

BOARD OF TRUSTEES
MINUTES OF THE MEETING
March 11, 2024, 6:00 P.M. Board Room

A regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of Thompson Falls School District #2 was called to order by Chairman Sandra Muster at 6:00 P.M.

The Pledge of allegiance was recited by all.

Roll Call was done; Trustees, Ryan Fields, Jeneese Baxter, Jake Helvey, Sandra Muster, Ramona Jacobson, Superintendent Bud Scully, District Clerk Stacy Milner. Visitors present are listed on the attached list.

The Board chair made an adjustment to the order of Agenda.

Rob Christensen introduced Kayleigh Brown and Kelly Haugen from RBHI. Ms. Brown shared the scope of work that they provide to school districts for mental health for students. This is a suicide prevention program provided to schools free of charge. The Board of Trustees asked questions about how the program worked and what help was available to students in need. Superintendent Scully thanked them for their time and will add this to the April agenda for Board approval.

Eric Nygaard presented for the soccer committee. Mr. Nygaard gave a brief history and statistics of participation. Mr. Nygaard confirmed the committee has generated \$15,000.00 of fundraising for start-up for the program and is asking Thompson Falls School to Co-op with Plains School to become MHSAA approved as a sanctioned high school sport. Trustee Fields asked if Noxon could be included, the response was yes. Trustee Helvey asked what class they would compete in, Class A. Trustee Jacobson asked about how much improvement for the fields would be necessary and who would be responsible, the City of Thompson Falls and Thompson Falls School share responsibilities. Discussion was held about pulling athletes away from existing sports and competitive level.

Jeneese Baxter motioned to approve soccer, based on donations being provided to cover the costs for boys' and girls' soccer. Ryan Fields second. Jake Helvey opposed, Jeneese Baxter, Ramona Jacobson, Ryan Fields and Sandra Muster voted in favor. The motion passed.

Public Input

Ellen Childress wanted to thank everyone she worked with on the soccer committee.

Reports

Superintendent Scully reported to the Board that he is still working on getting the building finished up. The contractors are supposed to be here to finish the floor this week. The ventilation system has been delivered and we are waiting for an engineer to get started on the installation. Joshua Schmidt has his Master Electrician license and will do the wiring for us.

Jodi Morgan reported on the high school. (see attachment).

Jake Mickelson reported on athletics. Spring sports have begun with good numbers.

Jeneese Baxter motioned to approve the consent agenda:

- a. Approve minutes from February 05, 2024, regular meeting. (Exhibit 5a.)
- b. Approve financial report, expenditures, and payment of bills. (Exhibit 5b.)
- c. Accept Samantha Varner's resignation and thank her for her service to the district.
- d. Accept Ray Brown's resignation and thank him for his service to the district.

- e. Accept resolution of intent to levy permissive levies notice for 2024-2025. (Exhibit 5e.)
- f. Approve hiring of Robert Schalk as the driver's education teacher.
- g. Approve hiring Haley Johnson as a substitute.
- h. Approve high school softball out of state travel to Sandpoint, Idaho.
- i. Approve high school band/choir trip to Athol, Idaho, Silverwood.
- j. Approve hiring Amber Denson and Lilly Buchanan as paraprofessionals. (Exhibit 5j.)
- k. Approve 8th graders to play high school golf and softball.

Ramona Jacobson second. The vote was unanimous.

Old Business

Jase Miller provided a slideshow on information on a 4-day school week.

Discussion was held on the pros and cons of a new calendar.

The Board of Trustees asked the calendar committee to provide a 5-day week, a 4-day week and a hybrid week calendar by the next board meeting.

New Business

Jake Helvey motioned the renewal of tenured teachers for the 2024-2025 school year. (Exhibit 8.)

Jeneese Baxter second. The vote was unanimous.

Jeneese Baxter motioned the renewal of non-tenured teachers for 2024-2025 school year. (Exhibit 9.)

Jake Helvey second. The vote was unanimous.

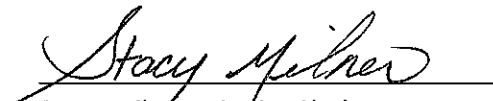
Ryan Fields motioned the Renewal of High School Principal Jodi Morgan and Elementary Principal Len Dorscher. Ramona Jacobson second. The vote was unanimous.

Next regular meeting will be April 08, 2024, 6:00 P.M.

Adjourned at 8:03 P.M.

Respectfully Submitted,

Approved on 04-17-2024


Stacy Milner, District Clerk


Sandra Muster, Board Chairman