



**SWEETWATER COUNTY
SCHOOL DISTRICT #1**

Consent Agenda Item 16-b

Approval of the minutes from the March 11, 2019 Public Meeting on the in-town schools and Desert School Alternate Schedule

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MEMBERS PRESENT: Lenny Hay, Max Mickelson, Stephanie Thompson, Carol Jelaco, John Bettolo, George Reedy and Matthew Jackman

ALSO PRESENT: Kelly McGovern, Stephanie Tolman, Scot Duncan, Nicole Bolton, Kayci Arnoldi, Wanda Maloney, Barbara Rezzonico, Joe Clingenpeel, Shannon Garrison, Tiffany Gunter, Zach Gunyan and Tonette West. Also in attendance were staff members, students, constituents of the District and members of the media.

CALL MEETING TO ORDER – Mrs. Carol Jelaco, Chairman of the Board, called The Public Meeting on the 2019-2020/2020-2021 Alternate Schedule for all in-town schools and Desert School (Wamsutter) to order at 5:30 p.m.

Nicole Bolton gave a review and explanation of the process for the four-day week proposed calendars.

COMMUNICATIONS AND CORRESPONDENCE

1. Mr. Bettolo asked the District to start gathering data to show support either one way or the other. He asked the administration to show support either one way or the other and to no longer remain neutral on this subject. He also would like the administration to review the situation for possible issues, etc. that may arise if the four-day week is put into place.
2. Nicole Bolton noted that research is very limited and difficult to find. She will visit with more community members and get back to the Board.
3. Mrs. Thompson stated that she already has concerned parents contacting her regarding the long school days and the effects it will have on students that are medicated for disorders such as ADHD.
4. Mark Chollak, Sweetwater Education Association President clarified his question surrounding the survey results and the collection of email address, in order to break down the calendar voting results. He did not want to collect any self-identifying data and prefers a secret ballot. He thanked Nicole for breaking down the votes by building.
5. Discussion was held and numerous individuals address the Board regarding the proposed 4-day week calendar and the impact it will have on the staff, students, parents, businesses and members of the community.
6. Mark Chollak, SEA President informed the Board that the SEA does not have an official stance on the four-day calendar. There is no clear consensus as of right now.
7. Joe Clingenpeel clarified that the Transportation Department does not dictate the District's schedule. He encouraged individuals to contact him with any concerns they may have. He is willing to listen to any suggestions or provide any explanations that may be required.

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There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 7:29 p.m.

Chairman

Clerk