



IDAHO STATE POLICE
NOTICE OF ACTION ON PUBLIC RECORDS REQUEST

Name of Requestor: Randy Schrader, Ed.S/Idaho Ed News Date: November 13, 2020

Address of Requestor: Via Email: rschrader@idahoednews.org

I. Request Granted

- The requested record is enclosed.
You may inspect and photocopy the requested records during regular office hours by contacting:

Program Custodian Title Telephone Number

II. Request Denied in Part or Denied in its Entirety

Your request has been processed, and has been denied in part; denied in its entirety pursuant to:

- Idaho Code 74-124(1)
Idaho Code 74-124(2)
Idaho Code 74-124(3)
Idaho Code 74-101(6)
Idaho Code 74-101(7)
Idaho Code 74-104(1)
Idaho Code 74-105(1)
Idaho Code 74-105(6)
Idaho Code 74-105(4)(b)
Idaho Code 74-105(12)
Idaho Code 74-106(1)
Idaho Code 74-106(8)
Idaho Code 74-106(9)
Idaho Code 74-106(15)
Idaho Code 74-106(30)
Idaho Code 74-107(1)
Idaho Code 74-107(11)
Idaho Code 74-107(15)
Idaho Code 74-107(18)
Idaho Code 74-108(5)
Idaho Code 74-109(1)
Idaho Code 74-112
Idaho Code 74-113(3)
Idaho Code 74-115(3)
Idaho Code

- Other/Explanation
Investigation is active or ongoing.
No record found or no such record exists.
Record not maintained in format requested.
ISP cannot inform you when the requested record becomes available, contact program custodian with new request.

You may request these records from the County Prosecuting Attorney's office.

The statutory exemptions cited above are found in Idaho's Public Records Act and are not a complete listing of all other legal bases or privileges which may also apply.

An attorney for the Idaho State Police has reviewed the request or the program custodian has had an opportunity to consult with an attorney regarding the request and has chosen not to do so.

You have the right to appeal this denial or partial denial of your request by filing a petition in conformance with the provisions of the Idaho Public Records Law, Title 74, Chapter 1, Idaho Code. Your petition must be filed in the Sixth Judicial District Court of the State of Idaho within one hundred eighty (180) calendar days of the date of mailing of this notice.

III. Additional Comments: Your request for investigative reports for ISP Case Number Z19000077 is partially denied; personal identifying information has been redacted per Idaho Codes indicated on this form.

Sincerely,

Captain Fritz Zweigart, Program Custodian

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Thursday, November 12, 2020

Review of Fred Ball Investigation

I have reviewed the reports that have been provided to me by Detective Teresa Stephenson and I also have had a meeting with Detective Teresa Stephenson discussing her process of the investigation and her findings. After reviewing the documents and a detailed discussion, I do not find that there are any charges that would be applicable at this time that could be provable beyond a reasonable doubt in front of a jury. Therefore, our office will not be filing charges at this time against Fred Ball with the information that is provided.

Sincerely,

  
Paul Rogers  
Bingham County Prosecutor

**JOHN FRED BALL**  
**Idaho State Police**

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Supplement No  
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**06/17/2019**

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**STEPHENSON, TERESA**

**Administrative Information**

Agency <b>Idaho State Police</b>	Case No <b>Z19000077</b>	Supplement No <b>ORIG</b>	Reported Date <b>06/17/2019</b>	Reported Time <b>13:00</b>	Status <b>Investigate</b>
Rpt/Incident Typ <b>AGENCY ASSIST OTHER</b>					
Location <b>17 N 550 W</b>					City <b>BLACKFOOT</b>
ZIP Code <b>83221</b>	County <b>4B1</b>	Region <b>P5</b>	From Date <b>06/17/2019</b>	From Time <b>08:00</b>	
Member#/Dept D# <b>3965/STEPHENSON, TERESA</b>			Assignment <b>DETECTIVE DIST 5</b>	Entered By <b>3965</b>	
Assignment <b>DETECTIVE DIST 5</b>	RMS Transfer <b>Successful</b>	Prop Trans Stat <b>Successful</b>	Report Title <b>JOHN FRED BALL</b>		
Approving Officer <b>3388</b>	Approval Date <b>01/16/2020</b>	Approval Time <b>08:13:19</b>			

**Person Summary**

Invl <b>SUS</b>	Invl No <b>1</b>	Type <b>I</b>	Name <b>BALL, JOHN FREDRICK JR</b>	MNI <b>893099</b>
Race <b>W</b>	Sex <b>M</b>	DOB [REDACTED]		

**Summary Narrative**

On June 17, 2019 at approximately 0800 hours, I, Idaho State Police Detective Stephenson, and Detective Marcus Graham were assigned to investigate a complaint brought against John Fred Ball. This will be turned over to the Bingham County Prosecutor for further review.

**JOHN FRED BALL**  
**Idaho State Police**

**Z19000077**

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**SUSPECT 1: BALL,JOHN FREDRICK JR**

Involvement <b>SUSPECT</b>	Invl No <b>1</b>	Type <b>Individual</b>	Name <b>BALL, JOHN FREDRICK JR</b>						
MNI <b>893099</b>	Race <b>White</b>	Sex <b>Male</b>	DOB [REDACTED]	Age [REDACTED]	Ethnicity <b>Not of Hispanic origin</b>		Juvenile? <b>No</b>	Height <b>5'10"</b>	Weight <b>200#</b>
Hair Color <b>Brown</b>	Eye Color <b>Green</b>	Res Status <b>Resident</b>	OPN_INVL <b>1</b>	Vic/Ofnd Age [REDACTED]	PRN <b>209941</b>				
Type <b>Home</b>	Address [REDACTED]								
City [REDACTED]		State [REDACTED]	ZIP Code [REDACTED]		Date <b>06/17/2019</b>				
Type <b>Operator License</b>			ID No [REDACTED]	OLS <b>IDAHO</b>					
Type <b>Social Security Number</b>			ID No [REDACTED]						

**Narrative**

1. On June 16, 2019, I, Detective Stephenson (Idaho State Police Investigation District 5) and Detective Marcus Graham were given information to review as claims of financial transactions made by John F. BALL. BALL was the Principal at the Charter School in Blackfoot, Bingham County Idaho. There are concerns that BALL used school funds to over pay his son's band to transport modular classrooms, and that he may have improperly used school funds to purchase the modular classrooms for the charter schools, from himself.

2. I reviewed documentation provided to me from Captain Dayley (Idaho State Police District 5 Commander) submitted by Alan Reed Chairman, Idaho Public Charter School Commission stating:

a. "In August 2017, BCCLC wrote a check to Dr. Ball in the amount of \$22,099.37 for "modular and other expenses." The incomplete supporting documentation includes an invoice from Dr. Ball for \$16,000 for two modular classrooms.

b. Dr. Ball has stated that he personally purchased two modulares from Salt Lake Community College (SLCC) in 2014 and incurred additional expenses, including transportation of the modulares, before selling them to BCCLC in 2017.

c. The school has not been able to produce complete documentation supporting these transactions, such as bills of sale or receipts for the majority of the expenses being reimbursed. It is my understanding that neither Dr. Ball nor SLCC has any record of a sale of modular classrooms to Dr. Ball."

3. On May 22, 2019 Eide Bailly (CPAs & Business Advisors) sent the following to the Idaho State Board of Education. They performed an onsite examination from Monday April 22, 2019 through April 24, 2019. The purpose of the onsite examination was to begin collecting financial records needed to the forensic accounting examination. On page 5 they stated the following:

a. "It is our understanding the Charter Schools purchased two modular units from the Salt Lake Community College on/or around December 2013 for \$2,000. At the same time, Fred Ball ("Ball"), the Charter School's superintendent, personally purchased two modular units. A vendor called Somewhere in the Middle was paid \$12,000 by the Charter Schools for transporting the modular units. It is our understanding that Ball's son is associated with Somewhere in the Middle as it was a musical band he was a part of at one time. No supporting invoice for this payment to Somewhere in the Middle has been located or provided to us for our examination.

b. On or around August 2017, the Charter Schools purchased the two modular units Ball personally purchased. The Charter Schools paid Ball \$16,000."

4. On Page 8, the Conclusion states:

"As reflected in this letter, the Charter Schools readily produced information at our request. We have not identified any financial impropriety concerns to date over cash handling and credit card activities."

5. On August 18, 2019 I contacted Fred BALL via cell phone and asked him to come into the office to speak with Detectives regarding financial transactions that took place while he was employed with the Charter School. BALL stated he would like for his attorney to be with him during the interview and I asked BALL to contact me and

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advise when they both would be available to speak with.

6. On August 26, 2019 I contacted Fred BALL, via cell phone and asked him if he had the opportunity to speak with his attorney in regards to setting up a time or date to come in and speak with Detectives. BALL advised he spoke with his attorney and his attorney would like to be present during the interview. I again asked BALL to set up a date that was convenient for both individuals.

7. BALL sent me a text message from phone [REDACTED] advising me his attorney, Matthew Kinghorn, is out of town for a week and will be contacting me when he returns.

8. On September 9, 2019 at approximately 12:30 p.m., Mr. Kinghorn contacted me via cell phone, I explained that I would like for him and his client to meet with Detective Graham and myself regarding financial transactions made while BALL was employed with the Charter schools in Blackfoot. Mr. Kinghorn stated that he has advised his client to exercise his 5th amendment rights, and would not be speaking with us. Mr. Kinghorn also stated that the case had been turned over to the prosecutor (which it had not, it is still being investigated).

9. On September 20, 2019 I spoke with Chris JENSEN. JENSEN had requested contact to be made with him, as he had information regarding BALL. I contacted JENSEN via cell phone. JENSEN told me he had a long history with BALL and BALL purchasing modular classrooms. The interactions JENSEN has had is regarding state code and building safety issues, nothing that pertains to the current investigation.

10. On September 20, 2019 I spoke via cell phone with Alan REED. REED explained he was a Chairman on the Charter School Commission. REED explained DAG sent them a letter stating they were never able to obtain financial documents needed. The Attorney General's Office advised they conduct a forensic audit. The forensic audit was done (as stated above). REED stated the audit found suspicious activity and the big red flag was SLCC had no records showing proof BALL purchased the modular rooms, personally.

11. I have gone through all the documents provided to me as well as what I could locate as public record. These documents will be burned to a data disk and submitted as evidence.

12. This report will be forwarded to the Bingham County Prosecutor as well as any documents I have obtained for further review.

# BALL FOLLOWUP Idaho State Police

## Z19000077

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### Administrative Information

Agency <b>Idaho State Police</b>	Case No <b>Z19000077</b>	Supplement No <b>0001</b>	Reported Date <b>10/16/2019</b>	Reported Time <b>11:13</b>	Status <b>Investigate</b>
Rpt/Incident Typ <b>AGENCY ASSIST OTHER</b>					
Location <b>5255 S 5TH AVE</b>					City <b>POCATELLO</b>
ZIP Code <b>83204</b>	County <b>1B1</b>	Region <b>P5</b>	Member#/Dept ID# <b>3965/STEPHENSON, TERESA</b>		
Assignment <b>DETECTIVE DIST 5</b>	Entered By <b>3965</b>	Assignment <b>DETECTIVE DIST 5</b>	RMS Transfer <b>Supplement Transfer Complete</b>		
Prop Trans Stat <b>Successful</b>	Report Title <b>BALL FOLLOWUP</b>	Approving Officer <b>3388</b>	Approval Date <b>11/04/2019</b>		
Approval Time <b>12:12:47</b>					

### Summary Narrative

On October 16, 2019 at approximately 1014 hours, I, Detective Teresa Stephenson (Idaho State Police, District 5), conducted a follow-up interview with Wendy HOBLEY via telephone. During the phone conversation, HOBLEY detailed her knowledge of the checks she signed for the Charter School. I obtained a box of documents from Bingham County Sheriff's Office. No arrests have been made and the investigation continues.

### SUSPECT 1: BALL, JOHN FREDRICK

Involvement <b>SUSPECT</b>	Invl No <b>1</b>	Type <b>Individual</b>	Name <b>BALL, JOHN FREDRICK</b>		
MNI <b>902163</b>	Race <b>White</b>	Sex <b>Female</b>	DOB [REDACTED]	Age [REDACTED]	Ethnicity <b>Not of Hispanic origin</b>
Juvenile? <b>No</b>	Res Status <b>Resident</b>				
OFN_INVL <b>1</b>	RMS Transfer <b>Successful</b>	Vic/Ofnd Age [REDACTED]	PRN <b>209941</b>		

### Property

Prop # <b>1</b>	Involvement <b>EVIDENCE-Non-Drug</b>	Invl Date <b>10/16/2019</b>	In Custody? <b>Yes</b>	Security <b>No</b>	Tag No <b>190003862</b>	Item No <b>1</b>
Description <b>box of paperwork</b>						Type <b>A</b>
						Cat <b>Other</b>
						Article <b>DOCUMENTS MISC</b>
BRS Type <b>Other</b>	Entered Date <b>10/29/2019</b>	Entered Time <b>08:29</b>	RMS Transfer <b>Successful</b>	Control <b>3965</b>	<b>1029190830</b>	

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- On October 16, 2019 at approximately 10:14 hours, I, Detective Teresa Stephenson (Idaho State Police, District 5) spoke with Wendy HOBLEY via telephone.
- I told HOBLEY that I was contacting her because she was a signer for a check that was written in August 2017.
- I explained to HOBLEY that I was looking for the policy on when a check was signed, or if there was protocol that needed to be taken. HOBLEY told me that Randy RUGER would contact her on very short notice (5 to 30 minutes) and request she sign a check. This happened on several occasions, RUGER would even meet her at her house to have checks signed.
- HOBLEY stated she had specified Fridays to be the days she would sign any checks that needed to be signed. RUGER would still ask her to sign checks with little notice on any given day of the week, unable to wait until Friday for the checks to be signed.
- HOBLEY stated there were checks that she signed that made her uncomfortable. She would ask for

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documentation for the check and RUGER would tell her "we just do what Fred wants us to do". HOBLEY stated most of the checks were for repairs on the school or items needed for the school.

6. HOBLEY stated RUGER brought her the check for \$22,099.37. RUGER explained the purchase was from the prior fiscal year. HOBLEY stated she was uncomfortable signing the check as the funds were coming out of the new fiscal year and it should have been processed the year prior.

7. HOBLEY stated during Board meetings if any financial topics were brought up, BALL and RUGER would become irritated and would not want to speak about anything brought up. HOBLEY stated if RUGER was speaking about anything financially, BALL would interject and correct RUGER, making RUGER change his "opinion" on the financial report.

8. HOBLEY was never allowed to see the bank statements.

9. HOBLEY stated when she began demanding documentations for the checks she was signing she began having personal issues with her two children who attended the Charter School. HOBLEY ended up pulling both of her children from the school. After her pulling her children out of the school she was released from the Board (as per the Board policy, Board members have to have children enrolled in the Charter School.)

10. HOBLEY stated I needed to speak with Scott CHAPEL, as he left the BOARD around the same time she did. HOBLEY gave me two contact numbers for CHAPEL. I will follow up with CHAPEL. ( [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] )

11. HOBLEY stated there were two other signers on the Board, Holley LILLIA and Kendra REESA.

12. On October 17, 2019 I contacted Scott CHAPEL via cell phone.

13. Scott provided me with information regarding incidents he has had with BALL and stated he would be willing to meet with myself to discuss this matter further. Scott stated his personal phone number was [REDACTED] and has been in contact with me, trying to set up a time that works for both of us to meet.

14. CHAPEL stated that HOBLEY called him and told him I would be contacting him, he said that HOBLEY had turned over information to the Bingham County SO regarding a case that had come up with the school, prior to this investigation.

15. I contacted HOBLEY regarding the information, documents that she turned over the the SO, HOBLEY stated she turned over information to Detective Nalley. I contacted Detective Nalley and he agreed to leave the box of documents with his Captain.

16. I picked up a box from the Bingham County SO and reviewed the documents in it. There were board minutes, policy manuals, and a lot of other documents that I could not tie to this case. These items will be placed into evidence if needed for the future.

17. Any further information will be added as a supplement. This investigation is ongoing.

# INTERVIEW

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**EMBEZZLE**

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### Administrative Information

Agency <b>Idaho State Police</b>	Case No <b>Z19000077</b>	Supplement No <b>0002</b>	Reported Date <b>09/16/2020</b>	Reported Time <b>09:08</b>	Status <b>Report to follow</b>
Rpt/Incident Typ <b>EMBEZZLEMENT</b>					
Location <b>5255 S 5TH AVE</b>					City <b>POCATELLO</b>
ZIP Code <b>83201</b>	County <b>1B1</b>	Region <b>P5</b>	Member#/Dept ID# <b>3965/STEPHENSON, TERESA</b>		
Assignment <b>DETECTIVE DIST 5</b>	Entered By <b>3965</b>	Assignment <b>DETECTIVE DIST 5</b>	RMS Transfer <b>Supplement Transfer Complete</b>		
Prop Trans Stat <b>Successful</b>	Property? <b>Unknown</b>	Report Title <b>INTERVIEW</b>	Approving Officer <b>3388</b>	Approval Date <b>11/02/2020</b>	
Approval Time <b>15:36:47</b>					

### Summary Narrative

On October 29, 2019, I, Detective Teresa Stephenson, interviewed Melvin CHAPPELL at the Idaho State Police District 5 office, located in Pocatello, Bannock County, Idaho. CHAPPELL was a board member for Blackfoot Charter Community Learning (BCCLC) for 2 years under John BALL. CHAPPELL came in willingly to speak with Detectives regarding his concern for some incidents that occurred while he was on the board. This interview was recorded.

### SUSPECT 1: BALL, JOHN FREDRICK JR

Involvement <b>SUSPECT</b>	Invl No <b>1</b>	Type <b>Individual</b>	Name <b>BALL, JOHN FREDRICK JR</b>						
MNI <b>922274</b>	Race <b>White</b>	Sex <b>Male</b>	DOB [REDACTED]	Age [REDACTED]	Ethnicity <b>Unknown</b>	Juvenile? <b>No</b>	Res Status <b>Resident</b>	OFN_INVL <b>1</b>	RMS Transfer <b>Successful</b>
Vic/Ofnd Age [REDACTED]	PRN <b>209941</b>								

### Property

Prop # <b>1</b>	Involvement <b>EVIDENCE-Non-Drug</b>	Invl Date <b>09/16/2020</b>	In Custody? <b>Yes</b>	Security <b>No</b>	Tag No <b>200004366</b>	Item No <b>1</b>	
Description <b>data disk of chappell interview</b>						Type <b>A</b>	
Cat <b>Radio, TV, Home electronics</b>			Article <b>Audio/Laser Compact Disc (CD)/DVD</b>				
BRS Type <b>Recordings - audio, visual</b>		Entered Date <b>10/23/2020</b>	Entered Time <b>15:17</b>	RMS Transfer <b>Successful</b>			
Control <b>3965 1023201519</b>							
Link <b>SUS</b>	Involvement <b>SUS</b>	Invl No <b>1</b>	Name <b>BALL, JOHN FREDRICK JR</b>			Race <b>W</b>	Sex <b>M</b>
DOB [REDACTED]							

### Narrative

1. On October 29, 2019, I, Detective Teresa Stephenson (Idaho State Police District 5 Investigations) and Detective Marcus Graham interviewed Melvin Scott CHAPPELL (DOB: [REDACTED]) at the District 5 Office Investigations Office located at 5255 South 5th Ave., Pocatello, Bannock County, Idaho. CHAPPELL made the following statements:

A. He was a member of the Board of Trustees for Blackfoot Charter Community Learning (BCCLC) for approximately two years, 2016-2018.

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- B. During that time, members were talking about purchasing land to build new buildings. When he asked what debts could be serviced, they would not provide the numbers to him. The individuals who would not provide him the information was Kanda Reesa, Fred Ball, and Randy Ruger. He asked them in "Board Meetings" and in private conversations.
- C. During one private conversation with Fred BALL, BALL told him, "Scott, that it is not your business". He told BALL, " it is his business; if he needed to vote on it, he needed to know the numbers". BALL told him he better quit asking and that was something he (BALL) took care of.
- D. He met with Tamara Baysinger who works out of Boise and over sees the Charter Schools in Idaho.
- E. There are two schools (BCCLC and Bingham Academy), separate entities, but functioning as one. BALL was using the bus yard as a laundromat to clean funds from the elementary school to take care of the uncontrollable spending going on at the high school.
- F. The high school would send the elementary school a bill, yet there were no set amounts or any contract, they would just ask for the amount they needed.
- G. BALL and RUGER do not provide documents, they go back and make the documents needed to justify reports.
- H. When he would ask for expense reports, they would hand him one or two papers for a month of expenses.
- I. There were three different expense reports that would be given out.
- J. Wendy Hobbley gave a box of documents to a City Officer (I contacted Blackfoot Police Department and they turned over a box of paperwork to me. In this box there were minute entries, agendas, etc.).
- K. BALL has given information to a news source that he purchased two mobile units from Salt Lake Community College and paid with a check from the school. He paid his son Aaron to transport the units but his son did not have the equipment to transport these and that Brian Theeland transported them. Theeland is the bus manager, who works for the school.
- L. He got a bunch of his information from the news individual he was speaking with.
- M. Kurt Fulk at Quest CPA, told him he can justify all the payments except one for \$206,182.00, a deed of trust. Fulk said he doesn't know what it's for, where it goes or who gets it.
- N. He believes Stacey of Holly Lillia made a personal loan to the school, but he was unsure.
- O. There is a reoccurring payment of \$1737.00 that goes to the deed of trust payment.
- P. Jeff Robbins brought up some financial wrong doing that needed to be cleaned up before the building started.
- Q. His number one concern is that the students are not getting the education the school is saying they are getting.
- R. BALL's motivation to get the high school going was to keep a paycheck coming to him and continue to launder the money he was embezzling.
- S. ISTCS board fired BALL for financial wrong doing. He understood the superintendent (Tammy Dortch) and the school benefitted from this. Her number is [REDACTED].
- T. Lane Miller ([REDACTED]), was supposed to take Randy Ruger's position.
- U. In two years, he knew of four times they were short on payroll.
- V. BALL has made some threats towards some individuals that he believed to have gone to the Charter School Commission.
- W. BALL retired for one day and then was reinstated
- X. He thought BALL went out of his way to make people think he was a financially strapped individual.

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Y. He has no proof to show that BALL was not purchasing items for the school on his own credit card.

Z. In 2016, there was a middle school remodel and there might be something in the expenditures.

AA. The remodels on the modular class rooms cost about \$50,000-\$80,000.

AB. They never showed him the full expense reports.

AC. He doesn't have any concrete evidence.

AD. They ended a meeting because they told him he was physically threatening him. He told them his seat has not been filled so he has not been replaced. He was told that the next meeting he was allowed to sit in the general seating area, and not where the board members sat. A City Officer (Cpl. Braswell) told him he will physically remove him if he tried to sit with the board.

AE. Crystal Murdoch, works for the Charter School, and he spoke of her credentials. [REDACTED]

AF. He believed the forensic audit was politically shut down, by BALL writing letters to the congressmen, etc.

AG. He continued to list several people and their phone numbers, stating they may be able to shed some light on the details.

AH. He believes BALL borrowed money from Lillias to cover payroll, and somewhere down the line they found some financial wrong doings and BALL had to cut them in somewhere.

AI. He has ideas, but nothing concrete.

3. **Everything that he stated was more of an opinion (he states that several times in his interview).**

4. The interview was terminated at this time. It should be noted this interview was recorded and a copy of the interview recording will be placed into evidence.

Non-drug exhibit:

#1- data disk of CHAPPELL interview

# FINANCIAL REVIEW

## Idaho State Police

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Agency <b>Idaho State Police</b>	Case No <b>Z19000077</b>	Supplement No <b>0003</b>	Reported Date <b>11/02/2020</b>	Reported Time <b>14:23</b>	Status <b>Investigate</b>
Rpt/Incident Typ <b>AGENCY ASSIST OTHER</b>					
Location <b>5255 S 5TH AVE</b>					City <b>POCATELLO</b>
ZIP Code <b>83204</b>	County <b>1B1</b>	Region <b>P5</b>	From Date <b>11/02/2020</b>	Member#/Dept ID# <b>3965/STEPHENSON, TERESA</b>	
Assignment <b>DETECTIVE DIST 5</b>	Entered By <b>3965</b>	Assignment <b>DETECTIVE DIST 5</b>	RMS Transfer <b>Supplement Transfer Complete</b>		
Prop Trans Stat <b>Successful</b>	Property? <b>None</b>	Report Title <b>FINANCIAL REVIEW</b>	Approving Officer <b>3388</b>	Approval Date <b>11/03/2020</b>	
Approval Time <b>09:50:46</b>					

### Summary Narrative

Final summarization of financial review.

### SUSPECT 1: BALL, JOHN FREDRICK

Involvement <b>SUSPECT</b>	Invl No <b>1</b>	Type <b>Individual</b>	Name <b>BALL, JOHN FREDRICK</b>							
MNI <b>954632</b>	Race <b>Unknown</b>	Sex <b>Male</b>	DOB [REDACTED]	Age [REDACTED]	Ethnicity <b>Unknown</b>	Juvenile? <b>No</b>	Height <b>5'10"</b>	Weight <b>200#</b>	Hair Color <b>Brown</b>	Eye Color <b>Green</b>
Res Status <b>Resident</b>	OFN_INVL <b>1</b>	RMS Transfer <b>Successful</b>	Vic/Ofnd Age [REDACTED]	PRN <b>209941</b>						

### Property

Prop # <b>1</b>	Involvement <b>EVIDENCE-Non-Drug</b>	Invl Date <b>11/02/2020</b>	In Custody? <b>Yes</b>	Security <b>No</b>	Tag No <b>200004482</b>	Item No <b>1</b>	
Description <b>data disk with pdf documents</b>						Typ <b>A</b>	
Cat <b>Radio, TV, Home electronics</b>			Article <b>Audio/Laser Compact Disc (CD)/DVD</b>				
BRS Type <b>Recordings - audio, visual</b>			Entered Date <b>11/02/2020</b>	Entered Time <b>16:32</b>	RMS Transfer <b>Successful</b>		
Control <b>3965 1102201633</b>							
Link <b>SUS</b>	Involvement <b>SUS</b>	Invl No <b>1</b>	Name <b>BALL, JOHN FREDRICK</b>			Race <b>U</b>	Sex <b>M</b>
DOB [REDACTED]							

### Narrative

- On November 2, 2020, I, Detective Teresa Stephenson (Idaho State Police District 5 Investigations) was able to review all documentation provided to me for possible misuse of public funds by BALL.
- I have been able to look over the forensic accounting examination of the Blackfoot Charter Community Learning Center and the Bingham Academy, performed by EideBailly (CPAs and Business Advisors). In their letter they stated: "The schools record keeping was somewhat unorganized for the time period of the examination. Due to the organization of the accounts payable records, it would be difficult for us to determine if all operating expenses have adequate supporting documentation without attempting to locate support for each expense."
- The audit touched base on the Modular Classroom Expenses, stating the modular expenses primarily consist of architect fees, remodel costs, electrical work, and utilities.
- The audit addressed credit cards, cash handling, co-mingling of funds between the charter schools, and use of

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the charter schools funds for daycare.

5. The conclusion of the audit was: "We have not identified any financial impropriety concerns to date over cash handling and credit card activity. We did note supporting records, such as invoices and receipts, were somewhat unorganized. Due to the lack of organization, attempting to account for each invoice or receipt to support operational expenses could be difficult."

6. I received individual W2's for BALL and RUGER for the years of 2017 and 2018. I was unable to verify if the checks wrote to the two men for "payroll" were overpayment, as the charter schools ledgers showing payroll are lump sums and not individual payroll payments.

7. On the financial audit, Workpaper 4, Bingham Academy Export from Amazon.com it shows possible personal transactions on the Bingham Academy Charter School account. These transactions took place (this is just a few examples and not all of the items are listed), These items were delivered to addresses that did not belong to the school and appear to be personal items purchased through the Bingham County Charter School account:

- 3/14/2019- Elizabeth Reistein, [REDACTED] (shoes) Saucony Women's running shoes \$66.62
- 12/17/2018 Ashley Guardipee/Bingham Academy [REDACTED] (apparel) Teeuiear Women's Sexy off shoulder autumn winter bandage bodycan party dress causal cocktail long sleeve pencil dresses \$15.95
- 12/25/2017 Irwin and Susie Fisk [REDACTED] (Jewelry) Sterling silver and swiss blue natural topaz gemstone pendant necklace fine jewelry gifts for women \$63.39
- 8/2/2017 Ashley Guardipee [REDACTED] (Home Improvement) Whirlpool Silverware basket \$38.69
- 7/17/2017 Same as above (Video Games) Cabela's Dangerous Hunts 2013-Xbox 360 \$9.35

8. The list continued on with dresses, jewelry, baby clothing, dietary supplements, light bars, toys, beauty products, and electronic gift cards all being purchased and sent to either the school or personal addresses.

9. After reviewing the documentation provided to me and documents I have obtained, I believe that BALL, RUGER and other paid positions of the two listed schools have broken the Code of Ethics provided by Idaho Professional Standards Commission- Failure to account for school funds. The school has a responsibility to maintain organized accounts and the documentation we recieved from them is unorganized and incomplete.

10. I reviewed e-mails sent to me by Tamara Baysinger (at the time of communications she was the Public Charter School Comission Director). There were emails attached between BALL and HOBLEY. HOBLEY stated she would provide BALL with clarity as why she was asking for supporting paperwork to justify payments of bills. There are several emails that raise concerns regarding late payroll, negative balances, and charges that warrant further investigation.

11. All documents referenced above have been burned to a data disk and added into evidence.

Exhibit:

#1- data disk with pdf documents

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Thursday, November 12, 2020

Review of Fred Ball Investigation

I have reviewed the reports that have been provided to me by Detective Teresa Stephenson and I also have had a meeting with Detective Teresa Stephenson discussing her process of the investigation and her findings. After reviewing the documents and a detailed discussion, I do not find that there are any charges that would be applicable at this time that could be provable beyond a reasonable doubt in front of a jury. Therefore, our office will not be filing charges at this time against Fred Ball with the information that is provided.

Sincerely,

  
Paul Rogers  
Bingham County Prosecutor