



**COMPASS PUBLIC CHARTER SCHOOL
SPECIAL BOARD MEETING MINUTES
February 28, 2008**

Executive Session

Following a roll call vote in public session, the board held an executive session pursuant to Idaho Code Section 67-2345 (l) b: to consider the evaluation, dismissal, or disciplining of, or to hear complaints or charges brought against a public officer, employee, staff member or individual agent, or public school student and c: to conduct deliberations concerning labor negotiations or to acquire an interest in real property that is not owned by a public agency.

At 5:16 PM, Chairman Barrus called the executive session to order. Members present were, Chairman Barrus, Director Dison, Director Simmons, Director Zito and Director Adolf.

The board discussed details relating to the acquisition of real property.

At 7:14 PM, Director Zito *moved to adjourn the executive session by unanimous consent.* Chairman Barrus declared the executive session adjourned without objection.

Public Session: This session was held for the purpose of conducting school business. The board met at Compass Public Charter School, 2511 W. Cherry Lane, Meridian, Idaho.

1. Opening of Meeting
 - a. **Call Meeting to Order:** Chairman Barrus called the meeting to order at 5:14 PM.
 - b. **Roll Call:** The clerk took the roll. Members present were Chairman Barrus, Director Dison, Director Simmons, Director Zito, and Director Adolf.
 - c. **Call for Executive Session:** Chairman Barrus asked if there was a motion to adjourn into executive session. Director Dison *moved that the board move into executive session pursuant to Idaho Code Section 67-2345 (l) b. to consider the evaluation, dismissal, or disciplining of, or to hear complaints or charges brought against a public officer, employee, staff member or individual agent, or public school student and c: to conduct deliberations concerning labor negotiations or to acquire an interest in real property that is not owned by a public agency.* Director Adolf seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken. Members voting in the affirmative were Chairman Barrus, Director Dison, Director Simmons, Director Zito, and Director Adolf. There were no dissenting votes.
 - d. **Reconvene Public Session:** At 7:20 PM, Chairman Barrus reconvened the public session.
 - e. **Pledge of Allegiance:** Chairman Barrus asked Mr. Fearey to lead the pledge.
 - f. **Class Presentation:** The first grade class gave a presentation of their class poem, a Shurley jingle and some Shurley sentences.
 - g. **Approval of Agenda:** Chairman Barrus stated that there were a few necessary changes to the agenda. Item 1(i) Emergency Closure needed to be inserted, moving persons wishing to speak to agenda and non-agenda items down. Item 5, the call for an additional executive session and Item 6, reconvening the public session to take any necessary action from the executive session, needed to be inserted, moving adjournment down. Director Dison *moved that the recommended amendments to the agenda be accepted, by unanimous consent.* Chairman Barrus declared the

agenda amended, without objection. Director Adolf *moved that the amended agenda be approved by unanimous consent.* Chairman Barrus declared the amended agenda approved, without objection.

- h. **Approval of Minutes:** Chairman Barrus asked if the board was prepared to approve the minutes for the meetings on January 10, 2008 and January 31, 2008. Director Simmons *moved that the board approve the minutes from the January 10, 2008 meeting, as presented, by unanimous consent.* Chairman Barrus declared the minutes from the January 10, 2008 meeting approved, without objection. Director Zito *moved that the board approve the minutes from the January 31, 2008 meeting, as presented, by unanimous consent.* Chairman Barrus declared the minutes from the January 31, 2008 meeting approved, without objection.
 - i. **Update on Emergency Closure on February 28, 2008:** Administrator Trudeau reported that she had found an email, of a threatening nature, in her school email inbox. The email was found at about 9:30 PM on Wednesday, February 27, 2008. The police were contacted and an investigation was begun. After speaking with a couple board members, Administrator Trudeau decided that an emergency closure was the prudent decision. She thanked the board members and Mr. Simili, who worked late into the night to contact parents about the closure. Buses ran their regular routes in order to ensure that no children would be left unattended. Administrator Trudeau stated that she was confident in the manner in which the situation was being handled and would reopen school on Friday, February 29, 2008 in a lock-down mode.
 - j. **Persons wishing to speak to an Agenda Item:** Chairman Barrus asked if there were any persons signed in to speak to an agenda item. The clerk reported that there were none.
 - k. **Persons wishing to speak to a Non-Agenda Item:** Chairman Barrus asked if there were any persons signed in to speak to a non-agenda item. The clerk reported that there were none.
2. Old Business
- a. **Facility Expansion Plan:** Administrator Trudeau reported that the board continues to pursue the plan to expand out from the existing office and enclose the drive-through area at the high school. A due diligence survey is complete and plans are being drawn. Chairman Barrus added that the area between the expansion wing and the gym building has been designated as playground area.
3. New Business
- a. **Approval of Snow Day:** Chairman Barrus stated that there were 2 emergency closures to be considered. First, the snow day of February 7, 2008 and second, the closure on February 28, 2008. Director Dison *moved that the board approve the emergency school closures on both February 7, 2008 and February 28, 2008, by unanimous consent.* Chairman Barrus declared the emergency school closures on both February 7, 2008 and February 28, 2008 approved, without objection.
 - b. **High School Name:** Administrator Fearey presented the name Compass Honors High School, stating that the High School Committee was recommending the change. The change was recommended as a way to express the focus of the high school, as well as assist with marketing. Board members asked a few questions, and Chairman Barrus allowed a few students from the audience to express their opinion of the name change. Director Zito *moved that the board approve the addition of the description, "Honors," to the official high school name, making it, "Compass Honors High School," pending approval by the Idaho Charter School Commission.* Director Adolf seconded the motion, which passed with a vote of 5 in favor, 0 opposing.
 - c. **Policy-Academic/Attendance Athletic Participation:** Administrator Fearey read the following policy titled, "Extra-Curricular Activities Participation Policy," for the first time.

Extra-Curricular Activities Participation Policy

There are a variety of activities in which students can become involved. Among these are athletics, student government, honor society, and service clubs.

Eligibility

Students participating in school activities/athletics must maintain a "C" in each of their classes to be eligible to participate in games/matches/meets/activities. Grade checks will be requested weekly by the coaches/advisors. Grade checks will begin within two weeks after the activity start

date. The following guidelines will be followed for each student that is involved in a school activity and is below a "C" in a class:

1. From the date of notification by the classroom teacher, the student has one week to raise the unacceptable grade to a "C" or show significant improvement.
2. If the grade is not raised to a "C" or the student does not show significant improvement, the student will not be eligible to participate in the upcoming week's games/matches/meets/activities. The student will be required to practice and attend all contests/activities as a part of the team, but will not participate in the event.

Students must be in attendance at school for the entire day in order to participate in the extracurricular activities after school or in the evening of that same day. Exceptions include: court appearance, bereavement, medical/dental appointments, or family emergency.

Any student receiving a DAR (Disciplinary Action Report) or suspension will incur loss of eligibility for extra-curricular activities during the week the infraction occurred.

Discussion followed, changes were recommended.

4. **Consent Agenda:** Chairman Barrus asked if board members had had opportunity to review the consent agenda, which contained a check register (1/1/2008-1/31/2008) showing expenses of \$91,755.79, a budget report from January 2008, an activities account report, a Local Government Investment Pool account report showing a balance of \$535,256.06. Director Dison *moved that the consent agenda be approved, by unanimous consent.* Chairman Barrus declared the consent agenda approved, without objection.
5. **Call for Executive Session:** At 8:14 PM, Director Dison *moved that the board adjourn into executive session pursuant to Idaho Code Section 67-2345 (1) a. to consider hiring a public officer, employee, staff member, or individual agent and b. to consider the evaluation, dismissal, or disciplining of, or to hear complaints or charges brought against a public officer, employee, staff member or individual agent, or public school student.* A roll call vote was taken. Members voting in the affirmative were Chairman Barrus, Director Dison, Director Simmons, Director Zito, and Director Adolf. There were no dissenting votes.
6. **Reconvene Public Session:** At 9:16 PM, Chairman Barrus reconvened the public session. She stated that action would be taken on the contracts presented to the board in executive session. Administrator Trudeau reported that she had submitted the following contracts for board approval:
 - To Mr. Howard Henning, Science
 - To Ms. Lola Lynch, High School English
 - To Ms. Tammy Hall, position to be announced.Director Simmons *moved that the 3 contracts be approved as presented.* Director Dison seconded the motion, which passed with a vote of 5 in favor, 0 opposing.
7. **Adjournment:** At 9:23 PM, Chairman Barrus asked if there was a motion for adjournment. Director Dison *moved that the meeting be adjourned by unanimous consent.* Chairman Barrus declared the meeting adjourned without objection.

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At 8:15 PM, Chairman Barrus called the executive session to order. Members present were, Chairman Barrus, Director Dison, Director Simmons, Director Zito and Director Adolf.

The board discussed details relating to the hiring and evaluation of employees.

At 9:15 PM, seeing nothing more to discuss, Chairman Barrus declared the executive session adjourned.

Chairperson

Secretary

Date Approved