

**Bliss School District #234  
Minutes of Annual Meeting  
December 11, 2023**

**Time:** 7:03 P.M.

**Roll Call:** Cindy Elliott, David Jentsch, Lauresa Schoessler

**Absent:** C.J. Palmer

**Agenda: Motion** (Elliott/Jentsch) **Carried** to approve the agenda with the addition of discussing the usage of the gym for recreation leagues and the usage of the school grounds for an all-school reunion.

**Minutes: Motion** (Jentsch/Elliott) **Carried** to approve the minutes of November 13, 2023, as presented.

**Others Present:** Matt Valadao, Superintendent; Michele Elliott, Clerk; Leslie Allen-Hickam, Clerk.

**Visitors:** Landon Nistler

**Bills and Payroll: Motion** (Elliott/Jentsch) **Carried** to pay the bills and payroll.

**Student Body Accounts- Clean up and procedures – Motion** (Elliott/Jentsch) **Carried** to clean up the student body accounts as presented.

**Trustee Zone #1 Vacancy – Landon Nistler**, is a potential applicant for Trustee Zone #1.

**New Business:**

**Christmas Staff Party – Discussion only – Staff party from 11:30 A.M. to 12:30 P.M. on Thursday, December 14th.**

**First Reading – Policy 5006.6 Sick Leave – First reading, discussion only.**

**First Reading – Policy 2425 Parental Rights – First reading, discussion only.**

**Policy 3010 Open Enrollment – Discussion only.**

**All-School Class Reunion – The Board granted permission for a previous graduate to organize an all-school class reunion for June 29<sup>th</sup>, 2024. They may use the soccer field to set up tents and the school building will be available for Alumni to tour.**

**Recreation Teams for Younger Youth – Board consensus to allow youth sports programs to use the school facilities at the administration's discretion, as long as they do not interfere with school activities.**

**Superintendent Report:**

**Labor on District Office – Work is complete on the district office.**

**Wilder School Visit – Mr. Valadao informed the board that a team will be going to Wilder to see the program they are using to engage their students and get the students involved in their learning.**

**Student Survey Results on Ag Interest – A survey was given to the students to gauge their interest in future agriculture classes. The results showed that approximately 30% of the current students would be interested in agriculture classes, but none listed any agriculture-related classes they are interested in taking. Discussed the option of co-oping with other schools to join their FFA program.**

**EXECUTIVE SESSION: 7:57 p.m.**

Chairperson Lauresa Schoessler called for a motion to allow the Board to recess into executive session to discuss personnel and student matters. At 7:57 p.m. after a complete discussion and upon motion duly made by Cindy Elliott and seconded by David Jentsch the following resolution was presented:

“BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Trustees of Bliss School District No. 234 called an executive session in the manner and for the purpose authorized by Section 74-206, Idaho Code, to discuss personnel and student matters, as outlined in Section 74-206 (1) (a) and (d), Idaho Code.”

“BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that following the executive session, the Board of Trustees will reconvene into public session for further business or adjournment of the meeting.” Vote being had on the above and foregoing resolution, and the same having been counted and found to be follows:

	<u>YES</u>	<u>NO</u>
Lauresa Schoessler	x	
Cindy Elliott	x	
David Jentsch	x	

And no less than two-thirds of the membership in favor thereof, the Chairman declared the resolution adopted. Others present: Matt Valadao, Superintendent; Leslie Allen-Hickam, Clerk; Michele Elliott, Clerk.

The Board then entered into discussion and deliberation on the matter for which the executive session was held, there being no further business on the subject matter of the executive session, at 8:02 p.m., David Jentsch made a motion to reconvene into an open session. Cindy Elliott seconded the motion, and the motion passed.

**Action Item:**

Hiring- **Motion** (Jentsch/Elliott) **Carried** hire A. Hendricks as a Para-Professional for the 2023-2024 school year.

**Adjournment: Motion** (Jentsch/Elliott) **Carried** to adjourn at 8:03 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Approved,

Leslie Allen-Hickam  
Clerk of Board

Lauresa Schoessler  
Chairperson