

1                                   **MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES**  
2   **HELD FEBRUARY 15, 2024**  
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4 A duly called Meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Great Falls Public Schools was  
5 held at the District Offices Building, 1100 4<sup>th</sup> Street South, on the 15<sup>th</sup> day of February  
6 2024, for Superintendent Candidate Interviews.  
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8 **ROLL CALL:** Brian Patrick took roll call.  
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10 **Trustees Present:** Gordon Johnson, Chairperson  
11                                   Kim Skornogoski, Vice Chairperson  
12                                   Bill Bronson  
13                                   Mark Finnicum  
14                                   Marlee Sunchild  
15                                   Amie Thompson  
16                                   Paige Turoski  
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18 **Others Present:** Brian Patrick, Director of Business Operations; Tom Hering, Director  
19 of Information Technology, and Luke Diekhans, Director of Human Resources.  
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21 Also present were Tom Cabbage, Great Falls Education Association (GFEA) President  
22 and Andrew Vigeland, Montana School Boards Association (MTSBA) was participating  
23 via Zoom conference.  
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25 At 5:00 pm, Chairperson Johnson called to order the Meeting of the Board of Trustees  
26 and asked Trustee Thompson to lead the Pledge of Allegiance.  
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28 Chairperson Johnson explained there were thirteen questions for each candidate. He  
29 explained to fellow Board members and the Public that no action will be taken at this  
30 meeting. A Special Board Meeting will be held Tuesday, February 20, 2024, at which  
31 time the Board will take public comment on the finalists. The Board will discuss the  
32 candidate interviews and additional information gathered during the Superintendent  
33 search process.  
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35 At 5:02 p.m., Heather Hoyer began her interview. At the conclusion of the prepared  
36 interview questions at 5:42 p.m., Chairperson Johnson closed the session to review  
37 background check information provided by MTSBA. The open session reconvened at  
38 6:06 p.m. and the closed session minutes were approved on a motion by Trustee  
39 Bronson and seconded by Trustee Turoski. The first candidate interview concluded at  
40 6:10 p.m.  
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42 The Board took a break at 6:10 p.m. and resumed the meeting at 6:16 p.m.  
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44 At 6:17 p.m., Steven Mayhue began his interview. At the conclusion of the prepared  
45 interview questions at 7:00 p.m., Chairperson Johnson closed the session to review  
46 background check information provided by MTSBA. The open session reconvened at  
47 7:15 p.m. and closed session minutes were approved on a motion by Trustee Bronson  
48 and seconded by Trustee Thompson. The second candidate interview concluded at

1 7:18 p.m.

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Gordon Johnson, Chairperson

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Brian Patrick, Clerk

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