

Hellgate Elementary Board of Trustees  
Special Meeting May 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2022  
12:00 p.m.

### **OPENING**

The Board of Trustees of Hellgate Elementary School District #4 met in special session on Monday, May 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2022 at 12:00 p.m. The meeting was held in person and also broadcast by virtual video conferencing. The meeting was called to order by Board Chairman, Tom McLaughlin. Trustees in attendance were: Tom McLaughlin, Rod Sharkey, Jack Babon, Rich Thornock, Kate Walker, Lori Christensen, and Diane Beck. Superintendent Doug Reisig and District Clerk Shara Blair were present for the meeting. District staff participating were Molly Blakely, Assistant Superintendent; Brent Heist, Director of Student Services; Kelsey Salmela, Payroll Clerk/District Notary. Tom Cook was present at the meeting as an incoming trustee. There were up to 14 total guests/participants in the meeting by Zoom and in-person.

### **CANVASS OF ELECTION RESULTS**

Five candidates filed for the three seats open for the May 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2022 School Trustee Election. Current trustees and the Election Administrator/District Clerk reviewed and certified the Canvass of Votes and Declaration of Results presented by the Missoula County Elections office declaring Tom Cook, Rod Sharkey and Lori Christensen as the 3 candidates with the highest number of votes. Ms. Kelsey Salmela swore in the three trustees for their three year term.

Superintendent Reisig thanked and recognized outgoing trustee, Jack Babon, for his many years of service to the Hellgate Elementary as a responsible and respected board member. Fellow trustees offered sentiments to Mr. Babon.

### **REORGANIZATION OF THE BOARD – ELECTION OF OFFICERS**

Superintendent Reisig called for nominations for Board Chairman. Lori Christensen nominated Tom McLaughlin. The nomination was seconded by Rich Thornock. There were no other nominations. Mr. McLaughlin was declared elected as Board Chairman.

Superintendent Reisig called for nominations for Board Vice-Chairman. Rich Thornock nominated Kate Walker. The nomination was seconded by Rod Sharkey. There were no other nominations. Ms. Walker was declared elected as Board Vice-Chairman.

A motion was made by Rich Thornock to re-hire Shara Blair as the District Clerk/Business Manager through June 30, 2022. The motion was seconded by Kate Walker. Voting in favor of the motion were: Tom McLaughlin, Rod Sharkey, Rich Thornock, Kate Walker, Lori Christensen, Diane Beck, and Tom Cook. Voting against the motion were none. The motion carried unanimously.

### **PUBLIC COMMENT**

There was no public comment.

### **APPROVE HELLGATE TRANSPORTATION SCHOOL BUS ROUTE MILEAGE**

A motion was made by Rich Thornock to approve the Hellgate Transportation school bus route mileage for the 2022/2023 school year. The motion was seconded by Rod Sharkey. There was discussion on the changes to the miles/routes. Voting in favor of the motion were: Tom McLaughlin, Rod Sharkey, Rich Thornock, Kate Walker, Lori Christensen, Diane Beck, and Tom Cook. Voting against the motion were none. The motion carried unanimously.

**PUBLIC COMMENT:**

There were no comments from the public.

**NEXT MEETING DATE:**

The next regular meeting of the board will be June 13, 2022 at 7:00 p.m.

**ADJOURN**

The meeting was adjourned at 12:10 p.m.

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Tom McLaughlin, Board Chair

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Shara Blair, Business Manager/Clerk