

**Snake River School Board of Trustees  
Held at the Snake River District Office  
103 South 900 West, Blackfoot, Idaho 83221  
Thursday, March 26, 2020**

**1. WELCOME AND ROLL CALL**

Chairman Kent Miller called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m. Board members present via telecommunication were Chairman Kent Miller, Marci VanOrden, Carol Hepworth, Lon Harrington and Kent Miller. Also attending was Superintendent David Kerns and Board Clerk Terisa Coombs.

**2. APPROVAL OF AGENDA (ACTION ITEM)**

**A motion was made by Bill Martin and seconded by Carol Hepworth to approve the agenda as presented. All board members present voted aye. Motion passed 5-0.**

**3. ZOOM TRIAL MEETING AND SUPERINTENDENT UPDATE**

The purpose of this board meeting was to have a trial Zoom meeting and to work out the problems that may arise. During this trial, Superintendent Kerns discussed the District's plan that will be in effect until further direction is received. The items are as follows:

- The State Board ordered a "soft closure" Monday for all school districts Monday that will extend our closure through April 19<sup>th</sup>.
- During the closure, we are directed to provide the following essential services:
  1. Provide food services to underserved populations and childcare for community members who provide critical services.
  2. Develop and implement plans for delivering remote or distance learning strategies (online, video or teleconference).
  3. Develop a plan for providing special education-related services.
- Principals have sent out guidelines to their staff members delineating their responsibilities during the closure.
- The Governor's "Stay at Home" order yesterday identifies educational institutions as essential services, so the three directives are still in place.
- Our Food Service Director and her staff have stepped up to the plate and are serving hundreds of meals each day the children who live in our District, regardless of their enrollment status. A few monetary donations have been offered to help pay for meals and are very much appreciated.
- Transportation has also helped in the effort and drivers are willing to make deliveries when requested.
- All athletic facilities are closed and a moratorium has been placed on all activities, including Spring sports and the musical scheduled for this week.
- If students or parents need services, they can come into facilities by appointment. This now includes the District Office as well.
- The Governor has temporarily suspended provisions in the Open Meeting Law that pertain to and now allow holding meetings remotely, as in this trial.
- We will need to begin discussion of graduation services and what that will look like in June. The Board is in charge, as always, but this year might look quite different than previous graduation ceremonies.

**4. ADJOURN**

**A motion to adjourn was made by Bill Martin and seconded by Lon Harrington.**

The meeting was adjourned at 6:10 p.m.

**ATTEST:**

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**Terisa Coombs**  
Clerk

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**Terisa Coombs**  
Chairman

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**April 15, 2020**  
Date