

COTTONWOOD JT. SCHOOL BOARD MINUTES
REGULAR MEETING
NOVEMBER 28, 2024


Members Present: Aaron Hinkelman, Gus Hoene, Tara Klapprich, Keith Holcomb & Casey Forsmann

Administration Present: Jon Rehder, Matt Elven and Denise Uhlenkott, Clerk

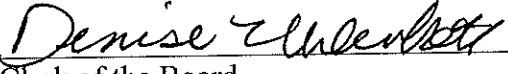
Others Present: Greg Wherry

1. **Call to order:** The regular meeting was called to order by Chairman Aaron at 7:00 p.m. in the board room in the Auxiliary Gym.
2. **The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.**
3. **Approval of Consent Agenda:** *Keith moved to approve the consent agenda, seconded by Casey, motion carried unanimously.*
4. **Public Input:** There was no public input.
5. **Action Items:**
 - **Policies – 5th Reading:** *After discussion Gus moved to approve the policies in this section, seconded by Tara, motion carried unanimously.*
 - **Student Overnight and out of State Travel:** *Tara moved to approve the changes made to the procedure, seconded by Gus, motion carried unanimously.*
 - **Policy 3265 Student Owned Electronic Communications Devices:** *Gus moved to approve the updates to this policy seconded by Keith, motion carried unanimously.*
 - **Re-Start of Wrestling Program:** Matt explained that over the years wrestling has started to get more interest again. There are currently enough students to re-start this program. Jeff North has been very active in getting interest in wrestling. The coach salary has continued to be in the budget. *Casey moved to start the wrestling program again based on the interest and approve Jeff North at the coach, seconded by Tara, motion carried unanimously.*
6. **Reports:**
 - **ISBA Convention Discussion:** The board members shared the workshops they attended at the convention. This was a first time in many years that all 5 board members attended the convention. They all agreed that it was a great experience. Workshops discussed were, mental health, student cell phones, effective and efficient board meetings, importance of goals for schools, student achievement, on-boarding trustees, building a community, measuring progress of student, governance of the school board, school budgets and finance and the voucher system issues in Arizona.
 - **Jr Sr High:** Matt went through his report and the PSAT testing results.
 - **Elem/Supt/Facilities:** Jon went through his report and added the bus accident coming home from Eagle with the cross-country team. Jon also explained the plans for the window project next summer and the ag shop roof and heat for the ag classroom. Jon discussed the thermostat upgrades for the high schools as well.
 - **Policy Updates (1st Reading):** The policies were briefly discussed. Jon made comments on several of the policies for the board.
7. **Future Agenda Items:** 2nd reading on Policies.

8. **Executive Session – Idaho Code 74-205(1)(b) – Student Discipline:** The board was polled as follows regarding entering into executive session – Casey – yes, Keith – yes, Gus – yes and Aaron – yes. The board, Jon and Denise were present. The board moved into Executive Session at 8:05 p.m.
9. **Reconvene:** The board moved out of Executive Session at 8:22 p.m.
10. **Adjourn:** Aaron adjourned the meeting at 8:23 p.m.



Chairman of the Board



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