

REGULAR MEETING
BOARD OF TRUSTEES
SCHOOL DISTRICT #6
AUGUST 8, 2022

The Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees of School District Six was held at 6:00 P.M., Monday, August 8, 2022, in the Boardroom of the administration offices at 501 Sixth Avenue West, Columbia Falls, Montana.

PRESENT:

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| Jill Rocksund | Board Chair |
| Dean Chisholm | Vice Chair |
| Justin Cheff | Trustee |
| Keri Hill | Trustee |
| Casey Heupel | Trustee |
| Barbara Riley | Trustee |
| Wayne Jacobsmeyer | Trustee |
| Heather Mumby | Trustee |
| Dave Wick | Superintendent |
| Dustin Zuffelato | Business Manager/Clerk |

Chair Rocksund called the meeting to order at 6:01 P.M.

CALL TO ORDER

Motion by Riley, second by Hill, to approve the agenda with the change of removing an individual from the substitute hiring recommendations.

Motion passed 8-0

APPROVE AGENDA

Motion by Mumby, second by Heupel, to approve the consent agenda as follows:

- Approval of July Bills
- Approval of Investment Reports
- Approval of July minutes

Passed 8-0

APPROVE CONSENT
AGENDA

Public Participation:

No public participation.

PUBLIC
PARTICIPATION:

Reports:

K-8 Facility Bond Project – Owners Representative Dave Jolly provided an update. The Land to Hand Building has been moved to the Junior High.

REPORTS:

Superintendent Dave Wick presented the new and improved District Website.

ACTION/DISCUSSION
ITEMS:

Action/Discussed Items:

Jackola Engineering Representative, Tyler Tonjum, presented the details of the Letter of Engagement, including the scope of work, for the new High School HVAC.

Motion by Chisholm, second by Riley, to approve the Design Agreement with Jackola Engineering.

Passed 8-0

MOTION TO APPROVE
THE DESIGN AGREE-
MENT WITH JACKOLA
ENGINEERING

The Board discussed substitute pay rate changes for the 2022-2023 school year. Vice

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MOTION TO APPROVE
SUBSTITUTE PAY
RATE INCREASE

Chair Chisholm requested more compensation for certified substitutes to recognize their ability to better serve students.

Motion by Riley, second by Mumby, to approve substitute pay rates as presented.
Passed 8-0

Dustin Zuffelato presented the details of the FY 2023 budget. The ending fund balances were presented. The Technology fund balance increased approximately \$150,000 as a result of using federal ESSER and general obligation bond proceeds to replace hardware in fiscal year 2022. The Building Reserve fund balance increased as the school major maintenance account levy was reserved to be used in FY 2023 for the administration building roof project and the High School HVAC project. The Food Service fund balance increased approximately \$300,000 as a result of higher per meal reimbursements from the federal USDA program as well as more meals served as the meals were free for every student based on new federal COVID regulations. Enrollment and ANB for budget lunched back up after taking a dive in 2022 as a result of COVID. Higher enrollment coupled with a 2.57% funding increase from the state provided a larger than normal increase to the General Fund budget authority, specifically 6.38% increase to the Elementary General Fund and 4.05% increase to the High School General Fund. Mr. Zuffelato reviewed the other budgeted funds including transportation, bus depreciation, and the tuition fund. Mr. Zuffelato detailed the staff paid with federal funds including ESSER funds. Mr. Zuffelato reviewed the tax levy as compared to prior years. Mills levied to support the proposed budget decreased 7.83.

MOTION TO ADOPT
RESOLUTION #402

Motion by Riley, second by Mumby, to adopt Resolution #402 – Elementary District Allocation of ending Fund Balance.
Passed 7-0

MOTION TO ADOPT
RESOLUTION #403

Motion by Mumby, second by Heupel, to adopt Resolution #403 – High School District Allocation of ending Fund Balance.
Passed 8-0

MOTION TO ADOPT
FY2023 ELEM DISTRICT
BUDGET

Motion by Riley, second by Cheff, to adopt the FY2023 Elementary District Budget.
Passed 7-0

MOTION TO ADOPT
FY2023 HS DISTRICT
BUDGET

Motion by Riley, second by Jacobsmeyer, to adopt the FY2023 High School District Budget.
Passed 8-0

PERSONNEL:

Personnel:

The Board acknowledged the following resignations previously accepted by the Superintendent: Autum Spann – Glacier Gateway Special Education Paraeducator, Seth Knox – Ruder Third Grade Teacher, Patrick Jones – Junior High School Soccer Coach, Jacki Branstetter – Junior High School Cross Country Coach, Kristian

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Jackola – Crossroads Bus Driver, Amanda Piilola – High School Special Education Paraeducator, Price Richardson – High School Assistant Swim Coach.

Motion by Mumby, second by Hill, to approve the following Elementary District hiring recommendations: Derek Andrews – Junior High School Family and Consumer Science Teacher, Sheridan Wilkes – Ruder .5 Speech Pathologist, Joel Landis – Glacier Gateway Teacher.
Passed 7-0.

MOTION TO APPROVE
ELEM DISTRICT
HIRING
RECOMMENDATIONS

Motion by Riley, second by Heupel, to approve the following High School/District-wide hiring recommendations: Elton Kauffman – Crossroads Bus Driver, Paula Foster – Assistant Special Olympic Coach, Kristian Jackola – Director of Transportation and Facilities, Tracy Toavs – Bus Driver, Jaime Bell – High School English Teacher, Kraig Moore – High School Assistant Boys’ Soccer Coach.
Passed 8-0.

MOTION TO APPROVE
HS/DISTRICT -WIDE
HIRING
RECOMMENDATIONS

Motion by Riley, second by Heupel, to approve the substitute hiring recommendations with the amendment to exclude R.S.
Passed 8-0.

MOTION TO APPROVE
SUBSTITUTE HIRING
RECOMMENDATIONS

Motion by Riley, second by Cheff, to approve the Out-of-State Travel Requests for Michelle Swank to attend the 2022 Northern Plains Law Conference in Bismarck, North Dakota, October 5-7, 2022.
Passed 8-0.

MOTION TO APPROVE
OUT OF STATE TRAVEL
REQUESTS

The Board discussed the Superintendent contract. As the individual’s right to privacy exceeds the public’s right to know, Chair Rocksund call the meeting into executive session at 7:42 P.M.
Open meeting resumed at 8:05 P.M.

EXECUTIVE
SESSION:

Miscellaneous and Future Planning:

- Special Meeting to review early enrollment request – August 11, 2022 – 5:00 P.M.
- District Breakfast – August 23, 2022 – 8:00 A.M.
- Long Range Planning Committee Meeting – September 1, 2022 – 5:30 P.M.
- Regular Board Meeting – September 12, 2022 – 6:00 P.M.


MISC/FUTURE
PLANNING

As there was no further business to come before the Board, Chair Rocksund adjourned the meeting at 8:09 p.m.

MEETING
ADJOURNED



Board Chair



Business Manager/Clerk