CHEWELAH SCHOOL DISTRICT

FACILITY COMMITTEE MEETING

January 8, 2020

Attendees: Rich McFarland, Zachary Levchenko, Jerry Schlatter, Kevin Herda, and Julie Price.

Minutes from the December meeting were reviewed, and Kevin Herda moved to approved.

District staff met with the construction group and were impressed with the services that the construction group would provide. Their services would aid in maximizing our funds and ensure that all bid rules and public work regulations are followed. The construction group has been involved with many recent projects upgrading security and communication systems and would be an invaluable resource.

The District did not receive the Rural and Small Schools Grant. We were about number 16 on the list with the top 8 districts receiving the grant. If they fund this grant next year, we are hopeful to be in the running in the following year to receive the grant.

Zachary Levchenko was also impressed with the construction group, CSG. The technology projects will be over $75,000 requiring that we do a request for proposal and follow all bid regulations. We will need to enter into a interlocal agreement with CSG. Zachary has been working with Cerium Networks to provide a proposal for the phone and camera systems.

Jason Tapia reported that maintenance completed an office upgrade at Jenkins Jr./Sr. High School and bathroom cabinet replacements at Gess Elementary over the winter break.

The District conducted water sampling for lead at Jenkins Jr./Sr. High School and Gess Elementary and found two fixtures that tested above the lead testing threshold and two that were close to the threshold. These fixtures were replaced, and the district instituted a flushing system to prevent the water from standing in the fixtures for long periods which leads to the water leaching lead from the fixtures.

The facility group was asked to provide input into our upcoming EP&O levy informational pamphlet that will be sent out for the February 11th ballot. Levy support signs will be placed around the community. Julie asked about organizing a “calling group” and strategic sign placement party.

The next facility meeting was scheduled for February 12th at 5:30 p.m. Meeting adjourned at 5:56 p.m.