# ISBA Day on the Hill

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# A Presentation by the Idaho School Boards Association

#### **Today's Presenter**



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### Agenda

- 1. **Demographics Survey**
- 2. Negotiations Survey
- 3. Training Update
- 4. Legislative Update for this Year
- 5. Important ISBA Bylaw Change
- 6. Stand up for Idaho Public Schools

# Trustee Demographics Survey Results

- 265 Responses
- 56% of all respondents have served four (4) or fewer years
- 14% have served 12 years or more
- 92% either now have, or have had, a student in an Idaho public school

- 55% are male; 45% are female
- 70% are currently employed or self employed
- 20% are retired
- Age categories:
  - 18-29 1%
  - **30-39** 13%
  - **40-49 34%**
  - **50-59** 22%
  - **60-69** 23%
  - 70 or older 7%

- Top employment industries include:
  - Agriculture/Forestry
  - Educational Services, Health Care, and Social Assistance
  - Professional, Scientific, Management, Administrative
  - Finance, Insurance, Real Estate
- 63% have a bachelors or graduate degree
- 17% have an Associates or PTE degree

#### When it comes to politics:

- 21% are very conservative
- 39% are somewhat conservative
- 25% are middle of the road
- 12% are somewhat liberal
- 3% are very liberal

# Negotiations Survey Results

- 83 School Districts Responded
- About 54% of school districts required the local union to prove they represented 50% + 1 of the certificated employees
- Of those districts, 33% have that process outlined in Board Policy
- Only 1 local union out of 43 was unable to prove majority representation

- Over 88% of the school districts participated in negotiations; 12% did not
- 85% of school districts began negotiations prior to May 16
- 75% of school districts met five or fewer times before completing negotiations
- 68% spent 10 or less hours in negotiations
- 5 districts spent 30 or more hours

- 87% of school districts completed negotiations by July 1
- For the first demands/offers made by both the unions and the districts, the most requested items to be included in the master agreement were:
  - Pay Increases
  - Addition of Steps and Lanes
  - No Increases in Insurance Costs to Staff

- 74% of school districts paid all movement on steps and lanes
- 49% of school districts increased the grid
- Increase in total overall pay:
  - **.5 1.5%** 64% of school districts
  - **Over 3%** 4% of school districts
  - 0% of school districts decreased total overall pay

- 63% of school districts either picked up the entire cost of the increase in health insurance or decreased the amount employees paid for it
- 5% of our school districts imposed a reduction in force this year

- 30% of school districts negotiated other items besides salary and benefits into the master agreement
  - Staff Grievance
  - Leave Time
  - Professional Development
  - Association Rights
  - Staff Evaluations
- 72% of the districts that negotiated items besides salary and benefits into the master agreement currently had policies on at least one of those items negotiated

#### Percent of the Budget that goes to pay salary and benefits:

- 66-70% 4.1% of school districts
- 71-75% 6.8% of school districts
- 76-80% 12.3% of school districts
- 81-85% 35.6% of school districts
- 86-90% 37% of school districts
- 91-95% 4.1% of school districts

# Training Update

School Districts are Using the \$2000 per District That You Appropriated Last Year

### Training





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Jackie Hopper



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### Training



ISBA has signed up 81 traditional school and charter districts for board training packages. Trainings completed so far....

- **16 Strategic Planning**
- **19 Superintendent Evaluations**
- **13 Finance**
- **27 Ethics**
- **17 Governance**

# Advocacy

#### **2015 Legislative Priorities**





# Removal of the sunset clauses on three pieces of legislation and making them permanent.



**Evergreen Clause** 



**Ability to Reduce Salaries** 



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#### **Education Tax Credits**



#### Alternative school funding for 6<sup>th</sup> grade

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#### **IEN /Funding**



#### **Tiered Certification**



#### **Career Ladder**

### **Association Update**

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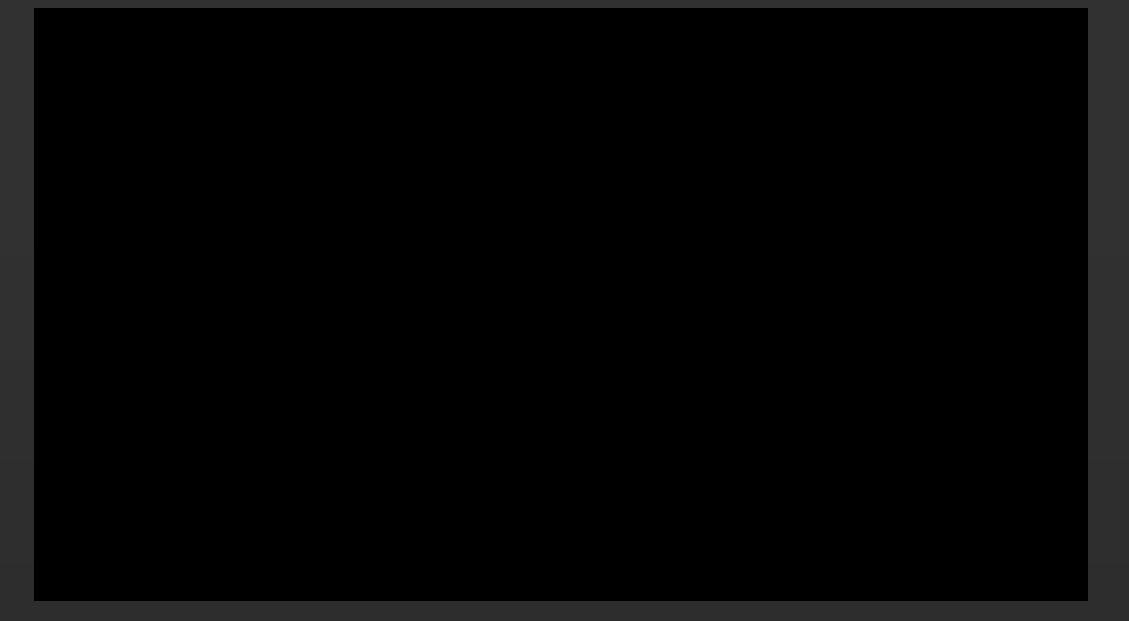
#### How it Began: National School Boards Association



### "Public education is the cornerstone of our democracy."

#### Barbara Morgan

*Astronaut, Educator in Idaho, and Supporter of Stand Up 4 Idaho Public Schools* 



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#### **4 Things You Can Do Today:**

- 1. 'Like' the Facebook page and/or follow us on Twitter
- 2. Share a good-news story with ISBA about your district or a student from your district
- 3. Tell us your story Has Idaho public education helped shape who you are today?
- 4. Suggest an individual that exemplifies Idaho public education

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