

# **Special Board Meeting**

## **Wednesday November 6, 2013 3:00 PM**

### **Brookings-Harbor School District Office**

Attendance: Jamie Ryan, Katherine Johnson, Sue Chambers, Alice Farmer, Bruce Raleigh, Brian Hodge, Don Sweeney, Dede Corpening, Don Iler

#### **Jamie Ryan called the meeting to order at 3:13pm**

Jamie stated the purpose of the meeting is to approve the contract written for the sale of the Upper Chetco property.

Bruce Raleigh and Sue Chambers had a few questions regarding the contract presented.

#### **Katherine Johnson made a motion to approve the contract on the sale of Upper Chetco School, seconded by Alice Farmer.**

**Discussion:** Bruce Raleigh went through his highlighted areas. The first reference was the attached exhibit A, which was not attached. He also went through the misspelled words and the typos were noted for correction. Bruce Raleigh then asked how the prepayment would work as far as what the extra money would be applied to. Is this going to affect the monthly interest payment? Sue Chambers asked who would be monitoring this to which Don Sweeney; the business manager stated he would. Sue Chambers also commented on the taxes that would need to be paid. She asked about the \$10,000 down and the payments. Don stated it will be sitting in a 411 fund that is earmarked for the remodel of Pacific Bridges. Don explained the 410 fund has money sitting in it, but he is unsure of the possibility of moving that over until the other funds come in. Bruce Chambers asked about the name of a title company and the escrow account. Katherine Johnson asked about who was typing the contract. There was a little discussion about the advertising costs of the sale of the property, as \$1000 was approved by the previous board. Don Sweeney said the district only spent \$150 on advertising. The name Michael Fitzgerald was referenced in the document, to which is Ted's legal first name. Sue Chambers stated she was concerned about the equipment, and possible piles of dirt and rocks from other projects. Sue would like to see that if it falls back to the district, it will be returned in original state. Brian Hodge said the only two things the buyer is planning to do are water and plumbing. Sue Chambers asked what the cost of the attorney is going to be. Don Sweeney said we have only spent approx. \$750. There was then discussion on the interest payments. Alice Farmer said to keep it clean, keep the interest based on \$155,000. Bruce Raleigh didn't feel that would work. Don Sweeney stated that it would take no time at all to figure it out. It is no problem for him. Jamie Ryan said then the only thing left then is the typos and the name of the title company. She said she would call for the vote for the first motion.

Sue Chambers: Nay, Katherine Johnson: Nay, Bruce Raleigh: Nay, Alice Farmer: Nay, Jamie Ryan: Nay

There was a newly stated motion.

**Katherine Johnson made a motion to accept the contract for the sale of Upper Chetco, with the typos corrected and the title company inserted in the closing, seconded by Alice Farmer.**

**Motion Pass Unanimously**

**Comments/Communication**

Brian Hodge said after the audit the district will start planning for the future. Bruce Raleigh said he had been thinking about best practices and self evaluation. He requested audio recordings of the previous board meetings since he has been a part of the board. He also asked about putting the audio on the website. Don Sweeney said he can easily transfer to a usb drive. Sue Chambers stated she would like it as well. As far as the website goes Don said he needs to check on the storage availability to be able to place on the website. Bruce Raleigh then commented on the public comments and not allowing open comments in a public meeting. He feels the board is sending a wrong message to the public by not allowing comments. Brian Hodge asked if the board wanted to open up to special interest groups during special meetings. Jamie Ryan said her feeling is that the regular board meeting is sufficient enough for the public comment. She also said that it is a 5 member board and she will agree to what the majority of the board wants. Alice Farmer stated the same as Jamie and added the special work sessions are for specific business that needs to be handled. Sue Chambers agreed with Bruce Raleigh. She said the topic may be something that the public would like to comment on. Katherine Johnson said she felt the special meetings should allow for public comment as long as they pertain to agenda items only. The entire board agreed to keep the time limited to 5 minutes. There was then discussion about public input in writing that is handed to the board when one makes a comment. Alice Farmer stated that questions should not be asked to the general public, which would open up for conversation. Katherine Jonson asked if there needed to be a motion about the special meetings public comment. Jamie Ryan said it was not necessary. Sue Chambers asked about the 85% graduation rate by 2017. Brian Hodge said this is in reference to the standard diploma only. He felt that the goal is realistic. He said he would like to see 100%, but feels that would not be a realistic goal. (Jamie Ryan had to leave at 4:11) Brian Hodge gave copies of district goals from each of the buildings and special education to the board members. He stated Larry Martindale and Wendy Ross were going to do a presentation at the next board meeting on how the high school plans to get the graduation rate up. He also talked about the adjustments the elementary school will be making with the data Helena Chirinian has been receiving from the workshops she has been attending. Brian Hodge said the common core and curriculum are hot topics right now nationwide.

**Meeting adjourned at 4:21 pm**