

**REGULAR MEETING, SEPTEMBER 12, 2017**

The trustees of Manhattan School District No. 3, high school and elementary districts, met in regular session, September 12, 2017, at 7:30 p.m. in the High School Activities Room. Chairman Brownell called the meeting to order at 7:40 p.m.

Members Present: Rob Brownell, Dennis Grue, Brand Robinson, Mike Swan, Kelly Duncan, and Ethan Severson.

Superintendent Scott Chauvet, Principals Scott Schumacher and Neil Harvey, and Clerk Ann Heisler were present throughout the entire proceedings. Guests attending the meeting are on the list attached to these Minutes and made a part hereof.

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Vice-Chairman Dennis Grue led the Pledge of Allegiance.

**RECOGNITION OF GUESTS**

Chairman Brownell recognized the visitors in attendance. The new elementary teachers Kate Davis, Lauren Hausauer, and Amanda Swenson, were introduced to the Board.

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

Chairman Brownell read the public comment statement, and asked for public comment on any non-agenda items. Dave Hebner invited the Board and community members to purchase raffle tickets for a playhouse; all proceeds will benefit the Manhattan Public Schools Foundation. The drawing will be held at the homecoming football game on September 22.

**CONSENT AGENDA:**

The Board agreed to pull the Volunteer Sports Conditioning/training coaches from the consent agenda which included the following coaches: Billy McClenahan, Chase Hoyer, Courtney Krause, and Joel Bos. The Board would like to form a committee to look at these positions and establish any necessary parameters, which may also need a policy change.

Dennis Grue made a motion to approve the following items on the Consent Agenda: Board Minutes – Regular August 15, 2017; the current Substitute Teacher list for the 2017-2018 school year; Employment contracts, pending a successful fingerprint background check and pre-employment physical if required, for the 2017-2018 school year as follows: Patricia Drinville – Elementary teacher’s aide, Laura Lee Harvey – Elementary teacher’s aide, Donna Cantalupo – JH Assistant Volleyball coach, and Ty Mogan – Volunteer Cross Country coach. The motion was seconded by Mike Swan and it carried unanimously.

**BOARD ACTION ITEMS:**

**FACILITIES BUILDING UPDATE**

Karen Hedglin gave the Board an update on our building project. Construction continues to be on schedule. Trustee Severson made a special request for one gym to be open next summer, if at all possible, for our students to use. Karen made a note of the request and will see how it goes. The Monthly Bond Project Report is attached to these Minutes and made a part hereof.

**BOARD POLICIES – 3<sup>RD</sup> READING**

The Board held a 3<sup>rd</sup> Reading on the following policies:

REVISED Policies – Required: Policy 2333, Policy 3110, Policy 3121, Policy 3125 & 3125F, Policy 3210, Policy 5120, Policy 5420; Recommended: Policy 1531, Policy 3300, Policy 4210, Policy 4330F, Policy 5010, and Policy 8100; Optional: Policy 3413F1, Policy 3413F2;

DELETED Policies – Policy 4600;  
NEW Policies – Policy 2150, Policy 5220, Policy 5420F.

After discussion, Ethan Severson moved to approve the Required Policies 2333, 3110, 3121, 3125, 3125F, 3210, 5120, 5420, as presented. Kelly Duncan seconded the motion, and it carried with no dissenting votes.

Brand Robinson moved to approve the Recommended and Optional Policies 1531, 3300, 4210, 4330F, 5010, 8100, 3413F1, 3413F2. Dennis Grue seconded the motion, and it carried with no dissenting votes.

Mike Swan moved to approve the Deleted Policy 4600. Brand Robinson seconded the motion, and it carried with no dissenting votes.

Mike Swan moved to approve the New Policies 2150, 5220, 5420F. Dennis Grue seconded the motion, and it carried with no dissenting votes.

The Policies approved are attached to these Minutes and made a part hereof.

**BOARD INFORMATION ITEMS:  
BOARD POLICIES – 1<sup>st</sup> READING**

The Board held a 1<sup>st</sup> Reading on the following policies:

REVISED Policies – Required: Policy 1005FE, Policy 1006FE, Policy 1009FE, Policy 3224, Policy 3416, Policy 5122F;

NEW Policies – Policy 1014FE, Policy 1014FE-F1, Policy 3124, Policy 4350.

**PRINCIPALS' REPORT**

Principals Scott Schumacher and Neil Harvey updated the Board on recent and upcoming events in each of their schools, as well as the projects they have been working on.

Current enrollment numbers are 445 students in Grades K-8, which includes 324 in K-6 and 121 in 7-8; and 256 students in Grades 9-12.

**SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT**

Superintendent Chauvet gave a report to the Board on the following topics:

1. MASBO has asked the school to do a presentation on our building project for their upcoming school facilities workshop in Bozeman on Friday, September 15.
2. The school district is looking at the possibility of going with an insurance broker for our health insurance to give us more flexibility and options when our MUST renewal rates are received each year. The broker will meet with our insurance committee, who will then decide if the school should go in this direction.
3. Several large purchases are being considered to be paid out of Multi-district funds. The trustees received a list of the tentative purchases and any questions or concerns should be directed to the Superintendent. Trustees expressed concerns about purchasing a shop storage shed that will add a standalone building to school property and questioned how that fits into the bigger school facilities plan. The building committee will review the shop storage issues and come up with a plan.
4. The school district is watching closely the tentative 10% budget cuts at OPI and how this will affect our school district.
5. MCEL (Montana Conference of Education Leadership) will be held in Billings, MT. on October 18-20. Trustees were encouraged to attend this conference.

**CLAIMS**

Vouchered claims for the month of September, 2017, were examined and approved for payment.

No further business appearing before the Board, Chairman Brownell adjourned the meeting at 9:05 p.m.

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Robert Brownell, Chairman

ATTEST: \_\_\_\_\_  
Ann Heisler, District Clerk

**Board Approved October 10, 2017**