



**SWEETWATER COUNTY  
SCHOOL DISTRICT #1**

## Consent Agenda Item 10-n

Approval of the minutes from the February 14, 2018 Special Board Meeting

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**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Lenny Hay, Paul Kauchich, Stephanie Thompson, Emma Waldner, Max Mickelson, Neil Kourbelas and Carol Jelaco

**ALSO PRESENT:** Kelly McGovern, Rock Springs Junior High School staff members and community members

**CALL MEETING TO ORDER** – Mr. Lenny Hay, Chairman of the Board called the meeting to order at 3:00 p.m.

**PUBLIC COMMENT** – Public comment was opened and discussion was held regarding the Strategic Plan for the District. Discussion from the floor included the following topics:

- Tina Johnson thanked the staff for their hard work
- Meeting staff needs with the new schedule in tested areas
- Teachers, administrators and central administration staff are helpful
- Physical education collaboration time provided
- Electives for students and new classes are appreciated
- District is prepared to file lawsuit for additional funding cuts
- Fabulous school resource officer to help with discipline concern, however, this dominates the office for administrators
- Staff is wonderful for the good of students and can go through hard times to unite people
- Administrators and teachers are stretched too thin
- Loss of ISS is forcing out of school suspensions to increase
- Loss of administrator time to mentor teachers
- Streamlining of materials and ordering process
- Train teachers so they have a teacher leadership program
- Contact legislators about their story
- Purchase orderings is too lengthy of a process – foods teachers want flexibility and a quicker process to purchase food while it's on sale – possibility of a blanket purchase order
- Purchasing supplies in bulk to save dollars for trades classes
- Concerns over class size
- Would like a half administrator added back to the school
- Would like a level of appreciation more than money – do not like \$5 Fridays - would like to have free jean day one a month
- Special education teachers are overworked
- Writing an IEP is labor intensive and time consuming
- EL students need help and are falling to the way side with Spring Board – ideas are base level training for incoming students
- Need for more translators not only for students but their parents as well
- Communication is an “us against you” mentality for everyone – how do we bridge this
- Invite people to come in and see day-to-day in a public school
- Feel the special education gap of students coming forward – what should they focus on

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- Administrators are not accessible for guidance and direction due to budget cuts
- Terminating the extended program after school was a bad decision
- Would like a later start time for junior high
- 4-day school week would not work for junior high students
- IDEA law must be followed however, doing so may affect other students and their rights

The discussion topics were noted by the Board Members present, for input in the preparation of a Strategic Plan by the District.

There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 4:03 p.m.

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Chairman

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Clerk