

MINUTES OF BOARD OF EDUCATION

**REGULAR SCHOOL BOARD MEETING
SHIELDS VALLEY ELEMENTARY MULTI-PURPOSE ROOM
7:00 P.M., WEDNESDAY, APRIL 12, 2023**

MEMBERS PRESENT:

**CLEVE SWANDAL, BOARD CHAIRPERSON
REX TERNAN, BOARD VICE CHAIRPERSON
NICK JERKE
GRAHAM GILMOUR
JON CROSTON
DANNY JOHNSTON, SUPERINTENDENT
RHONDA LAHAYE, DISTRICT CLERK**

MEMBERS ABSENT: None

ATTENDANCE

The regular school board meeting of the Board of Trustees convened at 7:00 p.m. Wednesday, April 12, 2023 in the Shields Valley Elementary Multi-Purpose in Wilsall with five trustees present. Superintendent Danny Johnston, Board Chairperson Cleve Swandal, Board Vice-Chairperson Rex Ternan, Nick Jerke, Graham Gilmour, Jon Croston, and Clerk Rhonda Lahaye were present the entire public meeting.

WELCOME THE PUBLIC

There were seven visitors present.

CONSENT AGENDA

The action items on the consent agenda were approved, including item 1) Mar. minutes and 2) warrant approvals, payroll warrants #29557 through #29578 3) claims warrants #65827 through #65878 4) clerk expenditure report 5) 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

MHSA Notification Letter
FY2023 Accreditation Status Report and Certificates
Additional Targeted Support and Improvement (ATSI)
Letter of Resignation

**DISCUSSION AND
REPORTS**

**SUPERINTENDENT
REPORT**

Mr. Johnston gave a report to the Board including staff openings, building project, negotiations, accreditation, additional targeted support and improvements, K-1 swimming, PCRS 360 wellness day, MTSS, track and football field lights.

JH/HS PRINCIPAL

REPORT

Mr. Sager presented information on PT conferences, drivers education, FFA, BPA, spring band and choir concert, senior trip, teacher appreciation week, 6th grade orientation, JH/HS academic and athletic winter/spring awards.

**MAINTENANCE
REPORT**

Mitch Marx included a maintenance report for your review.

**TEACHERS
REPORT**

Shannon Baukol presented the teachers reports.

**PUBLIC PARTICIPATION
NON-AGENDA ITEMS**

Kelsi Fisher read her letter of resignation to the Board.

**ACTION ITEMS -
SINGULAR**

Consider Approval of the 2023-2024 Collective Bargaining Agreement

Jon Croston stated that the negotiation process went very well. This year it will be a 1 year agreement. Jon Croston made a motion to approve the negotiated CBA for one year, Graham Gilmour seconded the motion, vote unanimous.

Consider Approval of Classified Employee Salary Schedule

Rex Ternan made a motion to approve the classified salary matrix with an increase of 4%, Nick Jerke seconded the motion, vote unanimous

Consider Recommendation to hire Elementary Teacher FY23-24 - Kyleen Olson

Nick Jerke made a motion to hire Kyleen Olson as an Elementary teacher for FY2023-24, Jon Croston seconded the motion, vote unanimous

Consider recommendation to hire K-12 Art teacher for FY2023-24

No applicants to date

Consider Certified Staff Tenure Contracts

Rex Ternan made a motion to approve the certified staff tenure contracts including:

- Lacey Arthun
- Dale Dominick
- Jacob Fisher
- Tom Gauthier
- Ken Huff
- Kristin Long
- Mark Mills
- JR Pierce
- Jeni Sager
- Lori Sarrazin
- Courtney Vaughan

Graham Gilmour seconded the motion, vote unanimous

Consider certified non-tenure contracts

Graham Gilmour made a motion to approve the certified non-tenure contracts including:

- Shannon Baukol
- Debra Johnston
- Amanda Johnstone
- Zachary Sutton
- Theresa Watts

Nick Jerke seconded the motion, vote unanimous

Consider Principal/Athletic Director Contract for Greg Sager

Rex Ternan made a motion to offer a contract to Mr. Sager for JH/HS principal/Athletic Director with the 4% increase, Jon Croston seconded the motion, vote unanimous.

Consider Classified Staff Contracts

Jon Croston made a motion to approve the classified staff contracts including:

- Scott Armstrong
- Anita Crane
- Joan Daniel
- Tami Keefer
- Sandra Kerby
- Anne Martell
- Mitchell Marx
- Cayla Parks
- Julie Ward

Graham Gilmour seconded the motion, vote unanimous

**POLICY ITEMS –
FIRST READINGS**

Consider the termination of the 9000 series policies

Rex Ternan made a motion to terminate the 9000 series policies as they are no longer needed, Nick Jerke seconded the motion, vote unanimous.

**DISCUSSION AND
REPORTS**

Discussion on the Elementary School Boiler – on-going, no new developments

Discussion and consideration of the Elementary and High School Building Project Timeline

Mr. Johnston spoke with Lewistown and Three Forks about their current building projects and got information from them. The next step is to engage an Owners Representative to help with the process. Rex and Jon both stated they would like to have Mr. Johnston schedule some tours of other schools, maybe Red Lodge, Columbus and Three Forks.

Discussion on Rebel Bus - ongoing

School Board Elections – Will be held May 2nd, 2023.

**DISCUSSION ITEMS
NOT ON AGENDA**

Practice lock down drills

JH/HS Special Education Teacher
Board members visit the schools

ADJOURNMENT

The next regular meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, May 10th, 2023 at the Wilsall Elementary Multi Purpose Room at 7:00 p.m.

4/13/2023

Date

Rhonda Lahaye

District Clerk

Board Chairperson