MEETING MINUTES

ATTENDEES:
Board: Jeff Smith, Amanda Clark, Jay Wilkins, Nicki Gregg, Stephen King
Superintendent: Curtiss Scholl
Administrators: Becky Stoughton and Mark Stewart
Supervisors: Sherry Joseph, Ryan Stock, Todd Pilch

CALL TO ORDER / FLAG SALUTE
Jeff Smith called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m. and led the flag salute.

ADDITIONS, DELETION, AMENDMENTS TO THE AGENDA/ADOPTION OF AGENDA
No revisions.

Jay Wilkins moved and Jeff Smith seconded the Board approve the January 10, 2018 agenda with the noted revisions. Vote was unanimous in favor, motion passed 5-0.

COMMUNITY COMMENTS
No comments.

BEND INVENTI-PRIZE WINNER
Rameen Vadhat, 4th grader at SES, was the Bend Research Inventerprise winner. This is a science project contest that is sponsored by Bend Research. He designed a suit that would help the body withstand extreme cold temperatures at remote places such as Antarctica. He was also awarded the Sisters Elementary School Cool Scientist Award.

BUSINESS/FINANCE ~ Sherry Joseph ~ Tab H
Sherry presented the board with the General Fund Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Ending Fund Balance. She informed the board that it is becoming hard to keep open balances on the district credit cards as many purchases are being made throughout the district, especially online. She requested that the board increase the collective credit limit for all the cards to $35,000.

Jay Wilkins moved and Amanda Clark seconded that the board approve to raise the district credit cards limits collectively to $35,000. Vote was unanimous in favor; motion passed 5-0.

SUPERINTENDENT REPORT
Enrollment Report ~
Curt informed the board that district enrollment has increased by 18 students since the Christmas Break.
Bond Update ~

Good progress was made over the holiday break. The entry at SHS continues to be a work in progress. District is finalizing final plans for the middle school remodel. Curt suggested that the board and the bond oversight facility committee conduct another facilities walkthrough and invite the community to participate. Curt is planning a February 5th work session with Jerry Colona to begin working on the mission/vision and strategic planning for the district. Curt will be reaching out to community members to participate in this project. He has asked the board to share names of community members they feel would be good representatives to work on this committee. John Pierson, Incident Commander of Incident Management Team 2, had previously presented Curt with a certificate of recognition expressing their gratitude and appreciation to Sisters High School for their support and assistance during the Milli fire summer of 2017. Curt will present the certificate to Joe Hosang. Curt has been meeting with Sisters community agency leaders. The leaders are looking at possible roundabout ideas that the city plans to build in the future. Sisters School District was gifted a flight simulator for the flight science program. It will be housed at the Outlaw Aviation hanger.

ADMINISTRATORS REPORTS

SHS ~ Joe Hosang

Joe Hosang was not able to attend. Curt reported for Joe. Sisters High School is gearing up for finals next week as well as creating schedules for next semester.

SMS ~ Tara Reis

Tara Reis was not able to attend. Curt was in the building on Monday and students were excited to be back at school after the winter break. SMS staff has really stepped up and helped during Principal Reis’ absence due to sickness. Next week the entire middle school will be attending the Golden Dragon’s Acrobats at the Tower Theater in Bend. Sisters Folk Festival is paying for all students to attend this presentation.

SES ~ Becky Stoughton

Becky acknowledged Rameen Vahdat and congratulated him on his great award. SES Sock Drive raised over 600+ pairs of socks to donate to FAN. SES is excited to get back into the swing of things after the long break.

Jay Wilkins pointed out that the SMS 5th graders scored in the 98% of the 2017 state science testing.

SEO/Transitions ~ Mark Stewart

Mark thanked the board for their work and hours serving on the school board. Suzie Werts, along with Kellen Werts and Jaxon Wetherall, presented their class project on bats. The students have studied about bats and their critical role in pollination. The students have also created seven bat houses that will be donated to the United States Forest Service and will be placed along waterways. Mark commended Suzie on her creativity for getting students to take interest in reading and improving their literacy.

BOARD BUSINESS

Organizational Committee Reports –
Sisters School Foundation is funding the Chess Club at a chess tournament in Redmond. Stephen and Curt continue to work with Sisters Park and Recreation to complete the lease agreement between them and the district.

Local Option –
Jeff announced that the board must make a formal motion to move forward with the local option campaign. Jay posed the question about how the board can participate in the Local Option campaign. Curt did remind the board that they cannot violate public meeting laws and to be mindful of that. However, the board can encourage people to simply vote and inform them about Local Option.

Jay Wilkins moved and Amanda Clark seconded the board approve and endorse an election campaign for the renewal of Local Option. Vote was unanimous in favor, motion passed 5-0.

Budget Committee Position -
Nicki Gregg’s election to the school board last May created a vacancy on the district’s budget committee. Regan Roberts’ term has also expired so that will create another vacancy on the budget committee. Curt suggested that the board use the same process they have in the past to appoint someone to the budget committee. The board would like to have the advertisement posted then hold interviews in either February or March.

Curt will coordinate what board members will serve on the different committees; Local Option PAC, Bond Oversight Facility Committee, and the Mission/Vision Committee.

CONSENT AGENDA:
- December 13, 2017 Regular Board Meeting Minutes
- December 20, 2017 Board Work Session Meeting Minutes

Amanda Clark moved and Jay Wilkins seconded the Board approve the above Consent Agenda with revisions as noted. Vote was unanimous in favor, motion carried 4-0. Stephen King abstained due to his absence at the December meeting.

ANNOUNCEMENTS
Date    Event                    Time    Location
02/10/2018 Regular School Board 5:00pm    DO

ADJOURNMENT
The meeting was adjourned at 6:15 p.m.

Jeff Smith, Chair                      Melanie Petterson, Board Secretary