

SPECIAL BOARD MEETING – PUBLIC INPUT HEARING
 JUNE 18, 2019
 DISTRICT ADMINISTRATION OFFICE

- I. **CALL STUDENT MEALS PRICES INCREASE HEARING TO ORDER** – Chairperson/Vice-chairperson. Chairman Abrego convened the special meeting of the Board of Trustees at 6:45 p.m., June 18, 2019, at the District Administration Office, 470 North 3rd East, Mountain Home, Idaho, in said district, for the purpose of receiving testimony from interested parties on the proposed student meals prices increase, and pursuant to authority provided by Title 63, Chapter 13, Section 63-1311A – Advertisement of and Hearing on Fee Increases, and Title 74, Chapter 2, Sections 74-202(4)(c)(6)(b) – Open Public Meetings (Special Meeting), and 74-204(2) – Notice of Meetings, Idaho Code, and pursuant to affirmation by the Clerk that notice of the special meeting had been given to each trustee and posted public notice as required by law. A copy of the Notice of a Special Meeting of School Trustees so posted follows:

TRUSTEES PRESENT: Chairman Abrego, Trustee Binion, Trustee Donahue, Trustee Monasterio, Trustee Knox

MOUNTAIN HOME SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 193
NOTICE OF STUDENT MEALS PRICE INCREASE

The Mountain Home School District No. 193, Elmore County, is required to increase the student meal price for all the schools in Mountain Home School District due to the Healthy Hunger Free Kids Act of 2010, as required by Federal Law, Public Law 111-296. School Lunches will increase every year until we meet the Federal Healthy Hunger Free Kids Act of 2010. The following table is what this change will mean to students.

Mountain Home School District				
2019 - 2020 School Year				
Student Breakfast Price Increase				
	2018-2019 Price	2019-2020 Price	Amount Increase	Percent Increase
Elementary	1.30	1.35	0.05	3.8%
HMS	1.55	1.60	0.05	3.2%
MHJH	1.55	1.60	0.05	3.2%
MHHS	1.55	1.60	0.05	3.2%
Student Lunch Price Increase				
	2018-2019 Price	2019-2020 Price	Amount Increase	Percent Increase
Elementary	2.75	2.90	0.15	5.5%
HMS	2.95	3.10	0.15	5.1%
MHJH	2.95	3.10	0.15	5.1%
MHHS	2.95	3.10	0.15	5.1%
Adult Meal Price Increase				
Adult Breakfast	2.10	2.20	0.10	4.8%
Adult Lunch	4.20	4.40	0.20	4.8%
Milk Price Increase				
Milk	0.65	0.70	0.05	7.7%

A public hearing will be held at Mountain Home School District Administration Office, located at 470 North 3rd East, Mountain Home, at **6:45 p.m., on June 18, 2019**, preceding the Budget Hearing and the regular meeting of the Board of Trustees, for the purpose of receiving public testimony pertaining to the proposed meals fees price increases.

Sharon M. Whitman

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Clerk, Board of Trustees

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Chairman Abrego called upon Mr. Vick to review the proposed student meals prices increase.

Mr. Vick informed everyone that Mountain Home School District is required to increase the student meal price for all the schools in Mountain Home School District due to the Healthy Hunger Free Kids Act of 2010, as required by Federal Law, Public Law 111-296. School Lunches will increase every year until we meet the Federal Healthy Hunger Free Kids Act of 2010. He then reviewed the federal requirements and how to determine the amount of the increase needed to be to meet the federal requirement. Mr. Vick reviewed the formula used to determine the weighted average price for the meals. He said that the average weighted price is \$2.86 and the USDA requires us to be at \$3.00, which is \$.14 below. The maximum that the USDA can make us increase is \$.10, but the additional \$.04 would have to be added to next year's meals prices. He continued to say that the USDA raised the prices by \$.10 last year, so the meal prices increases are not going away. Mr. Vick explained that he did a \$.15 increase on lunches and a \$.05 increase on breakfasts to keep on top of what the USDA requires and then we shouldn't have these huge increases.

Mr. Vick compared our meal prices to other districts and we are lower than Twin Falls, we are about the same for West Ada and Boise school districts, so we are very comparable or below.

Mr. Vick reviewed the adjustment calculator to show how the increases were determined.

Chairman Abrego asked if the \$3.00 stayed consistent every year. Mr. Vick responded replied that it changes every year; last year it was a \$2.90.

Chairman Abrego asked for public input from the audience.

Superintendent Gilbert commented that we do not want to increase meal prices, but we have no choice.

Chairman Abrego commented that if the goal was to get more students on the Free & Reduced Meals, they have succeeded.

Trustee Donahue said that it was interesting that we were not the same as Twin Falls and then asked how much lower we were as compared to Twin Falls. Mr. Vick answered using last year's prices, we would be about \$.15 lower for elementary and secondary breakfasts, \$.05 under elementary lunches, we are even with middle school lunches, and we are \$.25 lower for secondary lunches. He added that Twin Falls has to raise their prices this year too.

- II. **ADJOURNMENT** – Chairman Abrego stated that with no other input, the student meals prices increase hearing was concluded, and that the proposed student meals prices increase would be an agenda item during the following regular board meeting. Hearing concluded at 6:53 p.m.

Chairman Abrego

Clerk Whitman