

SPECIAL BOARD MEETING  
MARCH 14, 2006  
DISTRICT ADMINISTRATION OFFICE

TRUSTEES PRESENT: Chairman Alexander, Jo Gridley, Tom Rodney, Toni Reynolds

TRUSTEE EXCUSED: Luise House

OTHERS PRESENT: Tim McMurtrey, Doug Johnson, Cliff Ogborn, Sharon Whitman, Barry Cahill, Jeff Johnson, James Gilbert, Paul Shrum, Sandie Jett, Karen Kohring, Jose Lopez

A special meeting of the Board of Trustees of Mountain Home School District No. 193 was convened at 7:33 p.m. on March 14, 2006, at the District Administration Office, 470 North 3<sup>rd</sup> East, Mountain Home, Idaho, in said district, pursuant to authority provided by Title 33-510, and Title 67-2340 through 67-2347, Idaho Code, and pursuant to affirmation by the Clerk that notice of the special meeting had been given to each trustee and had been announced by written and posted public notice as required by law. A copy of the Notice of a Special Meeting of School Trustees so posted follows:

**NOTICE OF SPECIAL MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES**

**MOUNTAIN HOME SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 193  
Mountain Home, Elmore County, Idaho**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that a special meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Mountain Home School District No. 193 will be held on Tuesday, March 14, 2006, at 7:30 p.m., at the District Administration Office, 470 North 3<sup>rd</sup> East, Mountain Home, Idaho, in said District, during which the following business will be conducted:

- I. High School Reform Work Session
- II. Adjourn

This Special Meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Mountain Home School District No. 193 is called pursuant to Title 33 and Chapter 23, Title 67-2343(2), Idaho Code.

Dated the 13<sup>th</sup> day of March 2006.

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Sharon M. Whitman  
Clerk, School District No. 193  
Mountain Home, Elmore, Idaho

At 7:33 p.m., Chairman Alexander convened the special meeting of the Board of Trustees to discuss high school reform and reorganization for future school years.

- I. **HIGH SCHOOL REFORM WORK SESSION** – Mr. McMurtrey requested the Board's direction and vision on how to proceed for future plans of district reorganization regarding implementing a 9<sup>th</sup> through 12<sup>th</sup> grade building. He reported that the curriculum aligns itself once the 9<sup>th</sup> graders are out of the junior high and into the high school, but scheduling becomes a problem because of the limited amount of room at the high school and staffing problems. Mr. McMurtrey presented the pros and cons that the high school and junior high staff members identified concerning the curriculum, schedules, and realignment of the junior

high and high school. He asked the Board for their opinion on whether this is the vision the Board wants the District to proceed with, taking into consideration the cost and feasibility of this plan. Mr. McMurtrey mentioned that the SDE wants any reorganization plans for next school year submitted to them by April 1, 2006, for NCLB requirements. Chairman Alexander concurred that the Board would like to see 9<sup>th</sup> through 12<sup>th</sup> grade in one building, but there are many factors that needed to be taken into consideration. Discussion ensued regarding block scheduling and its cost to the district. Chairman Alexander turned the discussion over to Mr. Ogborn to review the district's financial position and whether the district could afford to reorganize at this time. Mr. Ogborn reported that enrollment was down and projected to decrease for the next couple of years, especially regarding federally impacted students resulting in reduced Impact Aid Funds and state funding, but expenses have increased. Further conversation continued regarding the district's finances and outlook, the presumed increase in enrollment, philosophy, visions, and predicaments. Dialogue continued regarding the proposed schedules, amount of credits needed for graduation, curriculum, and how the ultimate goal is to house grades 9 through 12 in the same building regardless of the type of schedule. It was decided to leave all options open.

- II. **ADJOURN** – All business of the Board having been completed the meeting adjourned at 8:07 p.m.

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Chairman Alexander

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Clerk Whitman