

Chairman Claude Ballard called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. in the high school English room. Keith Lemons and Michelle Wolf were absent. All other members were present. Also attending were administrators Jim Cobble and Jeff Rast, clerk Wendy Strickler and audience members Kevin Brew, Gordy Schroeder, and John Neely. The meeting was taped in entirety for the record.

Approval of Previous Minutes: Moved by Marianne Kramer, seconded by Megan Bradley to approve the minutes of the June 12, 2010 regular meeting. All members voted yes.

Payment of the Bills: Moved by Megan Bradley, seconded by Marianne Kramer to pay expenditures as submitted. All members voted yes.

Scheduled Delegations : None

Unfinished Business:

2nd Reading/Approval of Evaluation Policy #454: Discussion regarding observations was held. Mr. Ballard requested more information be added to the observation section of the policy. The policy was tabled until the August meeting for further corrections.

Organization of the Board:

Elect Chairperson and Vice-Chairperson: Moved by Marianne Kramer, seconded by Megan Bradley to elect Claude Ballard as board chairman for the 2010/2011 school year. All members voted yes.

Moved by Claude Ballard, seconded by Megan Bradley to elect Marianne Kramer as board vice-chairperson for the 2010/2011 school year. All members voted yes.

Hire Clerk of the Board: Moved by Marianne Kramer, seconded by Megan Bradley to hire clerk Wendy Strickler. Claude Ballard abstained from the vote, all other members voted yes.

Establish Time, Date and Location of Regular Meetings: Moved by Marianne Kramer, seconded Megan Bradley to hold the monthly regular meetings on the second Monday of each month at 7:00 p.m. in the High School English room. All members voted yes.

Appoint Bill Review Person: Megan Bradley was appointed as the bill review person for the 2010/2011 school year with Keith Lemons as alternate.

Accept Bid for Bus #22: Moved by Marianne Kramer, seconded by Megan Bradley to accept Janet Croner's bid of \$253.00 for bus #22. All members voted yes.

Student Handbook 2010/2011: Discussion was held regarding changes to the student handbook. Proposed credit and graduation requirement amendments were discussed. As required by the State, math and science credits will be increased from four to six and science credits. It was also proposed to increase elective credits from seventeen to eighteen and to change the careers class from a required class to an elective. It was suggested by administration that a list of graduation requirement be attached to school board policy #651 Graduation Requirements.

Principal's Report:

- The Powerschool implementation is going well. We have a new project manager who is very helpful. The program is very impressive and should be live on July 30th.
- We are still looking for a bus driver. Fliers will be put up around town and an ad placed in the Mountain Express.
- Mr. Rast commended two teachers, Bridget Smith and Kristie Olsen for going above and beyond the call of duty this summer. Bridget has been helping Tech coordinator John Neely and Kristie is working on a new behavior management program.

Technology Report – John Neely

- The fiber conduit is broken between the new elementary school and the old school eliminating the possibility of computer access at the old school through cable. A wireless system will be researched.
- The teachers new computers are in and running.

Maintenance Report – Kevin Brew:

- A Church group trimmed trees at the football field and schools this week for a community service project.
- The gym floors will be resurfaced on July 22nd.
- The dead birch tree in front of the high school entrance will be removed and replace.

- Vandals have broken off locks on the weight room windows to gain access to the building. It was suggested that video cameras be placed in the room to try and catch the people responsible.

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- New public access keys for the weight room area have been issued to patrons in an attempt to try and eliminate access to the east portion of the building.
- Discussion was held regarding the bleachers at the football field and the possibility that the City may request that they be moved off the old track. The City feels that future Federal grants may be in jeopardy if the bleachers remain on the track. Documentation will be provided by the city of the specific issues and a meeting will be scheduled between city and school.
- A new roof is being installed on the teacherage and the bathroom is being remodeled. Pictures showing the poor condition of the teacherage were reviewed. If there is money remaining in the budget after the roof and bathroom repairs are complete kitchen repairs will be started.

Superintendent's Report:

- The annual board dinner will be held on July 24th at 6:00 p.m. at Claude and June Ballard's cabin on Cherry Creek.
- The annual audit will be conducted on July 26th and 27th.

Date and Time for August Meeting: Moved by Marianne Kramer, seconded by Megan Bradley to hold the August meeting on Wednesday the 11th. All members voted yes.

Executive Session: Moved by Marianne Kramer, seconded by Megan Bradley to hold an executive session at 8:20 p.m. as authorized by Idaho Code 67-2345b for personnel issues in regard to hiring. A roll call vote was held as follows: Megan Bradley – yes; Marianne Kramer – yes; and Claude Ballard – yes.

Moved by Marianne Kramer, seconded by Megan Bradley to adjourn the executive session and reconvene in open session at 8:35 p.m. All members voted yes.

Moved by Marianne Kramer, seconded by Megan Bradley to appoint Bridget Smith as the assistant Technology Coordinator with an annual stipend of \$2,000.00. All members voted yes.

Announcements:

The next regular meeting will be held on August 11, 2010 at 7:00 p.m.

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Adjournment: Moved by Megan Bradley, seconded by Marianne Kramer to adjourn the meeting at 8:37 p.m. All members voted yes.

Chairman, Claude Ballard

Clerk, Wendy Strickler

CAMAS COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT
REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES
AUGUST 11, 2010

Chairman Claude Ballard called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. in the high school English room. Megan Schroeder was absent. All other members were present. Also attending were administrators Jim Cobble and Jeff Rast, clerk Wendy Strickler, and audience members Ted Strickler, Kevin Brew, Mark Hansen and Marian Lane.

Moved by Michelle Wolf, seconded by Marianne Kramer to amend the agenda to include an item under unfinished business for discussion of City concerns about the track and football field. All members voted yes.

Approval of Previous Minutes: Moved by Marianne Kramer, seconded by Keith Lemons to approve the minutes of the July 12th meeting as corrected. All members voted yes.

Payment of Bills: Keith Lemons reviewed the bills in Megan Schroeder's absence. Moved by Keith Lemons, seconded by Michelle Wolf to approve payment of August expenditures. All members voted yes.

Scheduled Delegations:

Mark Hansen requested that the school consider applying for an Idaho Power incentive program which will help fund old lighting fixture change outs. Mr. Hansen submitted a proposal of \$4,379.00 to change out lighting fixtures in the old gym. He estimated that the change out will pay for itself in a short amount of time because the reimbursement from Idaho Power will be approximately \$2,160.00 and electricity costs for the gym will decrease significantly. By board consensus Mr. Hansen will complete all Idaho Power paper work and begin the lighting change out as soon as possible.

Unfinished Business:

Track and Football Field Concerns: Discussion was held regarding a request from the City to schedule a meeting between City, County and School officials to discuss the track and football field facilities. The City may not be able to apply for future Recreation grants unless the facilities are modified and/or repaired. The property where the track and football field are located is jointly owned by the City and County, but maintained by the school. The City is proposing that all three organizations share the cost of repairs equally. Mr. Cobble will forward the grant, which was awarded in 1974, and supporting documents to our attorney for a legal opinion. It was agreed that a meeting should be scheduled as soon as possible to discuss scope of work and costs associated with the proposed project.

3rd Reading/Approval – Evaluation Policy #454: Moved by Marianne Kramer, seconded by Keith Lemons to approve Policy #454 Evaluation. All members voted yes.

Approval of 2010/2011 Student Handbook: Changes to the handbook were very minimal. It was proposed that the Careers class be changed from a required class to an elective class.

Moved by Michelle Wolf, seconded by Keith Lemons to change the Careers class from a required class to an elective class. All members voted yes.

Moved by Keith Lemons, seconded by Marianne Kramer to approve the Student Handbook as amended. All members voted yes.

Annual Staff/Board Dinner: The annual staff/board dinner will be held on August 23, 2010 at 6:00 p.m.

New Business:

Approval of 2010/2011 Substitute Teacher List: Moved by Keith Lemons, seconded by Michelle Wolf to approve the 2010/2011 Substitute Teacher list. All members voted yes.

Approval of 2010/2011 Bus Driver List: Moved by Marianne Kramer, seconded by Michelle Wolf to approve the list of Bus Drivers for 2010/2011 with the addition of Teri Backstrom who has accepted a position as a route driver. All members voted yes.

Approve Cross Country Team: Moved by Michelle Wolf, seconded by Marianne Kramer to approve the addition of a Cross Country Team at the high school. All members voted yes. Marian Lane has agreed to donate her time to coach the team which currently has three members. Transportation concerns were discussed and it was agreed that the school district provide bussing for the Cross Country team.

Principal's Report:

- Jeff Rast, Sue Robbins, Lisa Adamski, John Neely and Wendy Strickler have been implementing Powerschool, the new student management software. It will be a great tool for teachers and administrators. Training will be provided for staff before school begins.
- A staff teambuilding retreat will be held at the Sawtooth Camp on August 25, 2010.
- High School registration will be next week.
- Football and Volleyball teams both have zero week games.

Superintendent’s Report:

- The teacherage remodel is almost complete. The roof metal has been replaced, the bathroom floor and walls have been repaired and trim and paint on the outside of the home will be finished soon. Next year the kitchen will be scheduled for repair.
- The annual financial audit was performed the last week of July by Ware and Associates from Twin Falls. We are very pleased with their audit procedures. Adjusting entries have already been entered and we already know that our fund balances for 2009/2010 are better than expected.
- Camas County School District will receive about \$51,400 in additional federal stimulus money this year. We may revisit salary reductions, but we are unsure what strings will be attached to this money.
- A maintenance agreement for the roof top HVAC heating units was discussed. It was suggested that local vendors be used to service the units if possible.

Executive Session: Moved by Marianne Kramer, seconded by Michelle Wolf to hold an executive session as authorized by Idaho Code 67-2345b for hiring. A roll call vote was held as follows; Keith Lemons – yes, Michelle Wolf – yes, Marianne Kramer – yes, and Claude Ballard – yes.

Moved by Keith Lemons, seconded by Marianne Kramer to adjourn the executive session and reconvene in open session at 8:55 p.m. All members voted yes.

Announcements:

The next meeting will be held on September 13, 2010.

Adjournment: Moved by Keith Lemons, seconded by Michelle Wolf to adjourn the meeting at 8:56 p.m. All members voted yes.

Chairman, Claude Ballard

Clerk, Wendy Strickler

**CAMAS COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT
REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES
SEPTEMBER 13, 2010**

Chairman Claude Ballard called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. in the high school English room. Megan Schroeder and Keith Lemons absent. All other members present. Also attending were administrators Jim Cobble and Jeff Rast, clerk Wendy Strickler, and audience members John Neely, Ted Strickler, Galen Colter, Kristie Olsen, Matt McLam, Kevin Brew and Mike Gill. This meeting was taped in entirety for the record.

Minutes: Moved by Michelle Wolf, seconded by Marianne Kramer to approve the minutes from the August 11, 2010 meeting. All members voted yes.

Payment of the Bills: Claude Ballard reviewed the bills in Megan Schroeder's absence. Moved by Marianne Kramer, seconded by Michelle Wolf to pay expenditures for September. All members voted yes.

Scheduled Delegations:

PBIS Program – Kristie Olsen: Kristie Olsen described a positive behavior reinforcement program called PBIS that the K-5 teachers are implementing. The program will help teachers have consistent discipline in grades K-5. Staff members hope the program will decrease time dedicated to discipline and provide more time for classroom instruction. Mrs. Olsen will be applying for a grant to provide funding for the program. If Camas County is awarded the grant, junior high and high school staff and students could be included in the program.

Donation – Gordy Schroeder: Mr. Schroeder was unable to attend the meeting. The presentation will be rescheduled for the October meeting.

Unfinished Business:

1974 Camas Community Recreation Project: Discussion was held regarding the need to address Idaho Parks and Recreation compliance issues at the football field/tennis court facility. In a meeting held with the City and County regarding the facility, representatives from the three entities agreed to each share 1/3 of the cost of required repairs to the area in either money contribution or in-kind work. The City received a quote for \$6,000.00 to repair the tennis courts and Mr. Cobble suggested that the school contributed as much as \$3,000.00 toward the repairs of the tennis court as our portion of the project. The county will be providing labor and equipment to relocate the access ramp from the front of the bleachers to the north side. Moved by Michelle Wolf, seconded by Marianne Kramer, to allocate up to \$3,000.00 for the school district's 1/3 share of compliance repairs to the football field/tennis court facility. All members voted yes.

New Business:

2010/2011 Bus Route Approval: Moved by Marianne Kramer, seconded by Michelle Wolf to approve bus routes for the 2010/2011 school year. The 2010/2011 bus routes are the same as the 2009/2010 routes with the exception of the route up Soldier Creek, which is four miles shorter.

Wildlife Biology Field Trip Approval: Moved by Marianne Kramer, seconded by Michelle Wolf to approve the wildlife biology field trip to Yellowstone Park on October 8th, 9th and 10th. All members voted yes.

Principal's Report:

- The high school team building retreat at the Sawtooth Camp was a big success.
- The school year is off to a great start.
- The RTI process is several months ahead of last year.
- The Cross Country team is doing very well.
- Jon Botz has agreed to be an activity bus driver.

Superintendent's Report:

- The gym light retrofit is complete and we will offer the old lights to the Bliss School District.
- The district will be receiving \$52,000 additional revenue from the Educational Job Fund. Distribution of the revenue will be considered carefully. Several factures will be taken into consideration, a possible midyear hold back, passage of the supplemental levy, and possible salary reduction in the 2011/2012 school year. We may consider a possible bonus at the end of the year to replacing the 3% salary cuts imposed in the 2010/2011 budgets.
- No snow removal bids have been received.
- The ISBA conference will be held in November.
- We will sign a maintenance contract with TML Heating and AC this year, but look for a local contractor to service our HVAC equipment next year.

Executive Session: Moved by Marianne Kramer, seconded by Michelle Wolf to hold an executive session at 8:15 p.m. as authorized by Idaho Code 67-2345b for personnel hiring discussion. A roll call votes was held, results are as follows: Michelle Wolf – yes; Marianne Kramer – yes and Claude Ballard – yes.

Moved by Michelle Wolf, seconded by Marianne Kramer to adjourn the executive session and reconvene in open session at 8:40 p.m. All members voted yes.

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Announcements: The next regular meeting will be held on October 11, 2010.

Adjournment: Moved by Michelle Wolf, seconded by Marianne Kramer to adjourn the meeting to 8:44 p.m. All members voted yes.

Chairman, Claude Ballard

Clerk, Wendy Strickler

**CAMAS COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT
REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES**

OCTOBER 11, 2010

Chairman Claude Ballard called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. in the high school English room. Keith Lemons was absent. All other members were present. Also attending were administrators Jim Cobble and Jeff Rast, clerk Wendy Strickler, auditor Lance Wuthrich, and audience members Gordy Schroeder, Galen Colter, Ted Strickler, Bridget Smith, Mandy Palan and Austin Walker.

Approval of Minutes: Moved by Michelle Wolf, seconded by Marianne Kramer to approve the minutes of the September 13, 2010 meeting. All members voted yes.

Payment of the Bills: Moved by Megan Schroeder, seconded by Marianne Kramer to approve payment of the bills. All members voted yes.

Scheduled Delegations:

2009/2010 Audit Report: Auditor Lance Wuthrich from Ware and Associates accounting firm in Twin Falls presented the 2009/2010 financial audit report. He reported the audit team found everything in order, and that the District has a three month operating balance which indicates we are currently in good financial condition.

Delinquent property taxes in Camas County are currently at 6.88% and State wide they continue to rise each year. Mr. Wuthrich suggested keeping a close eye on delinquent taxes to anticipate possible cash flow problems.

Moved by Megan Schroeder, seconded by Marianne Kramer to accept Ware and Associates contract for audit service for the 2010/2011 school year in the amount of \$7,450.00. All members voted yes.

Birds of Prey Fieldtrip: Fifth Grade teacher Bridget Smith reported that the K-5 grade field trip to the Birds of Prey center in Boise was a big success. Mrs. Smith received a grant from the BLM to pay for half of the transportation costs of the trip.

Donation – SFP Tour: Gordy Schroeder reported that during the SFP Tour in July \$3,031.91 was raised for the students of Camas County, \$306.00 for track, \$772.50 for volleyball, \$462.10 for football, \$100.00 for basketball, and \$1,391.31 for the cheerleaders. Next year he would like to see more groups involved and has set a goal of raising \$5,000.00 for the students.

Graduation Time and Date: Senior class representative Austin Walker requested that the board approve May 27th at 7:00 p.m. as the date and time for high school graduation. Moved by Michelle Wolf, seconded by Marianne Kramer to approve holding the high school graduation ceremony on May 27, 2011 at 7:00 p.m. All members voted yes.

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Lighting Retrofit: Mr. Marc Hansen has suggested that 91 light fixtures be replaced in the high school through the Idaho Power Energy Efficiency Project. By board consensus Mr. Hansen will be asked to complete the project.

Unfinished Business:

1974 Camas Community Recreation Project compliance Agreement: At a County Commissioners meeting on September 27th commissioners requested that Mrs. Strickler draft an agreement between the City, the County and the School to address compliance issues as stated in an August 3, 2009 letter from Parks and Recreation representative Kathy Muir. The agreement lists the responsibilities of each entity for the current project and clarifies that all three entities agree that on-going maintenance and repairs will be shared equally, in either monetary contribution or in-kind work.

Board members and administrators thanked Mr. Colter and the Ag classes for painting at the football field. Mr. Colter requested that a new hot water heater be installed at the concession stand.

Moved by Michelle Wolf, seconded by Megan Schroeder to approve the compliance agreement between the City of Fairfield, the County of Camas and the Camas County School District. All members voted yes.

Track and Field Improvement Plan: Mr. Cobble met with track coaches Candice Smith and Jason Ellingson, athletic directors Sue Robbins and Randy Jewett and Principal Jeff Rast to discuss future improvements at the track/football field area. A plan was developed which will provide a long term solution to facility issues and will provide a better environment for student supervision. Discussion was held regarding the nine components of the plan which are 1) remove the trailer/concession stand; 2) paint restrooms; 3) convert/remodel original concession stand; 4) relocate earth mound in front of bleachers to allow for continuation of three or four practice lanes; 5) build a long jump pit; 6) build a triple jump pit; 7) construct discus and shot put areas; 8) renovate track area (weed control and grading); 9) possible placement of the high jump pit on existing tennis court.

Heat Tape Installation in Roof Valleys: Robert's Electric was the only electrical contractor who submitted a bid for heat tape installation in the roof valleys at the school. Their bid of \$6,467.00 will provide heat tape installation in six valleys and the work will be completed in October.

New Business:

Approve University of Idaho/Camas County School District STEM Memo of

Understanding: Moved by Megan Schroeder, seconded by Marianne Kramer to approve the University of Idaho/Camas County School District STEM (science, technology, engineering and math) Memorandum of Understanding. All members voted yes.

Snow Removal Bid: Moved by Marianne Kramer, seconded by Michelle Wolf to accept Mike Funkhouser's bid of \$85.00 per hour for snow removal. All members voted yes.

Principal's Report:

- The Yellowstone Field trip was a great success.
- Teacher collaboration time will begin on October 21st.
- Our current teacher evaluation policy will be revised and submitted for first reading at the November meeting. The policy needs to be amended to align with State requirements.

Superintendent's Report:

- Powerschool software is up and running and working well. It will be an ongoing project to implement all features of the software.
- The movie Waiting for Superman is about the education system in the United States and has some justifiable points, but doesn't point out any successes in public education.
- The Annual ISBA Conference will be held November 10 – 12 in Boise.

Executive Session: Moved by Marianne Kramer, seconded by Megan Schroeder to hold an executives session at 8:25 p.m. as authorized by Idaho Code 67-2345b in regard to hiring. A roll call vote was held as follows, Megan Schroeder – yes, Michelle Wolf – yes, Marianne Kramer – yes, and Claude Ballard – yes.

Moved by Megan Schroeder, seconded by Marianne Kramer to adjourn the executive session and reconvene in open session at 8:45 p.m. All members voted yes.

Announcements: The next regular meeting will be held on November 8, 2010.

Adjournment: Moved by Michelle Wolf, seconded by Megan Schroeder to adjourn the meeting at 8:46 p.m. All members voted yes.

**CAMAS COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT
REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES**

NOVEMBER 8, 2010

Chairman Claude Ballard called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. in the high school English room. Megan Schroeder was absent. All other members were present. Also attending were administrators Jim Cobble and Jeff Rast, clerk Wendy Strickler, and audience members John Neely, Galen Colter, Jason Ellingson, Marian Lane and Shelli Schroeder.

Approval of Minutes: Moved by Marianne Kramer, seconded by Michelle Wolf to approve minutes of the October 11, 2010 meeting. All members voted yes.

Payment of Bills: Moved by Keith Lemons, seconded by Marianne Kramer to approve payment of bills for November as reviewed by Megan Schroeder. All members voted yes.

Scheduled Delegations:

Concession Stand & Restroom Renovation Project: Ag Science teacher Galen Colter stated his appreciation to Mr. Cobble and Mr. Rast for their willingness to acknowledge the students who worked on the concession stand and restroom project. Mr. Cobble will write a thank you letter to the nine students who participated in the project. Students Jackie Carver, Sydney Carver, Skylar Davie, Zylar Nutsch, Airik Donohoe, Taylor Gorringer, Brandyn Williams, Stephanie Moore, Jordan Hughart, Cody Miller, Dillon Miller, Cody Lane, Rachael Lane, Carlos Robles, Jordan Robles, Jacob Hansen, Colton Rasmussen, Davie Knowlton, and Andrew Simon spent nine hours painting and repairing the facility.

Coaching Staff - Perceptions About This Season:

Football – Jason Ellingson: Mr. Ellingson felt the football team had a good year considering the amount of players and their young age. Having only nine players on the team caused many challenges, but the players had big hearts and a willingness to do whatever he asked of them. Mr. Ballard commended Mr. Ellingson and the students for keeping such positive attitudes with so few players.

Cross Country – Marian Lane: Ms. Lane thanked board members for allowing her to start the Cross Country program. The year started with two boys and ended with four boys and one girl. Senior Bryan John placed 16th in State which is remarkable for a first year runner. All team members improved their times throughout the year and Ms. Lane anticipates several state qualifiers next year.

Volleyball – Shelli Schroeder: Ms. Schroeder started her first year of coaching by taking the girls to volleyball camp in Nevada. Ms. Schroeder thanked the board for having faith in her to coach the team. The volleyball

team had a very successful year earning a State Championship title. Ms. Schroeder was chosen as the state coach of the year and Katelyn Peterson was chosen as state player of the year. Four players were chosen for the 1A Division 2 State team, Katelyn Peterson 1st team, Larissa Stewart and Sierra Sabin 2nd team and Stephane Moore honorable mention.

Michelle Wolf asked coaches if there are areas they feel more support is needed from the school. Marian Lane expressed the Cross Country team's wishes that more people come to watch them compete, but stated that they realize meets are usually quite far way and only last a short time.

Coaches expressed their appreciation to parents and community members for their support, and their thanks for food and beverages provided for meets and games. Also the school's support of motel rooms during State Volleyball tournaments and bussing for Cross County meets and football camps. Jason Ellingson thanked Mr. Rast for taking the time to drive the bus to camps and games when no other drivers were available.

Coaches were thanked for their dedication to the students. Marian Lane was thanked for donated her time to coach the Cross Country team.

Technology Update – John Neely: Mr. Neely reported that the district has three servers, ninety-three computers and several computers that will be reconfigured in the near future. This should allow for two computers to be placed in each classroom.

Because of a collapse in the conduit to the old school the network connection to the music room has been destroyed. A wireless internet connection donated by Jerome School District has been sent to California for repairs and maybe a solution to the connectivity problem. If the wireless connection will not work a new fiber connection will be installed next summer between the two schools to provide connection to that building.

Microsoft licenses and security system licenses are up to date and working well. Teachers are previewing an on-line program called Lexia for math and reading skills practice. Three classes are using an online program for keyboarding skills, first grade, fifth grade and two key boarding classes in the middle school.

The district will be applying for two grants, the EETT grant and the Quest Grant. Several small schools have formed a consortium and will be applying for grants together to try and find more funding for technology.

Political leaders have committed \$40 million dollars to the IEN (Idaho Education Network) for broader band width which will provide faster more dependable internet access for schools.

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IDLA enrollment has increased by 2000 students this year. IDLA is an online school funded by the state. High school seniors will be taking the required economics class through IDLA because the district does not have a certified economics teacher. Other IDLA classes offered this year are Advanced Placement Calculus, Spanish and several recovery classes.

Unfinished Business:

Track and Field Improvement Plan: The County Road and Bridge has been unable to move the ramp at the front of the football bleachers because the ground is to wet. If the ground doesn't dry out this fall the ramp will be moved next spring. Kevin Brew will be using Kevin Wear's backhoe to dig the long jump/triple jump pits.

New Business:

Approve Two Year Supplemental Levy Election: Due to an election consolidation statute change our election procedure is significantly different than it has been in the past. The County Clerk's office will be running the supplemental levy election and trustee election this year.

Mr. Cobble recommended the Board ask patrons to approve the same supplemental levy amount (\$250,000.00) that has been levied the past several years. Approving the \$250,000 per year levy amount will keep taxes exactly as they are right now, which is important in these tough economic times. He suggested developing an election brochure to distribute to the public.

Moved by Keith Lemons, seconded by Marianne Kramer, to hold a two year Supplemental Levy Election on March 8, 2011 in the amount of \$250,000 per year. All members voted yes.

Principal's Report:

- Mr. Rast is attending a three year training program for school administrators called Project Leadership. Mr. Rast feels the training he is receiving is outstanding.
- The staff collaboration program will have a one semester trial period to see how well it will work. Staff and students have stepped up and the process has been very productive. It has been very helpful to have literacy and LEAP volunteers help with student projects during collaboration time. K-5 teachers are focusing on using AIMS web and data cards to plot achievement data for each student. Junior High and High School teachers are discussing and planning a learning expedition. Mr. Rast feels that the collaboration time will really benefit our schools.

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- Mr. Rast stated that he feels very blessed to work with Mr. Cobble.
- Mr. Rast thanked Mr. Colter for going above and beyond the call of duty to create an attitude of civility in our schools.

Mr. Ballard complimented Mr. Cobble, Mr. Rast and the teachers for their professional attitudes and their hard work on behalf of the students. He feels that great strides have been made in the professionalism of our schools.

Superintendent's Report:

- The annual Associated Tax Payers Conference will be held on December 1, 2010. State revenue projections for the coming year will be discussed.
- Karen Echeverria executive director of the Idaho School Board Association has been encouraging trustees and administrators to attend the section of the Annual School Boards conference where resolutions are discussed and passed. There will be no cost to the district for trustees and administrators who wish to attend.

Mr. Cobble will be attending the election consolidation presentation at the ISBA convention to gather information regarding election procedures. County Clerks will now be responsible for conducting school elections and it is our hope that the State will provide them with some training regarding the new process. We will work closely with our county clerk to make sure we understand the new procedures.

Executive Session: Moved by Marianne Kramer, seconded by Michelle Wolf to hold an executive session at 8:12 p.m. as authorized by Idaho Code 67-2345b for issues in regard to personal. A roll call vote was held, Keith Lemons – yes, Michelle Wolf – yes, Marianne Kramer – yes, and Claude Ballard – yes.

Moved by Keith Lemons, seconded by Michelle Wolf to adjourn the executive session and reconvene in open session at 8:20 p.m. All members voted yes.

Announcements: The next regular meeting will be held on December 13, 2010.

Adjournment: Moved by Michelle Wolf, seconded by Keith Lemons to adjourn the meeting at 8:21 p.m. All members voted yes.

Chairman, Claude Ballard

Clerk, Wendy Strickler

**CAMAS COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT
REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES**

DECEMBER 13, 2010

Chairman Claude Ballard called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. in the high school English room. Michelle Wolf was absent. All other members were present. Also attending were administrators Jim Cobble and Jeff Rast, clerk Wendy Strickler and audience members John Neely and Galen Colter.

Approval of Minutes: Moved by Marianne Kramer, seconded by Keith Lemons to approve the minutes of the November 8, 2010 meeting as corrected. All members voted yes.

Payment of the Bills: Moved by Megan Schroeder, seconded by Keith Lemons to approve payment of the bills as submitted. All members voted yes.

Scheduled Delegations: None

Unfinished Business: None

New Business:

March 8, 2011 Supplemental Levy: The legal notice of supplemental levy election and the supplemental levy election ballot were reviewed and discussed. The notice and ballot have changed slightly since the last election. The school district is required by law to provide notice of upcoming elections to the county Clerk by December 14, 2010. Because of new election consolidation laws we are trying to do everything we can to communicate well with the clerk to prevent any confusion in election procedures. Moved by Keith Lemons, seconded by Marianne Kramer to approve the notice and ballot for the supplemental levy election on March 8, 2010. All members voted yes.

Principal's Report:

Collaboration Time: Staff members have been meeting for collaboration time on Thursday each week. Elementary staff members are working on AIMS web training. AIMS web is a testing program which will help teachers plan early interventions for students. Secondary staff members are planning a learning expedition.

Staff members were surveyed to find out if they felt collaboration time was useful. Most staff members see the benefit of collaboration time, but feel that

student supervision is a problem. Possible solutions to the student supervision problems were discussed.

Mr. Cobble added that research shows that districts that have collaboration in their improvement plan show great gains in student achievement

Mr. Rast stated that Kristie Olsen and Ginny Ganguet have been very instrumental in making collaboration work in the elementary school.

ISEE Report: Federal stimulus money received by our State was tied to a federal mandate to institute a data collection system. The State Department of Education has implemented a new longitudinal data system called ISEE to fulfill this mandate. ISEE reports replace most of the yearly reports required by the State Department. Information is currently uploaded to the state department once a month, but in 2011/2012 weekly uploads will be required. Implementing the system has been very labor intensive and every district in Idaho has been struggling to provide clean data to the State. We are one of forty schools in Idaho who have been able to provide an error free report to the State.

Division of Building Safety Inspection Report: The building safety inspection report has been conducted by the Idaho Division of Building Safety and there were no major issues.

Superintendent's Report:

Midyear Budget Report: Our budget is currently right on target. Revenues and expenditures are in line with where they should be this time of year.

Public School Appropriation Forecast for 2011/2012: State of Idaho revenue projections are currently \$240 million in the red and schools may see another 7.5% reduction in state revenues for the 2011/2012 school year. This year our school district reduced state revenues by \$133,010.00 (9.68%). Mr. Cobble commented that Camas County School District is in better shape than most districts, because we have a fund balance, supplemental levy and federal forest revenue.

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Regular Meeting December 13, 2010

Executive Session: Moved by Marianne Kramer, seconded by Megan Schroeder to hold an executive session at 8:10 p.m. as authorized by Idaho Code 67-2345b for personnel. A roll call vote was held as follows, Megan Schroeder – yes, Keith Lemons- yes, Marianne Kramer – yes, and Claude Ballard – yes.

Moved by Keith Lemons, seconded by Marianne Kramer to adjourn the executive session and reconvene in open session at 8:15 p.m. All members voted yes.

Announcements: The next regular meeting will be held on January 10, 2011.

Adjournment: Moved by Megan Schroeder, seconded by Keith Lemons to adjourn the meeting at 8:16 p.m. All members voted yes.

Chairman, Claude Ballard

Clerk, Wendy Strickler

CAMAS COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT
REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES

JANUARY 10, 2011

Vice chairperson Marianne Kramer called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. in the High School English Room. Claude Ballard was absent. All other members were present. Also attending were administrators Jim Cobble and Jeff Rast, clerk Wendy Strickler and audience members Jason and Lindsey Schofield, Galen Colter, Janet Vouch and Travis Martin. This meeting was taped in entirety for the record.

Approval of Minutes: Moved by Keith Lemons, seconded by Megan Schroeder to approve the minutes of the December 13, 2010 regular meeting. All members voted yes.

Payment of Bills: Moved by Megan Schroeder, seconded by Michelle Wolf to approve payment of the bills for January. All members voted yes.

Scheduled Delegation – Jason and Lindsey Schofield:

Executive Session: Moved by Michelle Wolf, seconded by Megan Schroeder to hold an executive session at 7:05 p.m. as authorized by Idaho Code 67-2345b for personnel. A roll call vote was held as follows; Megan Schroeder – yes, Keith Lemons – yes, Michelle Wolf – yes, and Marianne Kramer – yes. In addition to trustees and administration Jason and Lindsey Schofield and Travis Martin attended the executive session.

Moved by Keith Lemons, seconded by Megan Schroeder to adjourn the executive session and reconvene in open session at 7:25 p.m. All members voted yes.

Unfinished Business: None

New Business:

Approve Snow Closure: Moved by Megan Schroeder, seconded by Keith Lemons to approve emergency closure on November 23, 2010 due to weather conditions. All members voted yes.

Principal's Report:

Collaboration Time: To allow all faculty members time to participate in collaboration activities, students will be released at 2:23 p.m. two Mondays per month and on these Mondays teachers will stay an extra hour after school to provide two hours of uninterrupted collaboration time. Discussion was held addressing trustee concerns that required State instructional time would not be met with this plan. Trustees were assured that the district has enough instructional time to implement the plan.

Superintendent's Report:

ISBA Day on the Hill: The annual Idaho School Boards Association Day on the Hill will be held on February 16th and 17th. Trustees are given an opportunity to interact with legislators during this time.

Mr. Cobble will be attending the Superintendent’s Conference in Boise on February 7th and 8th and will have an opportunity to interact with legislators and other superintendents during the conference.

State of the State Address: Governor Otter talked about a 2.5% revenue reduction for all State agencies, but stated that in his budget there is not a reduction in the state education appropriation. Mr. Cobble cautioned that times are tough and we should not be overly optimistic about education funding , because budget analysts predict state revenues will be less than the Governor’s prediction.

Announcements:

- The next regular meeting will be held on February 14, 2011.

Executive Session: Moved by Megan Schroeder, seconded by Michelle Wolf to hold an executive session at 7:45 p.m. as authorized by Idaho Code 67-2345b for personnel. A roll call vote was held as follows; Megan Schroeder – yes, Keith Lemons – yes, Michelle Wolf – yes, and Marianne Kramer – yes.

Moved by Keith Lemons, seconded by Megan Schroeder to adjourn the executive session at 8:00 p.m. All members voted yes.

Moved by Michelle Wolf, seconded by Keith Lemons to adjourn the meeting at 8:01p.m. All members voted yes.

Chairman, Claude Ballard

Clerk, Wendy Strickler

**CAMAS COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT
REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES
FEBRUARY 14, 2011**

Chairman Claude Ballard called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. in the high school English room. Keith Lemons was absent. All other members were present. Also attending were administrators Jim Cobble and Jeff Rast, clerk Wendy Strickler and audience members John Neely, Mandy Palan, Austin Walker, Lucas Lanier and Jeff Lanier.

Approval of Minutes: Moved by Michelle Wolf, seconded by Marianne Kramer to approve the minutes of the January 10, 2011 meeting as written. All members voted yes.

Payment of Bills: Moved by Megan Schroeder, seconded by Marianne Kramer to approve payment of the bills for February. All members voted yes.

Scheduled Delegations – Senior Project Presentations: Teacher Mandy Palan thanked Trustees for allowing two members of the senior class, Austin Walker and Lucas Lanier to present their senior projects. Lucas, and Austin presented very professional, detailed projects. Trustees were impressed by the quality of their presentations and by their dedication to developing such outstanding projects. Trustees praised Ms. Palan for her commitment to the implementation of the senior project and complemented her on the quality of projects the seniors completed.

Unfinished Business:

Supplemental Levy – March 8th: Holding a special meeting on the night of the supplemental levy election to discuss election results and financial strategies was discussed. Trustees felt that a special meeting would not be necessary if they were called on the night of the election with the results. Discussion was held regarding promotion of the levy.

New Business:

Trustee Zone Rezoning Requirements: Idaho law requires that trustee zones be established after each census. A bid will be requested for rezoning services, however Trustees may consider conducting the rezone process in house to cut down on costs.

Immigration Declaration: Discussion was held regarding Representative Wendy Jaquet's request that school boards in her District endorse a legislative proposal titled "Idaho's Immigration Declaration". Board members denied the request, expressing their feelings that schools should not be involved in immigration issues.

Principal's Report:

- During collaboration time K-5 teachers and secondary math teachers are working together to tighten up math scope and sequence. Junior High and High School teachers have divided into two groups, the first group is developing a learning expedition, and the second group is discussing how to meet the needs of a group of middle school students who are drifting behind academically.
- STEM interviews will be conducted on February 24th right after school.
- Mr. Rast applied for and was awarded a Title I excess funds grant of \$9, 432.00. The grant will be used to purchase a computer program designed to boost learning and ISAT test performance.
- Drama teacher Tracee Roe and music teacher Tami Runyon will be joining forces this year to perform a musical production.

Superintendent's Report:

- The progress of Senate Bill 1108, 1109, and 1113 were discussed.
- Discussion was held regarding projected revenue reductions for fiscal year 2012.

Executive Session: Moved by Marianne Kramer, seconded by Megan Schroeder to hold an executive session at 8:45 p.m. as authorized by Idaho Code 67-2345b for personnel. A roll call vote was held, Megan Schroeder – yes; Michelle Wolf – yes; Marianne Kramer – yes and Claude Ballard – yes.

Moved by Megan Schroeder, seconded by Marianne Kramer to adjourn the executive session and reconvene in open session at 9:45 p.m. All members voted yes.

Moved by Michelle Wolf, seconded by Marianne Kramer to pay Shawna Stewart \$500.00 for serving as the cheerleading assistant during the 2010/2011 school year. All members voted yes.

Moved by Michelle Wolf, seconded by Marianne Kramer to extend Mr. Cobble's contract as superintendent for an additional year, the approved contract is for a total of three years including fiscal years 2011/2012, 2012/2013 and 2013/2014. All members voted yes.

Announcements: The next regular meeting will be held on March 14, 2011.

Adjournment: Moved by Michelle Wolf, seconded by Megan Schroeder to adjourn the meeting at 9:48 p.m. All members voted yes.

Chairman, Claude Ballard

Clerk, Wendy Strickler

**CAMAS COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT
REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES
MARCH 14, 2011**

Chairman Claude Ballard called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. in the high school English room. Megan Schroeder was absent. All other members were present. Also attending were administrators Jim Cobble and Jeff Rast, clerk Wendy Strickler and audience members John Neely, Bridget Smith, Galen Colter and Ted Strickler.

Approval of Minutes: Moved by Michelle Wolf, seconded by Keith Lemons to approve the minutes of the February 14, 2011 meeting as corrected. All members voted yes.

Payment of the Bills: Moved by Marianne Kramer, seconded by Keith Lemons to approve payment of the bills for March. All members voted yes. Bills were reviewed by Claude Ballard in the absence of Megan Schroeder.

Scheduled Delegations: None

Unfinished Business: None

New Business:

Amend Agenda: Moved by Keith Lemons, seconded by Michelle Wolf to amend the agenda to include an additional item under New Business, Trustee Zone Analysis. All members voted yes.

Trustee Zone Analysis: Moved by Marianne Kramer, seconded by Keith Lemons to move forward in acquiring a legal description and analysis of trustee zones. All members voted yes.

Trustee Election: There will be three zones up for election this year, Zone #1 Hill City, Zone #4 Fairfield, and Zone #5 Blaine. Several things are different about this year's trustee election. The filing deadline for declaration of candidacy has been moved up a month, and the length of trustee terms has been changed from three to four years. Declarations of candidacy must be turned into the County Clerk's office by 5:00 p.m. on March 18th.

Principal's Report:

- The County Road and Bridge Crew removed ice hazards from the front of the school.

- County officials would like to donate the bell from the old Springdale School as a memorial to Shannon Wolf. Locations for the memorial were discussed.
- Jeff Rast and Ginny Ganquet attended a student behavior management conference in Nampa titled *Love and Logic*. They will work with other staff members who are interested in adapting the Love and Logic techniques to their current student management styles.
- Sue Robbins, Jeff Rast, Ann Frost and Debbie McLam have been discussing trophy cases issues. Many trophies aren't being displayed because of limited space. Discussion was held regarding possible solutions, including the construction of new larger cases in some areas.

Superintendent's Report:

- The 90% approval rate of our supplemental (survival) levy is an example of the involvement of our community in our school system.
- The 2011/2012 school calendar adoption will be postponed this month. The calendar will be discussed after current school reform legislation and state funding appropriations have been completed.
- School District policies will need to be updated because of new State Statutes relating to school reform.
- Anderson, Julian and Hull will be conducting the Education Law Institute on April 18th & 19th in Boise.

Jeff Rast Contract Approval: Moved by Michelle Wolf, seconded by Marianne Kramer to approve the 2011/2012 principal's contract for Jeff Rast. All members voted yes.

Technology Discussion: Mr. Neely reviewed federal laws regarding technology, and reported that policies at our district will need to be changed to comply with current law.

Executive Session: Moved by Marianne Kramer, seconded by Michelle Wolf to hold an executive session at 8:03 p.m. as authorized by Idaho Code 67-2345b for personnel. A roll call vote was held, Keith Lemons – yes, Michelle Wolf – yes, Marianne Kramer – yes, and Claude Ballard – yes.

Moved by Keith Lemons, seconded by Marianne Kramer to adjourn the executive session and reconvene in open session at 8:40 p.m. All members voted yes.

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Regular Meeting – March 14, 2011

Moved by Keith Lemons, seconded by Marianne Kramer to place a CPE on probation. Michelle Wolf abstained from the vote. All other members voted yes.

Moved by Keith Lemons, seconded by Marianne Kramer to accept the resignation of Sue Robbins as athletic director, effective June 30, 2011. All members voted yes.

Moved by Keith Lemons, seconded by Michelle Wolf to adjourn the meeting at 8:45 p.m. All members voted yes.

Chairman, Claude Ballard

Clerk, Wendy Strickler

**CAMAS COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT
REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES
APRIL 11, 2011**

Chairman Claude Ballard called the meeting to order in the high school English room. Megan Schroeder and Keith Lemons were absent. Also attending were administrators Jim Cobble and Jeff Rast, clerk Wendy Strickler and audience members John Neely and Shari Simon.

Approval of Minutes: Moved by Michelle Wolf, seconded by Marianne Kramer to approve the minutes as corrected. All members voted yes.

Payment of Bills: Moved by Marianne Kramer, seconded by Michelle Wolf to approve payment of the bills for April. All members voted yes. Bills were reviewed by Claude Ballard in the absence of Megan Schroeder.

Scheduled Delegations:

LEAP Program – Shari Simon: Shari Simon showed a PowerPoint presentation of the book projects the students in the LEAP (Literacy Enrichment Academic Program) program completed this year. Volunteers have been working with students in grades 1st and 2nd, and students in grades 3rd and 4th, to write and illustrate their own books. Board members were impressed by the quality of the students' books and thanked Mrs. Simon and the LEAP volunteers for their dedication to Camas County students.

Unfinished Business:

Non-contested Trustee Zones: Moved by Marianne Kramer, seconded by Michelle Wolf to declare a non-contested trustee election in Zone #1 and Zone #4 and to declare Jenni Smith elected as Trustee to Zone #4, and Michelle Wolf elected as Trustee to Zone #1. All members voted yes.

Trustee Vacancy: Moved by Michelle Wolf, seconded by Marianne Kramer to accept Megan Schroeder's resignation as trustee of Zone #4 - Fairfield. All members voted yes.

Moved by Marianne Kramer, seconded by Michelle Wolf to declare a trustee vacancy in Zone #4 – Fairfield. All members voted yes.

Mr. Ballard suggested having a trustee workshop and training after the newly elected members have been seated in July.

Track Renovation Plan: Progress on the track renovation project has been slowed due to weather conditions, however last fall, the concession trailer was removed from the football field area, the restrooms were painted, and discussion was held regarding how to proceed with the rest of the project.

2011/2012 School District Calendar Approval: The proposed calendar was developed by Mr. Rast and school staff members and is similar to the 2010/2011 District Calendar. Discussion was held. Moved by Marianne Kramer, seconded by Michelle Wolf to adopt the proposed 2011/2012 School District Calendar. All members voted yes.

New Business:

Resolution to Negate Various Policies: Because of recent Education Reform bills passed during the legislative session, some of our policies will be in conflict with Idaho State Statute. ISBA is recommending schools pass a resolution to negate policies that are in conflict with Idaho State law. Moved by Marianne Kramer, seconded by Michelle Wolf to approve a resolution to negate various policies. All members voted yes.

Principal's Report:

- The nine characteristics of high performing schools were discussed.
- Marsha Rausch from Blaine County School District trained our staff on April 8th to use a new student data management program called Mileposts.
- Discussion was held regarding the elimination of 8th grade graduation. Meetings with parents will be scheduled and further discussion will be held.

Superintendent's Report:

- Federal Forest dollars have been reauthorized by the federal government.
- Discussion was held regarding the State financial distribution for public schools and the budget implications associated with decreased funding.
- The State Department of Education will be holding the post-legislative tour for our region on April 28th in Twin Falls from 8:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.
- We will subscribe to the ISBA policy service to receive policy revisions at a minimal cost.
- We have contracted with Quadrant Consulting for \$800.00 to analyze our current Trustee Zones. After each census, schools are required to analyze the population of each zone and adjust any differences greater than 10%.
- Discussion was held regarding maintenance projects for 2011/2012.
- Austin Walker and Lucas Lanier will present their senior projects to Wendell High School Juniors on April 20th.
- John Neely reported that the school is now on the Idaho Education Network and video teleconferencing can now be held at the school.
- On April 29th at 10:00 a.m. there will be a community meeting with legislators. The location for the meeting will be at the Senior Center or City Hall.

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Regular Meeting – April 11, 2011

Announcements: The next meeting will be held on May 9, 2011.

Adjournment: Moved by Michelle Wolf, seconded by Marianne Kramer to adjourn the meeting at 8:30 p.m. All members voted yes.

Chairman, Claude Ballard

Clerk, Wendy Strickler

**CAMAS COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT
SPECIAL MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES
APRIL 25, 2011**

Chairman Claude Ballard called the meeting to order at 2:00 p.m. in the clerk's office at Camas County School District. Keith Lemons was absent. All other members were present. Also attending were Superintendent Jim Cobble and clerk Wendy Strickler.

Executive Session: Moved by Marianne Kramer, seconded by Michelle Wolf to hold an executive session at 2:02 p.m. as authorized by Idaho Code 67-2345b for personnel. A roll call vote was held, Michelle Wolf – yes, Marianne Kramer – yes, and Claude Ballard – yes.

Moved by Michelle Wolf, seconded by Marianne Kramer to adjourn the executive session and reconvene in open session at 2:10 p.m.

Moved by Marianne Kramer, seconded by Michelle Wolf to terminate custodian Jerale Eaton. All members voted yes.

Moved by Michelle Wolf, seconded by Marianne Kramer to adjourn the meeting at 2:13 p.m. All members voted yes.

Chairman, Claude Ballard

Clerk, Wendy Strickler

**CAMAS COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT
REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES
MAY 9, 2011**

Chairman Claude Ballard called the meeting to order in the high school English room. Also attending were administrators Jim Cobble and Jeff Rast, clerk Wendy Strickler, and audience members Jenni Smith, Pete and Lynn McGuire, Ted Strickler and Galen Colter. This meeting was taped in entirety for the record.

Approval of the Minutes: Moved by Marianne Kramer, seconded by Michelle Wolf to approve the minutes of the April 11th and April 25th meetings. All members voted yes.

Payment of Bills: Moved by Keith Lemons, seconded by Marianne Kramer to approve payment of the bills for May. All members voted yes. Bills were reviewed by Claude Ballard.

Scheduled Delegations:

Trustee Elect – Jenni Smith: Chairman Ballard welcomed and congratulated Jenni Smith on her election as trustee of Zone #4 – Fairfield. Ms. Smith will be sworn in at the July meeting.

Unfinished Business:

Rezoning of Trustee Zones: Quadrant Consulting, Inc. has reviewed our existing trustee zones and discovered a Census population difference of greater than 10%, which indicates we are out of compliance and must complete Phase II of the rezone process. Claude Ballard, Marianne Kramer, Michelle Wolf, Jim Cobble and Wendy Strickler, met and reviewed a zone status map developed by Quadrant. Changes to the map will be made by the district and then submitted to Quadrant for a final revision of the map. Rezoning maps are due to the State Department on July 8th.

Policy Revisions: Because of new legislation, many of our personnel policies are out of compliance with Idaho Code. We will be using Idaho School Board Association policy and legal services to update these policies.

District Owned House Improvements: Last year we contracted several building improvement projects on the district owned house, but stopped short of remodeling the kitchen. This year money will be allocated in the Fine Arts Program budget to remodel the kitchen. The project will be coordinated by Mr. Cobble and Kevin Brew with the hope of keeping costs to a minimum.

Graduation Date and Time: Graduation will be held on Friday, May 27th at 7:00 p.m. Board Chairman, Claude Ballard will present diplomas.

New Business:

Post Legislative Meeting: The State Department asked that every school district send a five member team to the Post Legislative Meeting in Twin Falls. Claude Ballard, Galen Colter, Randy Jewett, Wendy Strickler and Jim Cobble attended the meeting for our district. The meeting was confusing and participants left not knowing much more than they did when the meeting started.

Snow Removal: Moved by Keith Lemons, seconded by Michelle Wolf to accept the snow removal quote from Ken Cox for the 2011/2012 school year. The quote has three components, 3 yard loader with 14' push blade at \$95.00 per hour, a skid steer with blower at \$85.00 per hour, and a pickup with small plow at \$65.00 per hour. All members voted yes.

Principal's Report:

Eighth Grade Graduation Ceremony: Parents and teachers met and discussed the Eighth Grade Graduation ceremony. Consensus of the meeting participants was that they would still like to have a ceremony, but something less formal than high school graduation. Mr. Ballard stated that community members have approached him and they feel that Eighth Grade Graduation is an important sign of achievement.

Data Driven Educational Decisions: The preliminary ISAT data has raised concerns with some classes, but Mr. Rast feels it is a temporary issue. Test score concerns are compounded because the AYP benchmarks go up this year making it harder to make AYP. Mr. Cobble explained that ISAT tests have changes considerably over the last several years. The Mileposts program should help replace some of the information that was lost during test changes and provide teachers with data that will help drive instruction.

Two teachers have been using AIMSWeb to provide data to chart student achievement week by week. Teachers then analysis the data from AIMSWeb and use it to differentiate instruction for students. These teachers have been having outstanding results.

Superintendent's Report:

2012 Preliminary Budget Report: Mr. Cobble read an email, from Superintendent of Public Instruction Tom Luna, which reported the State's April revenues above projection. Idaho schools may receive up to fifty million (\$50,000 to us) in additional revenues, but it is unclear if this money will be sequestered away for the next budget year.

Mr. Cobble stated the budget this year has been more difficult to try and balance than any he has worked on. He explained revenue projections for the 2011/2012 school year. State revenue projections have decreased by \$31,000.00 and may be decreased another \$32,000 for additional expenses for math and science. The general fund will have a onetime federal revenue item of \$52,129.00. This money is from the federal jobs bill and must be used to replace lost jobs or to recover salary decreases. We will use it to recover salaries. The district will provide the same dollar amount for health insurance next year, but premiums have increased 14%, therefore we are recommending a deductible increase from \$300.00 to \$1,000.00, and a PPO dental policy instead of the traditional policy we currently have.

Executive Session: Moved by Marianne Kramer, seconded by Michelle Wolf to hold an executive session at 8:00 p.m. as authorized by Idaho Code 67-2345b for personnel. A roll call vote was held, Keith Lemons – yes, Michelle Wolf – yes, Marianne Kramer – yes, and Claude Ballard – yes.

Moved by Keith Lemons, seconded by Michelle Wolf to adjourn the executive session and reconvene in open session at 8:22 p.m. All members voted yes.

Hire Certified Staff: Moved by Keith Lemons, seconded by Marianne Kramer to rehire all certified staff members. All members votes yes.

Announcements: The next regular meeting will be held at June 13, 2011.

Adjournment: Moved by Michelle Wolf, seconded by Keith Lemons to adjourn the meeting at 8:22 p.m. All members voted yes.

Regular Meeting/Budget Hearing
Camas County School District Board of Trustees
June 13, 2011

Chairman Claude Ballard called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. in the high school English room. All members were present. Also attending were administrators Jim Cobble and Jeff Rast, clerk Wendy Strickler, and audience members Jenni Smith, Bill Simon, Galen Colter and Ted Strickler.

Budget Hearing: Chairman Ballard recessed the regular meeting and called the budget hearing to order at 7:02 p.m. Mr. Cobble compared the 2010/2011 general fund budget and the 2011/2012 general fund budget, explaining that revenues for fiscal year 2012 include \$58,276.00 from fund balance, and \$52,129.00 of one time money from the federal jobs bill. He also pointed out that the budget has decreased from \$1,638,443.00 in 2008/2009 to \$1,583,850.00 in 2011/2012.

The annual audit will be conducted July 20th – July 22nd by Ware and Associates of Twin Falls. We are very pleased with the audit services Ware and Associates has provided the last two years.

Moved by Marianne Kramer, seconded by Keith Lemons to approve the fiscal year 2012 budget. All members voted yes.

Moved by Keith Lemons, seconded by Marianne Kramer to close the budget hearing and reconvene the regular meeting. All members voted yes.

Approval of the Previous Minutes: Moved by Michelle Wolf, seconded by Keith Lemons to approve the minutes of the May 9, 2011 meeting. All members voted yes.

Payment of Bills: Discussion was held regarding expenditures. Moved by Keith Lemons, seconded by Michelle Wolf to approve payment of the bills for June. All members voted yes.

Scheduled Delegations:

Trustee Elect – Jenni Smith and Trustee Elect – Bill Simon: Mr. Ballard welcomed Jenni Smith (zone #4 trustee) and Bill Simon (zone #5 trustee), and congratulated them on their new positions. Ms. Smith and Mr. Simon will be sworn in at the July meeting.

Unfinished Business:

Rezoning of Trustee Zones: After review of trustee rezoning maps, it appears they are not clearly defined and may be inaccurate. Quadrant will be contacted and asked to reanalyze the data. The July 8th deadline for submission to the State may be hard to meet with current issues.

Policy Revisions: Next year several legislative changes will require us to change our current policies. We will begin revising these policies in July with the help of the ISBA.

Teacher contract forms have changed. Teachers who currently have continuing contract status (tenure) will keep it, but new teachers or teachers who were on a Contract 1, 2 or 3 form will not be granted continuing contract status.

New legislation requires evaluations to be done in two parts, the first half of the year and the second half of the year, they must include parent input, and 50% of the evaluation must be based on analysis of testing data. Discussion was held regarding challenges associated with this process.

Technology changes were discussed and the minimal funding associated with these changes. Our funding for technology for FY2012 is \$4,500.00. A State committee has been formed to give input into implementation of technology in education.

New math and science requirements have already been implemented in our district. State funding to our district for these requirements is \$27,000.00; however we have no guidance on how the money needs to be spent.

Pay- For- Performance will have a big impact on how we pay teachers. It will be calculated on successful completion of both local measures and State measures. This summer we will set local measures for our district. The State will fund the program by decreasing the salary schedule.

Springdale School Bell/Shannon Wolf Memorial: Discussion was held on the location of the Springdale School Bell/Shannon Wolf Memorial. The issue was tabled for further review.

New Business:

Policy #686 IDLA, Online and Correspondence Course: The first reading was held on Policy #686 IDLA, Online and Correspondence Course. Discussion was held.

Policy #649 Middle School Credit System and Promotion: The first reading was held on Policy #649 Middle School Credit System and Promotion. Discussion was held.

Bus Transportation for Summer Swimming Lessons: By consensus the board agreed to provide transportation for swimming lessons in July.

Budget Transfers: Moved by Michelle Wolf, seconded by Marianne Kramer to approve the following budget transfers: \$3,800.00 from the Federal Forest Fund to the Drivers Education Fund; \$446.17 from the School Building Maintenance fund to the General fund; \$12,426.61 of expenditures from the General Fund to the Plant Facility fund; and \$6,097.00 from the General Fund to the Technology Fund. All members voted yes.

Principal's Report – Jeff Rast: Mr. Rast handed out a list of ideas staff members suggested to try and improve ISAT testing results and raise the academic bar at our school. Mr. Rast stated that he is excited about making data based decisions for students.

Superintendent's Report – Jim Cobble:

Graduation Ceremony Discussion: Discussion was held regarding the High School Graduation Ceremony and several issues relating to behavior. Mr. Ballard suggested educating students and parents before the ceremony to try and prevent inappropriate behavior. Discussion was held on developing some guidelines for graduation.

Fall Athletic Programs: As our enrollment decreases participation in sports becomes difficult. The football program is struggling finding enough team members to participate.

Staff Salary and Benefits Meeting: A staff meeting was held at the end of the year to inform staff of salary and benefit options for FY2012. Staff members were informed that the federal jobs bill money will be used for salary recovery. This will restore their rate of pay to what it was three years ago. Health insurance reimbursement rates will stay at \$480.00 per employee per month, but premiums will be increasing. In August employees may chose to increase the deductible to \$1,000.00 and move the dental insurance from a traditional policy to a PPO policy.

Pending Policy and Procedure Implementation: We will start working on the new policies and procedures in July.

Federal Programs Audit: The State Department of Education conducted a Federal Programs Audit in May. We received some commendations and also have some areas that need to be addressed.

Executive Session: No executive session was held this month.

Announcements: The annual meeting will be held on July 11, 2011.

Adjournment: Moved by Keith Lemons, seconded by Marianne Kramer to adjourn the meeting at 8:45 p.m. All members voted yes.

Chairman, Claude Ballard

Clerk, Wendy Strickler