

MINUTES OF BOARD OF EDUCATION

**REGULAR SCHOOL BOARD MEETING
SHIELDS VALLEY ELEMENTARY MULTI PURPOSE ROOM
6:30 P.M., WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 08, 2023**

MEMBERS PRESENT:

**CLEVE SWANDAL, BOARD CHAIRPERSON
REX TERNAN, BOARD VICE CHAIRPERSON
NICK JERKE
JON CROSTON
DANNY JOHNSTON, SUPERINTENDENT
GREG SAGER, JH/HS PRINCIPAL
RHONDA LAHAYE, DISTRICT CLERK**

MEMBERS ABSENT: Graham Gilmour

ATTENDANCE

The regular school board meeting of the Board of Trustees convened at 6:30 p.m. Wednesday, February 8, 2023 in the Shields Valley Elementary Multi-Purpose Room in Wilsall with four trustees present. Superintendent Danny Johnston, Board Chairperson Cleve Swandal, Board Vice-Chairperson Rex Ternan, Nick Jerke, Jon Croston, JH/HS Principal Greg Sager, and Clerk Rhonda Lahaye were present the entire public meeting.

WELCOME THE PUBLIC

There were 3 visitors present.

CONSENT AGENDA

The action items on the consent agenda were approved, including item 1) Jan. minutes and 2) warrant approvals, payroll warrants #29509 through #29530 and claims warrants #65722 through #65782, current expenditure report and athletic/activity expenditure report.

The Board made a motion to approve the consent agenda as presented.

Motion: Jon Croston

Seconded: Rex Ternan

Vote: Unanimous

CORRESPONDENCE

The FFA Chapter Reporter submitted a report of the FFA monthly events, etc.

**DISCUSSION AND
REPORTS**

District Clerk Rhonda Lahaye presented the Spring ANB count for FY2023 to the Board for review, informational only.

**SUPERINTENDENT
REPORT**

Mr. Johnston gave a report to the Board including Theresa Watts being selected for General Education Teacher of the Year, February I love to read month, REC days, observations, bus route cancellations due to sub-zero temperatures, district deviations, and a negotiations clinic in Helena.

**JH/HS PRINCIPAL
REPORT**

Mr. Sager presented the JH/HS Principal Report including current enrollment numbers, student achievement, student support programs, JH/HS testing dates, MHSA updates and District tournament schedules, please see attached formal reports.

MAINTENANCE

REPORT

There is a maintenance update and report included in the Board packet.

**TEACHERS
REPORT**

Lacey Arthun was the teacher rep and presented the teachers reports. Please see formal reports attached.

**PUBLIC PARTICIPATION
NON-AGENDA ITEMS**

Billi Taylor represented a parent group and voiced concerns that they had about the school.

**ACTION ITEMS -
SINGULAR**

Consider Concepts Options for Shields Valley Elementary
Cushing and Terrell joined the meeting via teleconference with a couple more concept options for the school building project. The Board reviewed and discussed the options and decided to table any more decisions until the March meeting.

Transportation Claims Reimbursement – 1st Semester
Nick Jerke made a motion to approve the transportation claims for reimbursement for the 1st semester, Jon Croston seconded the motion, vote unanimous.

Consideration of Resolution to Call Elections
Rex Ternan made a motion to call for an election, election day will be May 9th, 2023, the purpose of the election is to elect two (2) trustees for a three year term, the election will be held by mail, and there could also be additional levies to operate and maintain the general funds for FY 2024, Nick Jerke seconded the motion, vote unanimous.

PERSONNEL

Consider Head High School Track Coach – Zach Sutton
Jon Croston made a motion to approve a contract for Zach Sutton for SY 2022-2023, Rex Ternan seconded the motion, vote unanimous.

Consider Assistant High School Track Coach – Kristin Long
Rex Ternan made a motion to approve a contract for Kristin Long for SY 2022-2023, Jon Croston seconded the motion, vote unanimous.

Consider Junior High School Track Coach – Rachelle Swandal
Rex Ternan made a motion to approve a contract for Rachelle Swandal for SY 2022-2023, Nick Jerke seconded the motion, vote passed 3 for and 0 against, Cleve Swandal abstained from voting.

Consider Junior High School Track Coach – Tess Thomas
Jon Croston made a motion to approve a contract for Tess Thomas for SY 2022-2023, Nick Jerke seconded the motion, vote unanimous.

Consider Elementary SPED teacher for 2023-2024 – Delaney Galloup
Rex Ternan made a motion to approve a contract for Delaney Galloup for SY 2023-2024, Jon Croston seconded the motion, vote unanimous.

**DISCUSSION AND
REPORTS**

There was discussion on the heating situation for the Elementary School. Mr. Johnston noted that not much has changed. We were waiting for a bid from Total Electric but they want more perimeters before they will bid the job. Mr.

Johnston was going to contact engineers for prices and bring information back to the next meeting.

School Board Elections, we have 2 positions up for re-election, Cleve Swandal and Rex Ternan. Deadline to apply to run for the election is March 23, 2023.

ADJOURNMENT

The next regular meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, March 8th, 2023 at the Wilsall Elementary Multi-Purpose Room at 6:30 pm.

2/09/2023

Date

Rhonda Lahaye

District Clerk

Board Chairperson