

MINUTES OF SPECIAL MEETING/EXECUTIVE SESSION
To Discuss Matters as Allowed by Idaho Code, Section 67-2345 (1) (b)
To Consider the Evaluation, Dismissal or Disciplining of, or to Hear
Complaints or Charges Brought Against a Public School Student
(With Option to Take any Action Pertinent to Student Discipline in Open Session)
Pocatello/Chubbuck School District No. 25
County of Bannock – State of Idaho

Superintendent's Office at the Education Service Center
Wednesday, October 8, 2014
4:30 p.m.

BOARD/SUPERINTENDENT PRESENT:

Janie Gebhardt, Chair, Board of Trustees
Jackie Cranor, Vice Chair, Board of Trustees
Dave Mattson, Clerk, Board of Trustees (Excused)
Jim Facer, Member, Board of Trustees
Paul Vitale, Member, Board of Trustees
Mary M. Vagner, Superintendent

Call to Order/Executive Session – Student Discipline:

Chair Gebhardt called the meeting to order at 4:34 p.m. A motion was made by Mr. Vitale and seconded by Mr. Facer to adjourn to Executive Session. The roll call vote was unanimous in the affirmative: Mr. Facer, aye; Mr. Vitale, aye; Ms. Cranor, aye; Ms. Gebhardt, aye. The Board adjourned to Executive Session at 4:35 p.m.

Purpose: To discuss student discipline.

The Board proceeded to discuss student discipline as provided in Idaho Code, Section 67-2345 (1) (b) *to consider the evaluation, dismissal or disciplining of, or to hear complaints or charges brought against a public school student;*

OTHERS PRESENT:

Student Docket No. 15-01

Student Docket No. 15-01 Mother
Kent Hobbs, Director of Student Support Services
Lisa Delonas, Principal, Pocatello High School
Orlando Cardenas, SRO, New Horizon Center
Forrest Peck, SRO, Pocatello High School
Stace Gearhart, Probation Officer, Juvenile Justice
Rena Johnson, Board Secretary
Amy White, Legal Counsel (by phone)

Return to Open Session:

The Board returned to Open Session at 5:06 p.m. A motion was made by Ms. Cranor and seconded by Mr. Facer that the Board expel **Student Docket No. 15-01** from attendance at the Pocatello/Chubbuck School District No. 25 from today's date through the end of the second trimester of the 2014-2015 school year.

Such motion is based upon the judgment of the Board of Trustees that **Student Docket No. 15-01** has:

1. Engaged in conduct in violation of the District's Student Discipline Policy relating to the possession of a weapon on school property.
2. Engaged in conduct, which in the judgment of the Board, is detrimental to the health, welfare and safety of other pupils.

However, pursuant to the statutory discretion provided to the Board relating to the discipline of students and with consideration of the input of the District's Administration, this expulsion shall be held in

abeyance and not put into place contingent upon **Student Docket No. 15-01** meeting the following conditions:

1. The student and the parents of the student shall meet with the school's administrative team to review the April, 2014 contract and potentially amend such regarding outlining behavioral and educational expectations of the student. The final terms and provision of such agreement shall be at the sole discretion of the school's administration. However, the Board requests that the following issues be included:
 - a. Closed campus until lifted by the Administration based on compliance.
 - b. Grade expectations of a "C" or better
 - c. Attendance and behavior expectations
 - d. A mechanism to flag the student with regard to grades and credits to assure that the student is not getting behind in credits and if problems with credits do occur, the administration will look at alternative placement options.
 - e. An individual will be designated as a person for the student to seek out for issues at the school including, but not limited to bullying, harassment or school place safety.
 - f. Appropriate clothing expectations while at school.
2. The parents of the student shall enter into appropriate releases to allow the District to obtain information and documentation from any health care provider, counseling provider, court or probation department that relates solely to enhancing the provision of educational services provided to the student.

Should **Student Docket No. 15-01** engage in any other infraction of District or School Discipline Policies, or fail to fulfill the reasonable terms and conditions established by the Board for continued enrollment, the student shall be brought back before the Board of Trustees for consideration of implementation of the expulsion held in abeyance or as separately determined. The voting was unanimous in the affirmative. The Board recessed at 5:10 p.m.

Return to Executive Session – Student Discipline:

Following the recess, a motion was made by Ms. Cranor and seconded by Mr. Vitale to reconvene to Executive Session at 5:17 p.m. The roll call vote was unanimous in the affirmative: Mr. Facer, aye; Mr. Vitale, aye; Ms. Cranor, aye; Ms. Gebhardt, aye.

OTHERS PRESENT:

Student Docket No. 15-02

Student Docket No. 15-02 Father

Student Docket No. 15-02 Mother

Student Docket No. 15-02 Grandparents

Kent Hobbs, Director of Student Support Services

Lisa Delonas, Principal, Pocatello High School

Orlando Cardenas, SRO, New Horizon Center

Forrest Peck, SRO, Pocatello High School

Rena Johnson, Board Secretary

Amy White, Legal Counsel (by phone)

Return to Open Session:

The Board returned to Open Session at 6:09 p.m. A motion was made by Mr. Vitale and seconded by Ms. Cranor that the Board expel **Student Docket No. 15-02** from attendance at the Pocatello/Chubbuck School District No. 25 from today's date through the end of the second trimester of the 2014-2015 school year.

Such motion is based upon the judgment of the Board of Trustees that **Student Docket No. 15-02** has:

1. Engaged in conduct in violation of the District's Student Discipline Policy relating to the possession, and distribution of drugs.
2. Engaged in conduct, which in the judgment of the Board, is detrimental to the health, welfare and safety of other pupils.

However, pursuant to the statutory discretion provided to the Board relating to the discipline of students and with consideration of the input of the District's administration, this expulsion shall be held in abeyance and not put into place contingent upon **Student Docket No. 15-02** meeting the following conditions:

1. The student shall remain at the New Horizon Center in the Crossroads program and is required to participate in Interact, if available, or another after school program through the end of the 1st trimester and thereafter to be placed at Pocatello High School starting with the 2nd trimester on a Contract. The Administration has discretion to consider a blend between traditional courses and Crossroads courses to meet the student's needs and/or consideration of an earlier transition to Pocatello High School should the administration deem such to be appropriate.
2. The student and the parents of the student shall meet with the school's administrative team to establish a Contract outlining behavioral and educational expectations of the student. This Contract shall remain in place, at minimum, through the entirety of the 2014-2015 school year. The terms and provisions of such Contract shall be at the sole discretion of the school's administration. However, the Board requests that the following issues be included in this plan:
 - a. Closed campus for at least the first two trimesters of the 2014-2015 school year, regardless of placement location, allowing discretion to the administration for the third trimester.
 - b. Required to participate in IDFY and a second school-related activity which may include athletics.
 - c. 15 hours of community service, to be completed and documented by the end of the second trimester, separate and apart from any court-ordered community service.
 - d. Consideration for participation in The More You Know Programs.
 - e. Attendance and behavior expectations
 - f. Allowance for athletic participation if otherwise qualified.
 - g. Any UA results relating to the student shall be provided to the District, at no cost to the District
 - h. Student shall be subject to random searches
3. The parents of the student shall enter into appropriate releases to allow the District to obtain information and documentation from any health care provider, counseling provider, court or probation department that relates solely to enhancing the provision of educational services provided to the student.

Should **Student Docket No. 15-02** engage in any other infraction of District or School Discipline Policies, or fail to fulfill the reasonable terms and conditions established by the Board for continued enrollment, the student shall be brought back before the Board of Trustees for consideration of implementation of the expulsion held in abeyance or as separately determined. The voting was unanimous in the affirmative. The Board recessed at 6:13 p.m.

Return to Executive Session – Student Discipline:

Following the recess, a motion was made by Mr. Vitale and seconded by Mr. Facer to reconvene to Executive Session at 6:16 p.m. The roll call vote was unanimous in the affirmative: Mr. Facer, aye; Mr. Vitale, aye; Ms. Cranor, aye; Ms. Gebhardt, aye.

OTHERS PRESENT:

Student Docket No. 15-03

Student Docket No. 15-03 Mother

Kent Hobbs, Director of Student Support Services

Lisa Delonas, Principal, Pocatello High School

Orlando Cardenas, SRO, New Horizon Center

Forrest Peck, SRO, Pocatello High School

Renae Johnson, Board Secretary

Amy White, Legal Counsel (by phone)

Return to Open Session:

The Board returned to Open Session at 6:58 p.m. A motion was made by Mr. Facer and seconded by Mr. Vitale that the Board expel **Student Docket No. 15-03** from attendance at the Pocatello/Chubbuck School District No. 25 from today's date through the end of the second trimester of the 2014-2015 school year.

Such motion is based upon the judgment of the Board of Trustees that **Student Docket No. 15-03** has:

1. Engaged in conduct in violation of the District's Student Discipline Policy relating to the possession, and consumption of drugs at school.
2. Engaged in conduct, which in the judgment of the Board, is detrimental to the health, welfare and safety of other pupils.

However, pursuant to the statutory discretion provided to the Board relating to the discipline of students and with consideration of the input of the District's administration, this expulsion shall be held in abeyance and not put into place contingent upon **Student Docket No. 15-03** meeting the following conditions:

1. The student shall remain at the New Horizon Center in Crossroad program and is required to participate in Interact, if available, through the end of the 1st trimester and thereafter to be placed at Pocatello High School starting with the 2nd trimester on a Contract. The administration has discretion to consider a blend between traditional courses and Crossroads courses to meet the student's needs and/or consideration of an earlier transition to Pocatello High School should the administration deem such to be appropriate.
2. The student and the parents of the student shall meet with the school's administrative team to establish a Contract outlining behavioral and educational expectations of the student. This Contract shall remain in place, at minimum, through the entirety of the 2014-2015 school year. The terms and provision of such Contract shall be at the sole discretion of the school's administration. However, the Board requests that the following issues be included in this plan:
 - a. Closed campus for at least the first two trimesters of the 2014-2015 school year, regardless of placement location, allowing discretion to the Administration for the third trimester.
 - b. Required to participate in Idaho Drug Free Youth (IDFY) and a second school-related activity which may include athletics.
 - c. 15 hours of community service, to be completed and documented by the end of the second trimester, separate and apart from any court-ordered community service.
 - d. Attendance and behavior expectations
 - e. Allowance for athletic participation if otherwise qualified.
 - f. Any UA results relating to the student be provided to the District, at no cost to the District
 - g. Student shall be subject to random searches
 - h. Facilitation of documentation and work between Pocatello High School and the Crossroads program.
 - i. Compliance with dress code provisions.
3. The parents of the student shall enter into appropriate releases to allow the District to obtain information and documentation from any health care provider, counseling provider, court or probation department that relates solely to enhancing the provision of educational services provided to the student.

Should **Student Docket No. 15-03** engage in any other infraction of District or School Discipline Policies, or fail to fulfill the reasonable terms and conditions established by the Board for continued enrollment, the student shall be brought back before the Board of Trustees for consideration of implementation of the expulsion held in abeyance or as separately determined. The voting was unanimous in the affirmative. The Board recessed at 7:03 p.m.

Return to Executive Session – Student Discipline:

Following the recess, a motion was made by Ms. Cranor and seconded by Mr. Vitale to reconvene to Executive Session at 7:05 p.m. The roll call vote was unanimous in the affirmative: Mr. Facer, aye; Mr. Vitale, aye; Ms. Cranor, aye; Ms. Gebhardt, aye.

OTHERS PRESENT:

Student Docket No. 15-04 (*Not Present*)

Student Docket No. 15-05 (*Not Present*)

Kent Hobbs, Director of Student Support Services

Rena Johnson, Board Secretary

Amy White, Legal Counsel (by phone)

Return to Open Session:

The Board returned to Open Session at 7:13 p.m. No action was taken by the Board at the time of the meeting.

Adjourn:

A motion was made by Mr. Facer and seconded by Mr. Vitale to adjourn. The voting was unanimous in the affirmative. The Board adjourned at 7:13 p.m.

APPROVED ON:

Janice A Gebhardt
By: 18 November 2014

Chair

MINUTES PREPARED BY:

Ruth J.
Secretary, Board of Trustees

ATTESTED BY:

[Signature]
Clerk