

BOARD OF TRUSTEES
MINUTES OF THE MEETING
SPECIAL MEETING
March 21, 2023, 6:00 P.M. Board Room

A special 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 Frields, Jeneese Baxter, Jake Helvey, Sandra Muster, Ramona Jacobson, Superintendent Bud Scully, District Clerk Stacy Milner. Visitors present are listed on the attached list.

Public Input-Pat Crowder thanked Sierra Lilly for answering questions about the ELA curriculum and stated that Lindsey Franklin did an excellent job presenting.

Superintendent Scully explained the process of changing a school district calendar to a four-day week or a modified schedule. This is the second step in the process for public input.

Chairman Sandra Muster opened the floor for public comment on the 4-day week:

Becky Beckman, Darcy Farlan, Rebecka Sawyer, Katrina Nygaard spoke for a 4-day week. Stating reasons of: saving money, moral improvement, attendance, substitute crisis, retention of staff, better para coverage, lessen the staff burnout.

Andy Burwig, Steven Davis, Raoul Riberio, Jake Susic, Morgan Leaf, Krystal Park, Lindsey Franklin, Charlene Riberio, Heidi Helvey, Lynette Elliott, Britney Whittenburg, Penny Hopkins, Lisa Ruen, and Jill Fairbanks spoke against a 4-day week. Stating the reasons of: crime increase, food insecurity, no childcare, abuse, mental health, test scores dropping, safe space not available, loss of instruction, loss of social interaction, loss of hours for staff.

Mathew Toyias stated he did not have a preference, but concerned for staff and kids.

Rob Christensen, Pat Crowder gave information on research of the 4-day week they had done.

Sherri Sienia voiced concerns about the staff.

Kaela Burgess stated she feels the staff is very supported.

The trustees had a discussion of the pros and cons of the 4-day week.

Ryan Frields motioned to table the 4-day week and revisit at a later time. Jake Helvey second. The vote was unanimous.

The next regular Board meeting will be April 03, 2023, 6:00 P.M.

Adjourned at 7:42 P.M.

Respectfully Submitted,

Approved on 04-03-2023


Stacy Milner, District Clerk


Sandra Muster, Board Chairman