



MINUTES

SPECIAL MEETING/WORK SESSION OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF
BLAINE COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 61
THURSDAY, OCTOBER 27, 2011 – 12:00 P.M.
DISTRICT OFFICE

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I. Call to Order and Welcome

Chairman Steve Guthrie called the Special Meeting/Work Session of the Board of Trustees of Blaine County School District No. 61 to order at 12:00 p.m. and welcomed everyone in attendance.

Present were Board Members Don Nurge, Paul Bates, Kathryn Graves and Shawn Bennion. Also present were Superintendent, Dr. Lonnie Barber, Assistant Superintendent, John Blackman, School District Treasurer, Mike Chatterton and Administrative Assistant, Karen Hoffman.

Chairman Guthrie stated that a quorum was present.

II. Any Additions, Corrections, Modifications or Substitutions to the Current Agenda

None.

III. Examine the Blaine County School District Strategic Plan: Strategic Plan Goals #1, #2, #3 and #7

- Strategic Plan Goal 1: Each student demonstrates BCSD 21st Century Student Performance Indicators to ensure preparedness for college, career, and citizenship
- Strategic Plan Goal 2: Every student receives a rigorous curriculum that prepares them for college and is supported by challenging, inspiring, and relevant instruction.
- Strategic Plan Goal 3: Our students are prepared for a multicultural and multilingual world.

- Strategic Plan Goal 7: We put into practice state-of-the-art technology that provides students and staff with full working and learning capability.

Topics discussed by Board Members during Special Meeting:

Strategic Plan Goal 3: Our students are prepared for a multicultural and multilingual world.

- Board Member Kathryn Graves: Afterschool language in Elementary schools and year-long languages in the Middle school. Have there been administrative discussions regarding this? Wood River Middle School Principal, Fritz Peters addressed this question.
- Board Member Paul Bates: Rosetta Stone program.
- Board Member Shawn Bennion: Contact with students in other countries. What kind of partnerships are the elementary school kids participating in?

Strategic Plan Goal 2: Every student receives a rigorous curriculum that prepares them for college and is supported by challenging, inspiring, and relevant instruction.

- Board Member Don Nurge: Rigorous Curriculum, Strategy 6 Math acceleration. How does that work at the Middle school? Principal Fritz Peters addressed this question. Challenge each student regardless of their level. Success for students translates to success for teachers.

Strategic Plan Goal 2, Strategy 5: College Level Course offerings specifically referring to dual credit.

- Kathryn Graves: Discuss Elementary team to Level 1 AYP and High School Team to Diploma program. AP classes.
- Kathryn Graves: Encourage kids; that's our job. GATE, Strategy 4 in Rigorous curriculum.

Dr. Barber stated that the next Board Work Session is scheduled November 18th; Terry Basolo of the Idaho Drug Coalition will be presenting.

There being no further business to discuss, Board Member Don Nurge made a motion to adjourn the meeting. The motion was seconded by Paul Bates and passed unanimously.

The Special Meeting of the Board of Trustees of Blaine County School District No. 61 adjourned at 1:35 p.m.