

Chairman Tom Hearn of the Coeur d'Alene School Board – 2.25.14 (via Facebook)

At the legislature today again with [Christa Hazel](#) and [David Eubanks](#). We are advocating as best we can for increased funding ,etc. for the Coeur d'Alene School District. I have testified in the legislature a number of times in the past when I was chair of some state boards. I'm a little skeptical about how much some legislators listen to us about the needs in the schools based on my past experiences in the legislature however we will try as best we can to advocate for a real and lasting commitment to public education.

I invited some of our legislators to come to our schools and see the great things that are being done and try to imagine how much more could be done with a serious commitment to public education. Some politicians have a lot of excuses..... gee we can't afford it. I say we can no longer afford to be satisfied with the status quo as far as our poor funding and commitment to public education. Doesn't it concern folks that Idaho has the poorest funding per student in the nation?