

**THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 16, COUNTY OF HARNEY,
MET AT FRENCHGLEN SCHOOL IN SAID DISTRICT, ON THE 13th day of May, 2025
at 6:00 P.M.**

Board Present: Corbin Hammond, Nevada Miller, Rene Villagrana, Debbie Webb and Mary Murphy.

Others Present: Earlyna Hammond, Clerk, Carolyn Whitney, teacher.

The meeting was called to order at 5:50 P.M.

Addition to Agenda: key lock box. Mary motioned to approve the Agenda as amended and Rene seconded. AIF.

Mary motioned to approve the April minutes as presented and Debbie seconded. AIF.

VISITORS

There were no visitors.

PENDING/PAID BILLS

Carolyn submitted receipts for reimbursement in the amount of \$126.47. This was added and after review and discussion, Debbie motioned to approve the bills and Corbin seconded. AIF.

CUSTODIAN REPORT/YARD MAINTENANCE

Carolyn reported that the weed eater is done and Zach will bring it back from Bend. Clint will have his yard invoice at the next meeting.

The Janitor is not coming this week because the kids are at Diamond for theatre practice. Carolyn would like to get some top soil for the school yard.

INTERNAL CONTROL

Rene opened two bank statements and performed Internal Control. Checks were signed.

POLICY UPDATES

Tabled.

TECHNOLOGY UPDATE

Carolyn stated that the district ended up having to go with the Cloud program for the library.

TEACHER REPORT

ODE visited a few small schools recently. All of the SELCO grant has been spent. Carolyn did not go to Chicago due to family health issues, Sheri's dad passing etc.

Carolyn reached out to ESD inquiring about rural subs. There are only three that will come to the schools. The ESD will let subs know that they are paid mileage each day.

The board discussed the need to get a lock box for school keys and agreed to place it in the pumphouse- Carolyn will do this and give the code to the board.

Carolyn said that a company from Ontario can come on the 30th and look at the locks in the school and give an estimate. This is paid for with SIA grant money- the company can have it done by the end of the biennium.

Joe Baker said that exit lights for tracking would be about \$1800-this is also SIA dollars.

Corbin asked if the lock box could solve the emergency health issue (there was a need for the defibulator last year and the school was locked)? Yes it will!!

Sheri and Carolyn attended Lyn Seres training and will also attend this Friday in-service.

The students are going to Diamond this week for the theatre- the performance will be Friday -potluck at 6 and play will start at 7.

The end of year party will be a breakfast this year. Flyers went out.

Defensible space topic is tabled.

Carolyn said that McKinney Vento and Foster Care reports are still being worked on. The district needs to update new policy with the edit of school board instead of superintendent. The AR goes with it. Debbie motioned to approve policy JECBD/AR and Rene seconded. AIF.

Carolyn stated that she has been recommended for a national rural teacher of the year award- congratulations!

The school needs a new phone.

SAFETY COMMITTEE/PEST MANAGEMENT

New fence poles out there- Thank you Rene!! Maybe another one for gravel area by the pumphouse?

There is a gutter guard on the ground. Some of the other pieces need to get fixed.

There's one fire extinguisher that might need replaced.

NEW BUSINESS

ODE is giving a SPED stipend for employees who work with SPED students- Carolyn and Sheri will each get one. Nevada signed this agreement. Carolyn stated that she was recently notified that due to student performance, Frenchglen qualified for a Summer School Grant for approximately \$20,000 – since SIA will pay for summer learning, and she didn't have time to meet the deadline, or could spend that amount of money, she will not be applying.

Earlyna stated that there might be a possibility of a new auditor next year- an off shoot office of Oster's CPAs in John Day. They will let her know in December.

June's meeting will be held on the 10th and will include the public budget hearing.

OLD BUSINESS

State land update: Corbin said that it was pulled from April's meeting Agenda at the last minute- Matt Grippy is now the new point of contact. He said that he could use more letters of support- Mark Owens wrote a nice letter. Corbin will write a support letter and get the community secretary to sign. He will also talk to Rob Frank for a letter of recommendation from the county court. The state will tentatively address this again in August.

Nevada said that Harney Electric has a grant that schools can apply for and Michelle Miller suggested applying for the bathrooms at the corrals.

ACORN update: still no information from the student so the board agreed there will be no payment for Winter term, and no future payments unless the student starts sending info after each quarter- the board will not donate retroactively.

Nevada said that Hayden is still going to work on the metal sign and it should be ready ASAP.

Trees discussion: Doug Stott has lots of info- Carolyn will contact him. Tabled.

School Fence: Rene stated that he doesn't have time. The chain link fence needs repairs as well. Carolyn will submit the fencing request to SIA for safety issues.

The meeting adjourned at 6:35.

Respectfully Submitted,
Earlyna Hammond, Clerk