

REGULAR MEETING
BOARD OF TRUSTEES
SCHOOL DISTRICT #6
MARCH 14, 2022

The Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees of School District Six was held at 6:00 P.M., Monday, March 14, 2022, in the Boardroom of the administration offices at 501 Sixth Avenue West, Columbia Falls, Montana.

PRESENT:

Jill Rocksund..... Board Chair
Dean Chisholm..... Vice Chair
Larry Wilson..... Trustee
Barbara Riley Trustee
Keri Hill Trustee
Heather Mumby Trustee
Wayne Jacobsmeyer..... Trustee
Dave Wick..... Superintendent of Schools
Dustin Zuffelato Business Manager/Clerk

ABSENT:

Gail Pauley Trustee

Chair Rocksund called the meeting to order at 6:04 P.M.

Motion by Mumby, second by Hill, to approve the agenda as presented.
Motion passed 7-0.

Motion by Mumby, second by Hill, to approve the following items on the consent agenda as presented:

February 14, 2022 Board Meeting Minutes, February Bills, Investment Reports, and the Student Activity Account transfers.

Motion Passed 7-0

Public Participation:

Approximately ten (10) people participated in the meeting remotely via Zoom. Approximately twenty (25) people attended the meeting in person.

Chair Rocksund requested public participation on any agenda or non-agenda items. Joe O'Rourke – Community Member expressed concern with the social emotional curriculum and the risk behavior survey. This curriculum and survey are not valuable and taking away from academic time. Mr. O'Rourke requested a forum for the community to have dialogue with the School Administration and the School Board concerning Social Emotional Learning (SEL) and to conduct this discussion prior to the annual time that the survey is administered by the District during the current school year. Community member Megan Upton contended that the risk behavior survey designed by the Office of Public Instruction is intrusive into a student's personal life and related to values that should be exclusively taught within the family confines and not the classroom.

There was no additional public participation.

CALL TO ORDER

APPROVE AGENDA

APPROVE CONSENT
AGENDA

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REPORTS:

Reports:

K-8 Facility Bond Project – Owners Representative Dave Jolly provided an update.

The Elementary School Principals provided the Board with written reports.

High School Principal Scott Gaiser provided the Board with a written report. Approximately 15 students will be departing for France at the end of the week on a trip originally planned in 2021.

District Business Manager/Clerk provided the Board with a written report. The District has obtained bids to procure network infrastructure hardware and connectivity through the federally funded E-Rate Program. The District will be selecting Unite Private Network to install the fiber optics to the new Glacier Gateway Elementary for a cost of \$41,222. The District will be selecting Pinecove to procure 154 wireless access points and 38 switches. Mr. Zuffelato notified the Board that he has received nominating petitions from five candidates for the two open positions within the Elementary District and one candidate for the one position within the High School District. The deadline to file is March 24, 2022. Mr. Zuffelato informed the Board that the fiscal year 2021 audit should be completed by the end of the month. Fieldwork has led to some findings regarding year-end cut off procedures as well as timely deposit of funds to the bank.

Trustee Barb Riley provided the recent proceedings of the Montana School Board Association. The K-12 Vision Group recently conducted a meeting.

Curriculum Director Mark McCord provided the Board with a written report. A recently established Committee has elected to choose FinalSite to work on redesigning the District Website.

Superintendent Dave Wick provided the Board with a written report.

ACTION /
DISCUSSION ITEMS:

Action/Discussed Items:

Approximately ten members of the public attended the meeting in support of adding Baseball as a Montana High School Association sanctioned team. The group submitted a written executive summary detailing their proposal. 36 kids would be on the JV and Varsity rosters. The program would be initially funded by a yet to be formed 501c(3) entity called the Columbia Falls High School Baseball Association. This Association would provide a three-year commitment to funding the program commencing with the 2022/23 season. Initial start-up costs are estimated to be \$25,000. The next step would be to execute an agreement between the Columbia Falls High School Baseball Association and the School District.

DISCUSSION TO
CONSIDER ADDING
BASEBALL AS AN
MHSA SANCTIONED
SPORT

Lisa McKeon presented an update regarding the Swim Team. Further discussion since the previous School Board Meeting resulted in some recommended changes to the originally proposed plan. Mrs. McKeon advised the most effective plan would be for the Columbia Falls School District to operate independently from the Whitefish School District. Each school would hire their own coaches and the only shared expenses would be transportation to swim meets and the practice facility use of the Wave. The next step is formal consideration to terminate the Swim Team Cooperative Memorandum of Agreement and simply operate independently for the 2022/23 school year.

DISCUSSION TO
CONSIDER SWIM
TEAM TO OPERATE
INDEPENDENTLY
FROM THE
WHITEFISH SCHOOL
DISTRICT

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Business Manager Dustin Zuffelato presented an amendment to the Comprehensive School and Community Treatment program service provider agreement with Logan Health. The amendment is effective January 1, 2022 and is predicated on changes to state laws and administrative rules enacted during the 2021 session. The District is now required to pay a local match of approximately 35% of every dollar billed by Logan Health when serving our students through this program. The intent of the addendum is to define the amount the District must remit to Logan Health for eligible mental health services provided to our students. The District will remit to Logan Health the difference between what it receives from the State Department of Health and Human Services and the amount that the District is required to pay as a local match. The terms were devised to ensure the District continues operating this program at no cost after being required to provide a local match. Superintendent Dave Wick noted that it is the intent of Logan Health to transition this program to an outpatient model whereas they would no longer utilize Medicaid CSCT funds to provide services to our students.

Motion by Wilson, second by Mumby, to approve the amended mental health service provider agreement with Logan Health. Passed 6-1. No-Jacobsmeyer

MOTION TO APPROVE
THE AMENDED
MENTAL HEALTH
SERVICE PROVIDER
AGREEMENT WITH
LOGAN HEALTH

The Board considered the annual notification required regarding their intent to impose non-voted levies for the upcoming budget. Business Manager Dustin Zuffelato reviewed the requirements codified in statute and provided the revisions to these laws passed during the 2021 legislative session. Mr. Zuffelato highlighted the School Major Maintenance Account including the historical levy authority and the state/local match. Mr. Zuffelato provided how the School Major Maintenance Account funds have been used since the District started securing funds through this levy in 2018. Mr. Zuffelato presented the resolution estimating the non-voted levies in FY 2023 for the Transportation, Bus Depreciation, Tuition, Adult Education, and Building Reserve Funds. The non-voted levies in these funds are estimated to decrease as a result of changes to bus routes, staffing levels, and year-end fund balance re-appropriated.

Motion by Wilson, second by Chisholm, to approve Resolution 395-Elementary District intent to impose non-voted levies in FY 2023. Passed 7-0

Motion by Wilson, second by Hill, to approve Resolution 396-High School District intent to impose non-voted levies in FY 2023. Passed 7-0

MOTION TO APPROVE
RESOLUTION 395

MOTION TO APPROVE
RESOLUTION 396

The Board recently established a Finance Committee and need to appoint the members to serve on the Committee and establish basic by-laws concerning the duties and meeting frequency/timing of this Committee. Board consensus was to schedule the inaugural Finance Committee Meeting to determine and establish the by-laws.

Motion by Wilson, second by Hill to appoint Trustees Heather Mumby, Wayne Jacobsmeyer, Dean Chisholm, Barb Riley, and Jill Rocksund to serve on the Finance Committee. Passed 7-0

The Board considered a recommendation from the Long Range Planning Committee whom conducted a meeting on March 7, 2022. The Committee recommended Jackola Engineering based on the following: less than optimal performance by Morrison Maierle on the District's previous projects, better fit on the High School project based on the scope of project and size of firm, obtain a new perspective-different ideas, and build a relationship with a new team that is also local. Trustee Wilson expressed concern with the process of vetting out the two perspective firms.

Motion by Jacobsmeyer, second by Riley, to select Jackola Engineering to design the specifications necessary to replace the existing HVAC mechanical system at the High School. Passed 6-0. Wilson abstained.

MOTION TO APPROVE
THE SELECTION OF
JACKOLA ENGINEER-
ING TO DESIGN THE
REPLACEMENT OF HS
HVAC SYSTEM

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MOTION TO APPROVE
THE INDEPENDENT
CONTRACTOR AGREEMENT WITH JACQ
CREEK CONSULTING

The Board considered a recommendation from the Health Insurance Committee for independent contractor services to help administer the Plan. The intent of utilizing the services of Jacq Creek Consulting is to ease the administrative burden to operate the self-insured health program and more importantly to provide an independent unique perspective to ensure the effective operation of the program.
Motion by Mumby, second by Hill, to approve the independent contractor agreement with Jacq Creek Consulting. Passed 7-0

PERSONNEL:

Personnel:
The Board acknowledged the following resignations previously accepted by the Superintendent: Maya Kroll – Teacher, Linda Hopkins – Teacher, Brittany Boone – Para-educator, Virginia Gilman-Counselor, Tammy Bates – Teacher, Kelsey Patton-Teacher, Kelsey Patton – Junior High Volleyball Coach, John Horine-Custodian and Bus Driver, Tanya Deshaw – Custodian, and Carrielynn O'Reilly-Teacher and Special Olympics Coach.

MOTION TO
APPROVE HIRING
RECOMMENDATIONS

Motion by Wilson, second by Mumby, to approve the following hiring recommendations: Terri Eckel-Para-educator and Niels Getts – Assistant Tennis Coach. Passed 7-0

MOTION TO APPROVE
ELEM (ATTACHMENT #1) &
HS (ATTACHMENT #2)
TENURE TEACHER
HIRING
RECOMMENDATIONS

Motion by Wilson, second by Mumby, to approve the Elementary and High School District tenured teacher hiring recommendations for school year 2022/23 as listed on attachment #1. Passed 7-0

MOTION TO APPROVE
THE SUBSTITUTE
HIRING
RECOMMENDATIONS

Motion by Wilson, second by Mumby, to approve the substitute hiring recommendations. Passed 7-0

MOTION TO APPROVE
THE EXTENSION OF
A PREVIOUS SICK
LEAVE BANK
REQUEST

The Board considered a sick leave bank request. As the individual's right to privacy exceeds the public's right to know, Chair Rocksund called the meeting into executive session at 8:15 P.M. Open meeting resumed at 8:27 P.M.
Motion by Wilson, second by Jacobsmeyer, to approve the extension of the sick leave bank requested. Passed 7-0

MISC / FUTURE
PLANNING

Miscellaneous and Future Planning:


Health Insurance Committee Meeting	March 31, 2022	4:00 P.M.
Finance Committee Meeting	April 11, 2022	5:00 P.M.
Regular Board Meeting	March 11, 2022	6:00 P.M.

MEETING
ADJOURNED:

As there was no further business to come before the Board, Chair Rocksund adjourned the meeting at 8:28 P.M.



Board Chair



Business Manager/Clerk

Name	Description	DAC	FTE	Primary Job Title	Hire Date
HOVDE, TERI K	Teacher	Ruder	1.0000	Teacher - Early Elem	8/31/1990
SOMMERS, SHANNON M	Teacher	Ruder	1.0000	Teacher - Early Elem	8/31/1990
MORGAN, ERIC R	Teacher	Junior High	1.0000	Teacher - Junior High	8/30/1991
NICHOLS, SABRINA K	Teacher	Junior High	1.0000	Teacher - Junior High	8/30/1991
KEHR, ROBYN L	Teacher	Ruder	1.0000	Teacher - PE	8/28/1992
BIRDSELL, MARCY S	Teacher	Junior High	0.5000	Teacher - Junior High	9/17/1992
KEHR, DAVID H	Teacher	Junior High	1.0000	Teacher - PE	8/27/1993
SULLIVAN, DALLAS K	Teacher	Junior High	1.0000	Teacher - Junior High	8/27/1993
JENSEN, JODI L	Teacher	Glacier Gateway	1.0000	Teacher - Early Elem	8/30/1995
NISSSEN, SHERRI D	Teacher	Ruder	1.0000	Teacher - Early Elem	8/30/1995
GANGE, KIMBERLY K	Teacher	Junior High	1.0000	Teacher - Junior High	9/21/1995
BLAIR, KENT M	Teacher	Junior High	1.0000	Teacher - Junior High	8/25/1997
GANGE, KRISTINE L	Teacher	Junior High	1.0000	Teacher - Elem	8/25/1997
CHRISTENSEN, JANA E C	Teacher	Ruder	1.0000	Teacher - Early Elem	8/31/1998
KOCH, PAULA A	Teacher	Junior High	1.0000	Teacher - Junior High	8/31/1999
WETSCH, KATHY M	Teacher	Junior High	1.0000	Teacher - Junior High	8/31/1999
HANSON, AMY L	Teacher	Ruder	1.0000	Teacher - Early Elem	8/31/1999
HOERNER, JENNIFER L	Teacher	Ruder	1.0000	Teacher - Early Elem	8/31/1999
BROWN, JOSIE L	Teacher	Junior High	1.0000	Teacher - Junior High	8/28/2000
EKSTROM, HOLLY A	Teacher	Junior High	1.0000	Teacher - Junior High	8/28/2000
FEIST, HEATHER S	Teacher	Junior High	1.0000	Teacher - Junior High	8/28/2000
ROBBINS, JENNIFER M	Teacher	Junior High	1.0000	Teacher - Junior High	8/28/2000
DIMAIO, LESLIE B	Teacher	Junior High	1.0000	Teacher - Junior High	8/28/2000
THOMPSON, JASON L	Teacher	Glacier Gateway	1.0000	Teacher - Counselor	9/3/2002
FREEMAN, HEIDI J	Teacher	Ruder	1.0000	Teacher - Early Elem	8/25/2003
OREM, KRISTY M	Teacher	Glacier Gateway	1.0000	Teacher - Kindergarten	1/5/2004
COLEMAN, TAMMY A	Teacher	Junior High	1.0000	Teacher - Title 1	8/30/2004
WELCH, JOSEPH A	Teacher	Junior High	1.0000	Teacher - Junior High	8/30/2004
CHILDERS, SARA F	Teacher	Ruder	1.0000	Teacher - Librarian	8/30/2004
GNAUCK, CARRIE E	Teacher	Glacier Gateway	1.0000	Teacher - Elem	9/1/2004
SCHAEFFER, RACHEL L	Teacher	Glacier Gateway	1.0000	Teacher - PE	8/29/2005
BRANSTETTER, JACQUELINE	Teacher	Junior High	1.0000	Teacher - Music	8/29/2005
MASA, RUBIANNA M	Teacher	Junior High	1.0000	Teacher - Junior High	8/29/2005
COX, DEBRA M	Teacher	Glacier Gateway	1.0000	Teacher - Early Elem	8/28/2006
EMERSON, LAURA C	Teacher	Glacier Gateway	1.0000	Teacher - Early Elem	8/27/2007
ERLER, EMILIE E	Teacher	Glacier Gateway	1.0000	Teacher - Early Elem	8/27/2007
GIANOS, RACHEL A	Teacher	Glacier Gateway	1.0000	Teacher - Early Elem	8/27/2007
VAN DER WEIDE, SIMON H	Teacher	Glacier Gateway	1.0000	Teacher - Elem	8/27/2007
BOWLER, CAMI J	Teacher	Junior High	1.0000	Teacher - Junior High	8/27/2007
GILCHRIST, HEATHER M	Teacher	Junior High	1.0000	Teacher - PE	8/27/2007
TRENNERY, NICOLETTE I	Teacher	Ruder	1.0000	Teacher - Early Elem	8/27/2007
GETTS, MARY ELLEN	Teacher	Glacier Gateway	1.0000	Teacher - Early Elem	8/25/2008
OSBORNE, DENISE K	Teacher	Glacier Gateway	1.0000	Teacher - Librarian	8/25/2008
SCHAEFFER, TRISTA L	Teacher	Glacier Gateway	1.0000	Teacher - Early Elem	8/25/2008
PICKARD, MARNA L	Teacher	Junior High	1.0000	Teacher - Counselor	8/25/2008
LADENBURG, CASSIE J	Teacher	Ruder	1.0000	Teacher - Early Elem	8/25/2008

HEINZ, KAMI L	Teacher	Junior High	1.0000	Teacher - Junior High	8/24/2009
RITTER, DAVID S	Teacher	Junior High	1.0000	Teacher - Junior High	8/27/2012
SCHWADERER, JESSICA B	Teacher	Junior High	1.0000	Teacher - Junior High	8/26/2013
LOBBESTAEL, HALEY D	Teacher	Ruder	1.0000	Teacher - Early Elem	8/26/2013
MARTIN, JENNIFER L	Teacher	Glacier Gateway	1.0000	Teacher - Speech Patholog	8/28/2014
DEISTER, ZACHARIAH L	Teacher	Junior High	1.0000	Teacher - Junior High	8/28/2014
SHIELDS, DANA M	Teacher	Ruder	1.0000	Teacher - Math Interventi	8/28/2014
AALDERKS, SANDRA L	Teacher	Glacier Gateway	1.0000	Teacher - Early Elem	8/31/2015
HARRIES, EMILY R	Teacher	Glacier Gateway	1.0000	Teacher - Early Elem	8/31/2015
MILLER, TROY D	Teacher	Glacier Gateway	1.0000	Teacher - Early Elem	8/31/2015
BYRD-RINCK, CECILIA	Teacher	Junior High	1.0000	Teacher - Junior High	8/31/2015
CAUDILL, BENJAMIN T	Teacher	Junior High	1.0000	Teacher - Junior High	8/31/2015
CAUDILL, AMY A	Teacher	Ruder	0.5000	Teacher - Special Ed	8/31/2015
PREISS, JOSHUA P	Teacher	Ruder	1.0000	Teacher - Elem	8/31/2015
QUIRAM, TRISHA J	Teacher	Ruder	1.0000	Teacher - Speech Patholog	8/31/2015
WEAVER, ANDREA D	Teacher	Glacier Gateway	1.0000	Teacher - Early Elem	8/28/2016
JONES, SAMANTHA J	Teacher	Junior High	1.0000	Teacher - Counselor	8/29/2016
QUEEN, KRISTY A	Teacher	Ruder	1.0000	Teacher - kind lang inter	8/29/2016
BUTLER, AERICKA S	Teacher	Glacier Gateway	0.8000	Teacher - Speech Patholog	8/28/2017
DEWS, JANE A	Teacher	Glacier Gateway	1.0000	Teacher - Elem	8/28/2017
GEORGE, ALEXANDRA L	Teacher	Glacier Gateway	1.0000	Teacher - Special Ed	8/28/2017
KOLLMANN, ASHLEY M	Teacher	Glacier Gateway	1.0000	Teacher - Early Elem	8/28/2017
LILIENTHAL, CHARLES A	Teacher	Junior High	1.0000	Teacher - Junior High	8/28/2017
BURNS, MARY C	Teacher	Ruder	1.0000	Teacher - Elem	8/28/2017
HARWOOD, CAMBERIA L	Teacher	Ruder	1.0000	Teacher - Early Elem	8/28/2017
MANSFIELD, AUTUMN R	Teacher	Ruder	1.0000	Teacher - Reading Interv	8/28/2017
NADEAU, ASHLEY M	Teacher	Ruder	1.0000	Teacher - Early Elem	8/28/2017
SWOPE, TRACY A	Teacher	Ruder	1.0000	Teacher - Special Ed	8/28/2017
REAMY BUTTS, ALLYSON T	Teacher	Junior High	1.0000	Teacher - Junior High	8/23/2018
KNOX, SETH L	Teacher	Ruder	1.0000	Teacher - Elem	8/23/2018
MATHESON, CAROL J	Teacher	Ruder	1.0000	Teacher - Early Elem	8/23/2018

Name	Description	DAC	FTE	Primary Job Title	Hire Date
BOWMAN, TROY W	Teacher	High School	1.0000	Teacher - High School	8/27/1996
DEWELL, BEVERLY	Teacher	High School	1.0000	Teacher - High School	8/26/1997
HEINZ, JAMES W	Teacher	High School	1.0000	Teacher - High School	8/31/1998
BROWNE, PETER D	Teacher	High School	1.0000	Teacher - High School	8/31/1999
LOVERING, JENNIFER J	Teacher	High School	1.0000	Teacher - High School	8/31/1999
BATES, REBECCA A	TeacherVoed	High School	1.0000	Teacher - Voed	8/27/2001
FERNANDEZ, ZULMA	Teacher	High School	1.0000	Teacher - High School	8/28/2002
SCHAEFFER, JESSIE A	Teacher	High School	1.0000	Teacher - PE	8/28/2002
CRANDELL, BRIAN F	Teacher	High School	1.0000	Teacher - Counselor	8/25/2003
COLEMAN, WILLIAM F	Teacher	High School	1.0000	Teacher - High School	8/30/2004
HOULE, KELLY J SR	Teacher	High School	1.0000	Teacher - High School	8/30/2004
WHITMAN, JULIA I	Teacher	High School	1.0000	Teacher - Special Ed	8/29/2005
JOLLYMORE, ASHLEY E	Teacher	High School	0.8000	Teacher - Psychologist	8/28/2006
QUINTIA, ERIN A	Teacher	High School	1.0000	Teacher - High School	8/28/2006
ROE, DAWN M	Teacher	High School	1.0000	Teacher - High School	8/28/2006
HANSON, ALIA A	Teacher	High School	1.0000	Teacher - High School	8/25/2008
MARSH, LORI DIANE	Teacher	High School	1.0000	Teacher - Voed	8/25/2008
DANIELS, KATE L	Teacher	High School	1.0000	Teacher - High School	8/24/2009
BATTEE, SUSAN	Teacher	High School	1.0000	Teacher - Special Ed	8/29/2011
STAFFORD, JASNA	Teacher	High School	0.8000	Teacher - Speech Patholog	8/29/2011
SCHWEIKERT, JACKSON	Teacher	High School	1.0000	Teacher - PE	8/27/2012
SCHAEFFER, BENJAMIN J	TeacherVoed	High School	1.0000	Teacher - Voed	8/28/2012
BURNS, PATIENCE R	Teacher	High School	1.0000	Teacher - High School	8/26/2013
FORKE, JOSHUA R	Teacher	High School	1.0000	Teacher - High School	8/31/2015
GRESS, SHELLY A.R.	Teacher	High School	1.0000	Teacher - High School	8/31/2015
HALL, JAKE M	Teacher	High School	1.0000	Teacher - High School	8/31/2015
PEACOCK, JAMES K	Teacher	High School	1.0000	Teacher - High School	8/31/2015
PENDERGAST, LESLIE R	Teacher	High School	1.0000	Teacher - High School	8/31/2015
FINBERG, CHRISTOPHER M	Teacher	High School	1.0000	Teacher - High School	8/29/2016
VESTAL, NIA R	Teacher	High School	1.0000	Teacher - High School	8/29/2016
CHIARITO, BRIDGET ML	Teacher	High School	1.0000	Teacher - High School	8/28/2017
FORKE, SHELBY E	Teacher	High School	1.0000	Teacher - High School	8/28/2017
HACKETHORN, EMILY T	Teacher	High School	1.0000	Teacher - High School	8/28/2017
REMIKER, JEFFREY J	TeacherVoed	High School	1.0000	Teacher - Voed	8/28/2017
MORAN, WILLOW A	Teacher	High School	1.0000	Teacher - High School	8/23/2018
PRICE, JEANETTE J	Teacher	High School	1.0000	Teacher - High School	8/23/2018
RACIOPPI, LINDSEY A	TeacherVoed	High School	1.0000	Teacher - High School	8/23/2018