

**REGULAR BOARD MEETING**  
**February 26, 2008**

**I. CALL TO ORDER**

Dawn Fazio, Chair, called to order at 7 PM, February 26, 2008 the regular monthly meeting of the Board of Trustees of Moscow School District No. 281 pursuant to Idaho Code Sections 33-506 and 33-510. The meeting was held in the Music Room of Moscow Junior High School, 1410 East D Street, Moscow, Idaho.

**II. DETERMINE QUORUM**

The Chair asked the clerk to determine if a quorum of the Board was present. The clerk responded that five Trustees were in attendance and a quorum was present. Trustees present were Dawn Fazio, Chair, Zone 4, Margaret Dibble, Vice Chair, Zone 5, Julia McIlroy, Zone 1, Jennifer Watts, Zone 2, and Paul Weingartner, Zone 3.

The staff members present were Candis Donicht, Superintendent, Kevin McDonough, Director of Special Services/Human Resources, Cindy Bechinski, Curriculum Director, Sue Driskill, Business Manager/Treasurer, and Annette Erickson, Clerk.

Fazio welcomed those in the audience.

**Agenda Approval:** The agenda was presented for approval. The agenda was approved as printed by unanimous consent.

**III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

The minutes of the Regular Board Meeting and Executive Session, January 22, 2008 and Special Meeting, February 6, 2008 were presented for approval. Fazio offered a correction to page 3 of the February 6 minutes.

**RESOLUTION 08-81**

**RESOLVED:** That the Board of Trustees of Moscow School District No. 281 hereby approves the minutes of the Regular Board Meeting and Executive Session of January 22, 2008 and Special Meeting, February 6, 2008 as corrected.

Dibble moved the Board approve Resolution 08-81, seconded by McIlroy. The motion carried 5-0-0.

**IV. GOOD NEWS, ANNOUNCEMENTS OR PRESENTATIONS**

- A.** Moscow High School junior Linyi Gao has been selected as the recipient of a \$1,000 scholarship from the MathMovesU scholarship program sponsored by the Raytheon Company. This is the second consecutive year Linyi has been honored with this award. In addition, Moscow High School will receive a matching grant of \$1,000 which will be used for the MHS academic competition fund. "Raytheon believes that tomorrow's engineers and technologists need to be excited by and interested in math today." The MathMovesU program grants \$1 million annually to teachers, students, and schools.

- B.** Max Bartlett and Sarah Nielsen, MHS seniors, have been selected as candidates for the United States Presidential Scholars Program. Scholars are chosen on the basis of their accomplishments in academic and artistic success, leadership, and involvement in school and the community and represent excellence in education and the promise of greatness in America's youth.
- C.** Katarina Brownell, MHS sophomore, has been selected as the first place winner in the "Why I Am Proud to Be an American" essay contest sponsored by the Fleet Reserve Association Branch 063. Katarina will receive a \$100 U.S. Savings Bond and her essay has been forwarded to the Northwest regional competition in Seattle.
- D.** Sarah Lanier, MHS junior, was the Veteran of Foreign Wars Post 2905 winner of the 2007 Voice of Democracy Audio-Scholarship Contest receiving a \$100 check and a \$75 U.S. Savings Bond from the VFW Women's Auxiliary. Sarah also took third place at the District 2 VFW level winning \$200 for her entry "My Role in Honoring America's Veterans."
- E.** Student winners at Moscow's January 19, 2008 Martin Luther King, Jr. Human Rights Breakfast included: Anne Gorman, MHS senior, receiving Rosa Parks Human Rights Achievement Junior Award; Quincey Cole and Amanda Niehenke, MHS sophomores, Essay Contest winners; Sami Durham, McDonald Elementary, and Beth Roach, Lena Whitmore Elementary, elementary Essay Contest winners; Sadie Rae Ringo and Annie Sheneman, Lena Whitmore Elementary, grades 1-3 Art Contest.
- F.** Susan Hodgin, MHS language arts teacher, received the Idaho Humanities grant award of \$998 to print an anthology of student responses to a Holocaust survivor visiting their classroom. Hodgin implemented the Adopt-a-Survivor program inviting Holocaust survivors to her classroom to present their stories. The students will respond with poetry, letters, journal entries, or essays.
- G.** Congratulations to Moscow High School senior Isaac Pastor-Chermak who was honored by the Inland Northwest Community Foundation as a "Young Artist Soloist" February 2-3 performing with the Washington-Idaho Symphony as the youngest of five honored soloists. His spectacular performance of Edward Elgar's Cello Concerto in E Minor was thrilling. Isaac is an accomplished violoncello player and performs with multiple regional orchestras. He studies with Irene Sharp at the University of California Berkeley. Isaac also attended MJHS and McDonald Schools. Great job Isaac!!
- H.** Each year the National Council of Teachers of English (NCTE) recognizes outstanding young writers from each state through contests offered at the 8<sup>th</sup> and 11<sup>th</sup> grade levels. Based on student enrollment, MHS may submit the names of two juniors for the NCTE Achievement Awards in Writing. Nominated by the English faculty were: Linyi Gao, Charlotte Guerra, Emerald LaFortune, Carrie Leib, Emily McGuire, Clay Mosman, Lauren Pennington, and Lisa Saladin. The students selected to represent MHS for the next phase of competition are Linyi Gao and Charlotte Guerra, juniors. Congratulations to all of these outstanding young writers.

- I. Fourth grade students in Marg Strong’s class recently had an opportunity to support a proposal for an “Official Idaho State Soil.” Paul McDaniel, soils scientist and father of Russell student, Natalie, inquired as to whether the students might be interested in writing letters of support to the Idaho Legislature to consider naming Threebear soil as Idaho’s state soil. McDaniel presented a lesson on the importance of soil and the uniqueness of Threebear soil following which the students wrote persuasive letters to the state Legislature detailing why Threebear soil is the best choice.
- J. Moscow elementary schools will enjoy a visit in late January and early February from award winning author Terry Bain, of Spokane, author of poetry, magazine articles, and books for upper elementary to adult readers. Bain has been recruited for the visit through the “get Lit” program’s Author Tour of Schools. His visit is being sponsored by the parent groups and elementary libraries.
- K. MHS students, Max Bartlett, Christian Brandt, Sarah Nielsen, and Carli Trail have been selected as Finalists in the 2008 National Merit Scholarship Competition. These students are recognized for their exceptional academic promise demonstrated by performance on the qualifying test for program entry. This honor is given to the top 15,000 students nationally. Congratulations to these outstanding students!
- L. The following MHS Business Professionals of America students qualified for the state competition in Boise March 5 – 8: Christa Atkinson, Matthew Baker, Ciara Bollman, Brian Bowles, Dillion Chamberlain, Storey Donaldson, Harry Evans, Axel Fenwick, Anne Gorman, Willem Kampenhout, Brittini Lowe, Sarah Lynn, Mitchell Nelson, Roy Nelson, Abigail Pfeifer, Megan Reyes, Kellen Robertson, Garrett Rose, Rebecca Shropshire, Jennifer Smith, Nicole Tribble, Amanda Troy, Jay VanGerpen, Anne Veseth, Melissa Wetzler, and Aaron Zillinger.
- M. MHS Principal Bob Celebrezze has announced a new program, The Principal’s Award for Academic Honors, to be awarded annually at the beginning of second semester of each school year. The award will be granted to all students in grades 10-12 who maintain a cumulative grade point average of 3.7 or higher. Ninety-seven MHS students earned the first Academic Honors award. To achieve and maintain this high level of academic proficiency shows both drive and desire that will provide for continued achievement in life-long learning. Dr. Donicht showed the academic letter to the Board and audience and discussion was held.
- N. Showcase presentation on the Latah Works Project – Jenni Hightower gave a PowerPoint presentation and described the collaborative project of Moscow Chamber of Commerce, MSD, and Moscow Rotary Club and have added the Idaho Department of Labor. LatahWorks.org will help students find local jobs and have opportunities to try out careers of interest and give job experience. Learn transferable workplace skills. Teachers can find guest speakers and field trip opportunities. Business owners can submit job-posting opportunities for entry-level positions. Appeal for job postings. Serves to lessen the gap between high school and a career path. Discussion was held. The site will be county-wide.
- O. **Public Comments** – Fazio called for comments. There were none.

V. **CONSENT AGENDA:** All items appearing under this heading were acted upon by one motion, without discussion.

A. **Fiscal Service**

1. Board Audit of Expenditures

Payroll, January Net Payroll	\$ 674,911.29
Payroll Taxes/Benefits/State, Federal Taxes	721,384.14
Accounts Payable, January Bill List	251,457.85
<b>TOTAL BILLS and PAYROLL</b>	<b>\$ 1,647,753.28</b>

All funds have been expended consistent with adopted budgets and applicable rules and regulations.

B. **Donations**

- Chris Williams donated \$60 to Moscow Junior High Schools Vocational Education Department. The donation will assist this growing program.
- Lena Whitmore Elementary received a \$600 check from Schweitzer Engineering Laboratories on behalf of their employees: Jason Dearien, Helena Gregory, Chad Lowman, James Mobley, Scott Manson, and Devon St. Pierre.
- West Park Elementary received a \$700 check from Schweitzer Engineering Laboratories on behalf of their employees: Joseph Buettner, Carilyn Hicks, Fred Kilborn, Andy Miller, David Prestwich, Tom Sokoloski, and Patty Vettrus. This donation will provide a special learning opportunity for a low-income student to attend the Palouse Science Center, for math manipulatives in the classroom, or the purchase of resources.
- Moscow Junior High School received an \$800 check from Schweitzer Engineering Laboratories on behalf of their employees: Cherly Baysinger, Tina Carlson, Merchele Greene, William Greene, Kelli Jensen, Heather Knight, Mark Planck, and David Weaver. The donation will be used to help purchase a new Internet based digital weather station for the school.
- Russell Elementary received a \$100 check from Schweitzer Engineering Laboratories on behalf of their employee A.J. Lujan that has been designated by Russell for the McCall Outdoor Science Camp for the sixth graders next fall. Paradise Creek Regional High School received \$300 on behalf of Betty Leonard, Sheryl Monk, and Michael Sanchez that will be used to pay tuition and books for the students' pre-engineering class at the University of Idaho, Principles of Technology and Engineering.
- Moscow High School received a \$1,300 check from Schweitzer Engineering Laboratories on behalf of their employees: Helene Cummngs, Chana Dyer, Cecil Groner, Eric Isaacson, Kitra Isaacson, Dean Klas, Bob Morris, Michelle Redinger, Sean Robertson, Wendy Secrist, Doug Taylor, Sarah Rose Wilcox, and Mark Wray. The donation will be used to enhance the Math Remediation Program and supporting the Accelerated Math software.
- McDonald Elementary received a \$1,000 check from Schweitzer Engineering Laboratories on behalf of their employees: Adina Bielenberg, Ernie Chandler, Martin Eng, Jennifer Halvorson, Michael Holland, Barry Klas, Jon W. Meyer, Michael Rourke, Mike Stubbers, and Dee Ann Thomson. The donation will be used to further the science and math programs.

- Kyle Harbacheck, a committed former three-year mentor while attending the University of Idaho, donated \$120 to the Moscow Mentor Program. The contribution will be used to continue mentor recruitment and recognition efforts. (There are currently 19 students on the waiting list to be paired with a mentor.)
- Two donations were recently received from Tri-State in Moscow: \$500 to the Moscow Mentors/Bear Buddies Program that will be used to recruit, train, and match volunteers with students; and \$200 to the Insomnia Outbreak Program that will be used to support MSD youth attending the 2008 Idaho Drug Free Youth Leadership Summit in June.

### C. Administrative/Human Resources

1. Certified – Hires  
Hubbard, Lisa, Teacher, Language Arts, Moscow Jr. High School, 1.0 FTE, Category 1 Contract, for the remainder of the 2007/08 school year only, effective 2/25/08.  
Irons, Lorene, Adjunct Economics Teacher, PCRHS, 3<sup>rd</sup> Quarter, 2 hours/day, effective 1/22/08 – 4/4/08.  
Walden, Johna, Adjunct Mathematics Teacher, PCRHS, 3rd Quarter, 2 hours/day, effective 1/22/08 – 4/4/08.
2. Certified – Stipends  
Allenger, Robert, School Psychologist, Moscow High School/Moscow Jr. High School, \$720 stipend for being a spring driver education instructor, effective 3/1/08.  
Jensen, Carolyn, Teacher, Special Education, Russell Elementary, \$3,480 stipend for being a spring driver education instructor, effective 3/1/08.  
Wissner, Gretchen, Teacher, Gifted/Talented, Lena Whitmore Elementary, \$75 stipend for being the school concert accompanist, effective 2/1/08.
3. Certified - Changes/increase/Decrease/Correction  
Bailey, Angela, Teacher, Social Studies, Moscow Jr. High School, .50 FTE, additional assignment for the remainder of the 2007/08 school year, Teacher, Social Studies, .50 FTE, Category 1 Contract, effective 2/11/08.  
Loman, Heather, Teacher, Special Education, Developmental Preschool, .50 FTE, additional assignment, Instructional Assistant Paraprofessional, Extended Time Reading Program, Lena Whitmore Elementary, 3.75 hours/day, effective 2/7/08.
4. Classified - Hires  
Bourque, Jayme, Aide, K+ Program, McDonald Elementary, 3.75 hours/day, effective 2/19/08.  
Brinkley, Andrea, Instructional Assistant Paraprofessional, Limited English Proficiency (LEP), District-wide, 2 hours/day, effective 1/30/08.  
Daley Laursen, Dianne, Instructional Assistant Paraprofessional, Extended Time Reading Program, West Park Elementary, 3 hours/day, effective 1/22/08.  
Oller, Wesley, Substitute Bus Driver, Transportation, effective 2/15/08.  
Klier, Daniel, Substitute Bus Driver, Transportation, effective 1/23/08.  
Matzick, Debora, Substitute Bus Driver, Transportation, effective 2/4/08.
5. Classified - Changes/increase/Decrease  
Harris, Greg, Bus Technician, Transportation, transfer to Transportation Supervisor, Transportation, 8 hours/day, effective 4/1/08.  
Klas, Trudy, Aide, Lunch Duty, Moscow Jr. High School, 1.5 hours/day, additional assignment, Substitute Bus Driver, Transportation, effective 1/30/08.
6. Classified - Stipend  
Durham, Virginia, Retired Employee, \$500 stipend for assisting with the MHS Environmental Club fund raiser, effective 2/11/08.
7. Classified – Resignations/Terminations/Retirements  
Berend, Toshia, Instructional Assistant Paraprofessional, Special Education Program, Lena Whitmore Elementary, effective 2/8/08.  
Chestnut, Barry, Substitute Bus Driver, Transportation, effective 2/15/08.  
Todd, Nicole, Instructional Assistant Paraprofessional, Special Education Program, Lena Whitmore Elementary, effective 3/28/08.

8. Activities- Hires/Rehires/Changes/Transfers/Resignations/Terminations/Retirements
  - Golf – MHS Hires*
    - Barnes, Robin, Assistant Golf Coach, effective 2/22/08 – 5/14/08.
  - Track – MJHS Hires/Rehires*
    - Arlint, Chad, Assistant JH Track Coach, effective 3/18/08 – 5/19/08.
    - Moe, Nate, Assistant JH Track Coach, effective 2/18/08 – 5/19/08.
    - Thill, John, Assistant JH Track Coach, effective 2/18/08 – 5/19/08.
  - Baseball – MHS Hires/Rehires*
    - Chamberlin, Bryce, Assistant V Baseball Coach, effective 2/22/08 – 5/14/08.
    - Lewis, Jay, Assistant 9<sup>th</sup> Grade Baseball Coach, effective 2/22/08 – 5/14/08.
    - Stone, Alec (AJ), Assistant JV Baseball Coach, effective 2/22/08 – 5/14/08.
  - Tennis – MHS Hires/Rehires*
    - Crandall, Marilyn, JV Tennis Coach (split), effective 2/22/08 – 5/19/08.
    - Dane, Samuel, Assistant JV Tennis Coach (split), effective 2/22/08 – 5/19/08.
  - Softball – MHS Hires/Re-hires*
    - Lee, Katherine (KC), JV Softball Coach, effective 2/22/08 – 5/19/08.
  - Track – MHS Hires/Rehires*
    - Edson, Ron, Assistant Track Coach (split), effective 2/22/08 – 5/25/08.
    - Pierce, Doug, Assistant Track Coach, changed from split position to a full position due to additional responsibilities, effective 2/22/08 – 5/25/08.
    - Welch, Shannon, Assistant Track Coach (split), effective 2/22/08 – 5/25/08.
  - Football – MHS Resignations/Terminations/Retirements*
    - Fisher, Doug, Head Coach, effective 1/29/08.
    - Stone, AJ, Assistant Football Coach, effective 1/22/08.

Fiscal Implication: These personnel items do not exceed the budget allocation for personnel as approved by the Board.

## **RESOLUTION 08-82**

**RESOLVED:** That the Board of Trustees of Moscow School District No. 281 hereby approves all items listed under the Consent Agenda as presented.

Weingartner moved the Board approve Resolution 08-82, seconded by Dibble. The motion carried 5-0-0.

Fazio pointed out 19 students were waiting for mentors and encouraged people to become mentors. Fazio thanked the donors listed especially Schweitzer Engineering for their contributions to the District.

## **VI. CONTINUED BUSINESS**

- A. **Curriculum, Instruction & Assessment** – Dr. Bechinski stated teachers have been great about doing curriculum work after school the past couple of weeks because of the loss of curriculum days due to makeup snow days. Dr. Bechinski shared copies of language arts textbooks being considered for adoption. These are copies of texts she hopes to bring for approval at the next Board meeting. Staff is also looking at assessment programs for Response to Intervention. Kevin Hill has been instrumental in developing a literature list the teachers feel is critical to their grade level of instruction, Dr. Bechinski stated, and commended Hill for his work.
- B. **Board Review and Discussion of Board Policy Manual Section V, Students** – Fazio led the review. Discussion was held on open enrollment subjects and various word or typo corrections to be made in this section and they were noted by the clerk.

## VII. NEW BUSINESS

- A. **Approval of Safety Busing Requests** – Sue Driskill stated this is a routine item that comes to the Board each year for approval. There are no changes from the previous year and Driskill recommended approval. Dibble asked about the City's grant application for sidewalks. Dr. Donicht stated the grant was approved for Cleveland Street and in the Lena Whitmore area with construction starting this summer. A new grant was just submitted for the Mountain View Road sidewalks.

### RESOLUTION 08-83

**RESOLVED:** That the Board of Trustees of Moscow School District No. 281 hereby approves the 2007-08 safety busing requests as presented.

McIlroy moved the Board approve Resolution 08-83, seconded by Weingartner. The motion carried 5-0-0.

- B. **Approval of School Closure Days – January 28, 29, 31 & February 1 & 7** – Dr. Donicht explained the requirement of Board approval for school closure days which must be recorded in the minutes and documented to the State Department of Education with attendance reports and a signed Certificate of Closure. The calendar revisions approved at the February 6 Special Board Meeting for school make-up days will also be submitted to the State Department. Dr. Donicht recommended approval.

### RESOLUTION 08-84

**RESOLVED:** That the Board of Trustees of Moscow School District No. 281 hereby approves the January 28, 29, 31 and February 1 & 7, 2008 school closure days due to adverse weather and road conditions.

Weingartner moved the Board approve Resolution 08-84, seconded by Dibble. The motion carried 5-0-0.

- C. **Approval of Revised Transportation Job Descriptions: Dispatcher, Bus Technician, & Bus Driver** – Kevin McDonough explained the Transportation Director job description was approved last month and in that research it was determined that other job descriptions were out of date. These revisions bring the job descriptions up to date and McDonough recommended approval.

### RESOLUTION 08-85

**RESOLVED:** That the Board of Trustees of Moscow School District No. 281 hereby approves the revised job descriptions of Dispatcher, Bus Technician, and Bus Driver as presented.

Watts moved the Board approve Resolution 08-85, seconded by McIlroy. The motion carried 5-0-0.

- D. New Job Description: Weight Training Supervisor, First Reading** – Kevin McDonough stated the Weight Training Supervisor has been on the extracurricular salary schedule for years but there has not been a job description. Activities Director Jerry Jaques agreed there needs to be a job description for the hired position so that the students can continue using the equipment safely with supervision. Discussion was held on whether or not this was a first reading or action item. McDonough asked for action and recommended approval.

**RESOLUTION 08-86**

**RESOLVED:** That the Board of Trustees of Moscow School District No. 281 hereby approves the job description of Weight Training Supervisor as presented.

Watts moved the Board approve Resolution 08-86, seconded by McIlroy. Weingartner asked if this is a new hire and just for athletes. McDonough said, yes, it is a new hire but the person works with all students. Weingartner asked about liability issues. Dr. Donicht stated accidents happen but the District would have to be negligent to have liability. Driskill was not aware of any accidents so far, but with the new equipment there is more student interest and the position covers after school activities. Supervision helps the students learn proper techniques and limits liability for the district. Driskill stated she thought an assistant coach's job description was used inappropriately in the past. Weingartner stated the rationale should change to include the need for student safety and accurate demonstration for student use as it is a different philosophy. Fazio said the purpose is to give sufficient guidance. The vote was called and the motion carried 5-0-0.

- E. Proposed New Board Policy, Non-discrimination Policy 1120.04 Related to Federally Funded Programs, First Reading** – Dr. Bechinski stated these revisions come from the federal desk review and is a required policy addition. Discussion was held. The second reading will be held in March.
- F. Proposed New Board Policy, Homeless Students, Policy 5170.00 – 5173.00, First Reading** – Dr. Bechinski stated this is a requirement and is appropriate for Moscow. There are a lot of variations of the definition of “homeless.” Fazio asked if there was a model policy. Dr. Bechinski viewed a state model plus others from a variety of districts in other states. Discussion was held on “records normally required.” Weingartner sees a problem in there is no definition of homeless in this policy. Further discussion was held. The second reading will be held in March.
- G. Proposed Policy Revisions, 6040.00 Assessment Policy and 6041.00 Student Assessment, First Reading** – Dr. Bechinski stated this policy was very out of date. Fazio asked about the meanings of “formative” and “summative” assessments in the last paragraph. Should they be defined or deleted? It was decided to delete “Formative and summative local” and add “other” for the second reading in March.
- H. Proposal for 2008-09 Curricular Change, AP Spanish, First Reading** – Dr. Bechinski said this year there were some advanced training funds through Gifted/Talented Program. The teacher would like to modify classes by adding Advanced Placement Spanish for the next school year. Discussion was held. The second reading will be held in March.

- I. Proposal for 2008-09 Curricular Change, AP French, First Reading** – Dr. Bechinski stated there are not as many students that enroll in French, but they want to have two Advanced Placement French classes at MHS. Bob Celebrezze said students would go to AP classes after French I & II. Discussion was held between the Board, Celebrezze, and Dr. Bechinski. The second reading will be in March.
- J. Approval of Student Appeals for Alternative Route to Graduation** – Dr. Bechinski stated in accordance with existing policy there are five students who need to demonstrate proficiency to graduate as they have not passed portions of the ISAT. The mechanism to be used is PLATO and their special education plan if they are special education students. Policy requires Board approval which Dr. Bechinski recommended.

**RESOLUTION 08-87**

**RESOLVED:** That the Board of Trustees of Moscow School District No. 281 hereby approves the request to provide five students the opportunity to demonstrate proficiency through approved locally established alternative mechanisms in order to graduate, as presented.

McIlroy moved the Board approve Resolution 08-87, seconded by Weingartner. Discussion was held about the non-identity of the students. Dibble asked for a later report on the success of the five students with the alternate mechanisms. The motion carried 5-0-0.

**VIII. INFORMATION**

**A. Superintendent's Report**

1. Secondary Class Loads Report – Semester reports were distributed. After Christmas, staff was added to decrease the class loads as required. At the elementary level temporary remediation staff is being added with restored building budgets.
2. Legislative Report – Various bills were mentioned by Dr. Donicht including: the definition of public virtual charter schools' requirement of highly qualified teachers; criminal history check for contracted service providers; bill passed for replacement of funds affected by loss of the Craig-Wyden monies; various bills concerning charter schools; early childhood learning bill; bill defeated for energy efficient "green" design; bill to allow the State Department of Education to withhold funds of schools (including charters) that do not submit their audit on time; the ISTARs "lite" bill passed the Senate Ed and is going to the Senate floor with the Governor supporting the \$33 million version; performance evaluation of the K-12 funding formula; and the election consolidation/reform with the bill over 100 pages listing four dates: the primary, general, March and September with the county responsible for conducting school elections rather than the school clerk. Discussion was held.
3. Snow Closure Procedures – Next year we will try to build more hours into the calendar to provide additional time to increase the closure options to five days. February 15 there was good attendance on the first scheduled make-up day. Everyone in the district is to be commended for working through the snow day closure difficulties, Dr. Donicht stated.

- B. High School Redesign Report** – Bob Celebrezze presented a PowerPoint presentation of the progress of the State Board of Education mandated high school redesign with discussion and questions by the Board.
- C. Report of ISBA “Day on the Hill” February 11 & 12** – Dawn Fazio attended the Idaho School Boards “Day on the Hill” in Boise and learned about current legislative action. The ISBA Foundation is teaching boards about boardmanship using The Lighthouse Project with research explaining the value of board training linked to student outcomes. Fazio fails to understand the election consolidation push and ISBA is against it. Fazio brought the ISBA Legislative position booklet to be shared.

## **IX. SUGGESTIONS AND COMMENTS**

- A. Public Comments** – Dale Kleinert invited attendance at the Parent Support Team parent night “Understanding Your Teen” with multiple counselor presentations, 7 PM, February 28, in the multipurpose room.

The Chair called for a motion and roll call vote for Executive Session pursuant to Idaho Code Section 67-2345 (1) (b) & (f) for the discussion of personnel and litigation.

### **RESOLUTION 08-88**

**RESOLVED:** That the Board of Trustees of Moscow School District No. 281 retire into executive session pursuant to Idaho Code 67-2345 (1) (b) & (f) for the discussion of personnel and litigation.

Weingartner moved the Board approve Resolution 08-88, seconded by McIlroy. The clerk called the roll for the vote: Fazio – yes, Dibble – yes, McIlroy – yes, Watts – yes, Weingartner – yes. The vote was unanimous for the executive session.

A break was taken at 9:35 PM for the remaining audience to leave the room.

## **X. EXECUTIVE SESSION**

At 9:38 PM the five Board members entered into a discussion of litigation. Dr. Donicht, Kevin McDonough, Sue Driskill, and Annette Erickson were also present at the executive session. Dr. Bechinski entered the executive session at 9:47 PM. There was no discussion of personnel.

## **XI. RETURN TO OPEN SESSION FOR POSSIBLE ACTION FOLLOWING EXECUTIVE SESSION**

The Chair announced the Board would reconvene into open session at 10 PM.

## **XII. ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business or discussion the meeting was immediately adjourned at 10 PM.