

AGENDA
Board of Trustees
Columbia Falls School District Six
Regular Board Meeting
Monday, August 12, 2024
6:00 p.m.
School District Six Board Room

1. **Call to Order**
2. **Pledge to the Flag**
3. **Approval of Agenda**
4. **Consent Agenda**
 - a. Approval of board meeting minutes – Pgs. 1-20
 - b. Approval of July bills
 - c. Approval of Investment Reports
 - d. Approval of the 2024-25 Out of District Student Recommendations – Pg. 21
5. **Public Participation**
6. **Reports**
 - MTSBA Update – Barb Riley
 - Clerk / Business Manager – Pgs.
 - Superintendent – Cory Dziowgo
 - Board Chair
7. **Action/Discussion Items:**
 - a. Consideration of the apportionment of ending fund balance June 30, 2024
 - Elementary District
 - High School District
 - b. Adoption of the 2024-25 school year budget
 - Elementary District
 - High School District
8. **Personnel**
 - a. **The superintendent has accepted the following resignations:**

Nancy Underdahl	Special Education Para – Ruder – end of SY 23-24
Tysen Rovig	JH Football Coach– end of SY 23-24
Mary Garate	JH Building Secretary
Wendy Weaver	Payroll Administrator – Business Office – August 23, 2024
Michael Hader	HS Assistant Wrestling Coach – end of SY 23-24
Jessica Moultray	HS Learning Strategies Para – end of SY 23-24
 - b. **Consideration of the following hiring recommendations:**

Kayla Davis-Nelson	Hot Lunch Helper/Floater
Tabatha Roth	Hot Lunch Helper/Floater
Nancy Underdahl	Special Services Secretary
Mary Garate	Data Specialist / Registrar
Kirsten Condit	Food Service Helper/Floater

c. Consideration the following Summer Hires

Bryan McGrath Summer Weight Room Supervisor

d. Consideration of the elementary curriculum stipends for SY 24-25 as attached: - Pg. 22

e. Consideration of the HS and district-wide curriculum stipends for SY 24-25 as attached: - Pg. 22

f. Executive Session:

- Student 25-164 - review of out-of-district enrollment request

a. Board Re-Convenes:

- Approve Executive Session minutes
- Consideration of out-of-district enrollment for student 25-164 for SY 24-25

9. Board Hearing Regarding Grievance Appeal

10. Miscellaneous and Future Planning:

Health Insurance Committee – August 28, 2024 – 4:00 PM

Schedule Finance Committee Meeting

Schedule possible Special Meeting for the last week in August

Staff Breakfast – August 28, 2024 – 8:00 AM

11. Adjournment

**The next Regular Board Meeting will be held at 6:00 p.m.,
Monday, September 9, 2024, in the School District Six Board Room**

REGULAR BOARD MEETING
BOARD OF TRUSTEES
SCHOOL DISTRICT #6
MAY 13, 2024

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The Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees of School District Six was held at 6:00 P.M., Monday, May 13, 2024, in the Boardroom of the administration offices at 501 Sixth Avenue West, Columbia Falls, Montana.

PRESENT

Jill Rocksund Board Chair Via Google Meets
Barbara Riley Vice Chair
Justin Cheff Trustee Via Google Meets
Keri Hill Trustee
Heather Mumby Trustee
Casey Heupel Trustee
Cory Dziowgo Superintendent of Schools
Dustin Zuffelato Business Manager/Clerk

ABSENT:

Megan Upton Trustee
Wayne Jacobsmeyer Trustee

Vice Chair Riley called the meeting to order at 6:11 P.M.

CALL TO ORDER

Motion by Heupel , second by Mumby, to approve the agenda as presented.
Public comment was requested and there was none.
Passed 6-0.

APPROVE AGENDA

Motion by Mumby, second by Hill, to approve the consent agenda as follows:
Approve March board meeting minutes.
Approve April bills.
Approve the investment report.
Approve the 2024-2025 Out-of-District Student Recommendations.
Public comment was requested and there was none.
Passed 6-0.

APPROVE CONSENT
AGENDA

Public Participation:

Approximately five (5) people participated in the meeting remotely via Google Meets.
Approximately twenty-six (26) people attended the meeting in person.

PUBLIC
PARTICIPATION:

Advanced Studies student Bernadette Korytko shared her presentation of "Dress Code Targeting Female Students". This was a Capstone project to share with a "real world" audience.

Advanced Studies students Eloisa Middlesworth and Ella Robbins shared a project on getting non-perishable food to students in the event of bad weather. Both students attended a conference in Missoula and received \$325, plus a grant was for approximately \$650.

Judy Territo, from 935 Trumble Canyon Road, mentioned how great the levy passing for the roof was, but wanted to remind board member to please consider the taxpayer before voting for wants versus needs.

Staff Professional Development Presentation:

Glacier Gateway Teachers Callie Moore and Patricia Hall reported on their second time of attending the Get Your Teach On professional development conference last January in Las Vegas. They had board members play a game of "Crack the Code".

Junior High Teacher Leslie DiMaio was a presenter and participant at the NCTE Conference for Elementary Teachers. Ms. DiMaio applied for a grant from the Book Love Foundation, and both her and Nia Vestal received \$2,000 each for books in the classrooms.

High School Teachers Jaime' Bell and Willow Moran hared their experience from attending the NCTE Conference for High School Teachers. They were able to share information regarding the trip to Ohio conversing with English Teachers from all over the country and with many authors. Both teachers got to attend a lecture from the author Angie Thomas who wrote the popular book "The Hate You Give". They also received many books for the school library.

REPORTS:

Written Reports:

The Elementary School Principals provided the Board with written reports.

High School Principal, Jon Konen, provided the Board with a written report.

Special Services Director, Michelle Swank, provided the Board with a written report.

Curriculum Director, Mark McCord, provided the Board with a written report.

Committees provided the Board with written reports.

Verbal Reports:

Trustee Barbara Riley informed the Board with the recent proceedings of the Consortium of State School Board Associations (COSSBA) and the Montana School Board Association (MTSBA). The committee has not met since the last board meeting, but have a meeting coming up June 5-7, 2024, in Helena. Trainings will be offered for new board members. The state Health Insurance Interim Board has been meeting and working on a chair person and vice chair. There are sixteen members on the board with a cross section of individuals staying together for 16-18 months.

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District Business Manager/Clerk provided the Board with a written report. He was encouraged by the election results and the communities desire to continue the School District facility projects. The June meeting will have more information regarding the financing associated with the Roof Replacement Project. There is an election result protest period of sixty days and the District will have loan resolutions in the June meeting. The District should be able to pay the initial progress invoices using ESSER Funds. Mr. Zuffelato noted that the District has been working to understand the details concerning the old Glacier Gateway building being leased to groups like the Boys and Girls Club. Convenances were not recorded during the closing of the building but were agreed to between the District and the Ruis, LLC – the new property owner.

Superintendent Cory Dziowgo asked “what does September look like? Mr. Konen has been communicating with staff on what to do for each classroom. Thursday’s Administrator meeting was to discuss the budget deficit for next year in the wake of the unsuccessful Elementary District levy. We have the opportunity to decrease para-professional positions that were never filled. No employee’s will be RIF’d and we will not be replacing 4.0 certified FTEs as well as a nurse; operating with three and one health aide. The District has a good plan on other changes to be made, but still has work to do. The Superintendent will communicate with everyone in due time.

Board Chair Jill Rocksund had nothing else to report at this time.

Action/Discussed Items:

High School Teacher Willow Moran spoke of a proposal for students to have an opportunity to tour Ireland and England in the Spring of 2026. The dates are flexible at this time and planning to go over spring break. The goal is the make this tour accessible to all students through donations and fundraising with no financial support from the District. Motions by Mumby, second by Heupel, to approve the work moving forward to get a tour of Ireland and England together in the spring of 2026.

Public comment was requested and there was none.

Passed 6-0.

Logan Health School Based Mental Health Services presentation was conducted by John Brandon. The CSCT Program has been supported by our District going on the last twenty years. The Program switched to the model of out-patient therapy in 2022 in the wake of the 2021 legislative session. The program is now able to accept private insurances, which could not be done before. There is a need to do more mental health screenings with the physicals in athletes, and to expand an out-reach program staffed with licensed therapists. Logan Health has served approximately 129 students from July 2023 to present. The new program is ready to take referrals from staff, parents, and clinics with funding through Medicaid, CHIPS, private insurances and is parent regulated. Average length of time staying in the program is six months. CSCT in the past was two years. With the new model they can do a lot more in a shorter period of time. It is flex-

ACTION /
DISCUSSION ITEMS

MOTION TO APPROVE
MOVING FORWARD
WITH STUDENT TOUR
OF IRELAND AND
ENGLAND IN 2026

CSCT PROGRAM
UPDATE

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ible with what the kids need and has more parent participation. The District's obligation is nothing.

MOTION TO APPROVE CHANGES TO POLICY #1420 - FINAL READING

The Board considered policy changes recommended by the Policy Committee. Motion by Mumby, second by Hill, to approve the recommended changes to Policy #1420 – School Board Meeting Procedures – Second of two readings. Public comment was requested and there was none. Passed 6-0.

MOTION TO APPROVE MQEC MEMBERSHIP FOR SY 2024-2025

Motion by Heupel, second by Cheff, to approve MQEC membership for School Year 2024-2025. Public comment was requested and Community Member Judy Territo disagrees with the program and would like the Board to vote no. Passed 6-0.

MOTION TO APPROVE HS ROOF REPLACEMENT PROJECT WITH SWANK ENTERPRISES

Motion by Mumby, second by Hill, to approve the high school roof replacement contract with Swank Enterprises. Public comment was requested and there was none. Passed 6-0.

MOTION TO APPROVE PARTICIPATION IN THE COMMUNITY ELIGIBILITY PROVISION PROGRAM

Motion by Mumby, second by Heupel, to approve participation in the Community Eligibility Provision program. Public comment was requested and there was none. Passed 6-0.

MOTION TO APPROVE RENEWAL WITH INTERQUEST DETECTION CANINES FOR SY 24-25

Motion by Mumby, second by Hill, to approve the agreement renewal with Interquest Detection Canines for School Year 2024-2025. Public comment was requested and there was none. Passed 6-0.

MOTION TO APPROVE INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT WITH FLATHEAD CROSSROADS FOR SY 24-24

Motion by Mumby, second by Cheff, to approve the Flathead Crossroads Interlocal Agreement for School Year 2024-2025. Public comment was requested and it was brought up that the program currently serves six students. Passed 6-0.

THE BOARD AGREED TO INSURE CANYON ELEMENTARY AT FULL REPLACEMENT VALUE FOR 2025

The Board considered reducing the insured property value associated with the Canyon Elementary. The building is not used as a school and if it were destroyed, the District may not replace it. The District could reduce insurance premium by limiting the replacement value. Board consensus was to continue to insure at the full replacement value for 2025.

MOTION TO APPROVE INDEPENDENT CONTRACTOR AGREEMENT WITH RITA HASKINS-OT FOR SY 24-25

Motion by Mumby, second by Heupel, to approve the Independent Contractor Agreement with Rita Haskins for Occupational Therapy services and Leslie Hayden for Physical Therapy services.

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Public comment was requested and there was none.
Passed 6-0.

Motion by Rocksund, second by Mumby, to approve the following recommendations from the Health Insurance Committee.

Administrative Services Agreement renewal – EBMS

Stop loss insurance – HCC

Funding from reserves: Dustin Zuffelato stated that stop loss renewal rates decreased for next year. The Insurance Committee is willing to keep using reserves to lower the District's contribution and the employee's premiums. This will reduce the health insurance budget expense for FY 2025.

Retiree rates

Other programs funded by reserves:

Veza Health

EAP Program

Health Promotion Program

Voluntary dental – Delta Dental renewal

Voluntary vision – VSP renewal

Life insurance – MetLife renewal

Flex plan renewal

Public comment was requested and there was none.

Passed 6-0.

Motion by Hill, second by Cheff, to approve the May 7, 2024, election results for the Elementary District General Fund Over-Base Levy Election.

Public comment was requested and there was none.

Passed 5-0.

Motion by Heupel, second by Hill, to approve the the May 7, 2024, election results for the High School District General Fund Over-Base Levy Election.

Public comment was requested and there was none.

Passed 6-0.

Motion by Heupel, second by Mumby, to approve the May 7, 2024, election results for the High School District Building Reserve Fund Levy Election.

Public comment was requested and there was none.

Passed 6-0.

Motion by Mumby, second by Cheff, to approve Resolution #425 – Trustee Election by Acclamation.

Public comment was requested and there was none.

Passed 6-0.

MOTION TO APPROVE
HEALTH INSURANCE
COMMITTEE
RECOMMENDATIONS

MOTION TO APPROVE
ELEMENTARY
DISTRICT GENERAL
FUND OVER-BASE
LEVY ELECTION
RESULTS

MOTION TO APPROVE
HIGH SCHOOL
DISTRICT GENERAL
FUND OVER-BASE
LEVY ELECTION
RESULTS

MOTION TO APPROVE
HIGH SCHOOL DIS-
TRICT BUILDING RE-
SERVE LEVY ELECTION
RESULTS

MOTION TO APPROVE
RESOLUTION #425 -
TRUSTEE ELECTION BY
ACCLAMATION

PERSONNEL:

Personnel:

The Board acknowledged the following resignations previously accepted by the Superintendent, all resignation dates are effective at the end of SY2024: Coni Muzi – Junior High Special Education Paraeducator; Taylor Hoots – Ruder Fifth Grade Teacher; Samantha Steiner – Glacier Gateway Fourth Grade Teacher; Jacy Wilson – Ruder Kindergarten Teacher; Daniel Cadigan – Junior High Yearbook Advisor; David Kehr – Junior High Football Coach; Heather Gilchrist – Junior High Volleyball Coach; Kristine Gange – Junior High Volleyball Coach; Josie Brown – Junior High Volleyball Coach; Sara Williams – Elementary Student and Family Advocate; Margaret Jalowiec – Glacier Gateway Special Education Paraeducator; Darry Rosenbaum – District Custodian; Hannah Freeman-Gravelin – High School Assistant Girls Wrestling Coach; Gretchen Miller – High School English Teacher; Susan Rushe – High School Special Education Teacher

MOTION TO APPROVE ELEMENTARY HIRING RECOMMENDATIONS

Motion by Mumby, second by Hill, to approve the following Elementary District hiring recommendations: Ashley Johnson – Summer Bookmobile; Ellie Green – Summer Bookmobile; Suzann Andrews – Summer Bookmobile; Kathy Carl – Glacier Gateway Summer School Paraeducator; Shirley Vickery – Glacier Gateway Summer School Paraeducator; Kayla Thompson – Glacier Gateway Summer School Paraeducator; Amber Little – Glacier Gateway Summer School Paraeducator; Alicia Hakes – Glacier Gateway Summer School Teacher; Alyssa Morales – Glacier Gateway Summer School Teacher; Kathy Wetsch – Junior High Summer School Teacher; Sarah Rosenbaum – Junior High Summer School Teacher; Tammy Coleman – Junior High Summer School Teacher; Maya Garcia – Ruder Special Education Teacher.

Public comment was requested and there was none.

Passed 5-0.

MOTION TO APPROVE HS AND DISTRICT-WIDE HIRING RECOMMENDATIONS

Motion by Heupel, second by Hill, to approve the following High School/District Wide hiring recommendations: Sarah Briggs – Speech/Language/Pathologist; Chelsea Wattercutter – Speech/Language/Pathologist; Jeremy Grilley – High School Head Girls Basketball Coach; Tary Middlesworth – High School Assistant Girls Basketball Coach; Dulcinea Berube – High School Assistant Girls Basketball Coach; Kelly Houle – High School Head Football Coach; Rory Christiaens – High School Counselor; Beverly Dewell – High School Summer School Teacher

Public comment was requested and there was none.

Passed 6-0.

MOTION TO APPROVE NON-TENURE ELEMENTARY TEACHER HIRES ADDENDUM #1

Motion by Mumby, second by Cheff, to approve the non-tenure elementary teacher hires.

Public comment was requested and there was none.

Passed 5-0.

MOTION TO APPROVE NON-TENURE HIGH SCHOOL TEACHER HIRES ADDENDUM #2

Motion by Heupel, second by Mumby, to approve the non-tenure high school teacher hires.

Public comment was requested and there was none.

Passed 6-0.

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Motion by Heupel, second by Hill, to approve the substitute teacher hiring recommendations.

Public comment was requested and there was none.

Passed 6-0.

MOTION TO APPROVE
SUBSTITUTE
TEACHER HIRING
RECOMMENDATIONS

Motion by Mumby, second by Hill, to approve the out-of-state travel requests for Lindsey Fishel and Crystal Sundberg to attend the Division for Early Childhood 40th Annual Conference in New Orleans, LA, September 17-20, 2024, pending the Professional Development Committee's final decision to use funds.

Public comment was requested and there was none.

Passed 5-0.

MOTION TO APPROVE
OUT-OF-STATE TRAVEL
RECOMMENDATIONS
FOR LINDSEY FISHEL
AND CRYSTAL
SUNDBERG

Motion by Cheff, second by Heupel, to approve the out-of-state travel requests for Tamara Sundberg to attend the McKinney Vento Homeless Liaison Training in Phoenix, AZ, October 22-24, 2024, and the National Association for the Education of Homeless Children and Youth Conference in Orlando, FL, November 16-19, 2024.

Public comment was requested and the Board would like to look into whether or not there is enough funding in the grant for a second person to attend.

Passed 6-0.

MOTION TO APPROVE
OUT-OF-STATE TRAVEL
RECOMMENDATION
FOR TAMARA
SUNDBERG

Adjourn to Executive Session as each individual's right to privacy exceeds the public's right to know, Chair Rocksund called the meeting into executive session at 8:14 P.M.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Consideration of Student 25-093 out-of-district enrollment.

Open meeting resumed at 8:39 P.M.

Motion by Hill, second by Mumby, to approve the minutes from the executive session.

Public comment was requested and there was no.

Passed 5-0.

MOTION TO APPROVE
EXECUTIVE SESSION
MEETING MINUTES

Motion by Mumby, second by Hill, to approve the out-of-district enrollment for student 25-093 for School Year 2024-2025.

Public comment was requested and there was none.

Passed 5-0.

MOTION TO APPROVE
OUT-OF-DISTRICT
STUDENT ENROLLMENT
FOR STUDENT #25-093

Miscellaneous and Future Planning:

Graduation is June 1, 2024

MISCELLANEOUS AND
FUTURE PLANNING

As there was no further business to come before the Board, Vice Chair Riley adjourned the meeting at 8:41 P.M.

MEETING
ADJOURNED

Board Chair

Business Manager/Clerk

ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING
BOARD OF TRUSTEES
SCHOOL DISTRICT #6
MAY 13 2024

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The Organizational Meeting of the Board of Trustees of School District Six was held at 7:45 P.M., Monday, May 13, 2024, in the Boardroom of the administration offices at 501 Sixth Avenue West, Columbia Falls, Montana.

PRESENT:

Jill Rocksund Board Chair Via Google Meets
Barbara Riley..... Vice Chair
Justin Cheff..... Trustee Via Google Meets
Keri Hill Trustee
Casey Heupel Trustee
Heather Mumby..... Trustee
Amanda Pacheco Trustee
Cory Dziowgo Superintendent of Schools
Dustin Zuffelato Business Manager/Clerk

ABSENT:

Megan Upton Trustee

Call to order at: 8:43 P.M.

CALL TO ORDER

Flathead County Superintendent of Schools, Cal Ketchum, administered the Oath of Office to new Trustees Jill Rocksund and Amanda Pacheco.

OATH OF OFFICE

District Clerk, Dustin Zuffelato, requested nominations for Board Chair.

Motion by Mumby, second by Riley, to nominate Jill Rocksund to serve as Board Chair.

There were no further nominations.

Public comment was requested and there was none.

Passed 7-0.

MOTION TO APPROVE
THE NOMINATION OF
JILL ROCKSUND FOR
BOARD CHAIR

District clerk, Dustin Zuffelato, requested nominations for Board Vice Chair.

Motion by Hill, second by Mumby, to nominate Barb Riley to serve as Board Vice Chair.

There were no further nominations.

Public comment was requested and there was none.

Passed 7-0.

MOTION TO APPROVE
THE NOMINATION
OF BARB RILEY FOR
BOARD VICE-CHAIR

Motion by Mumby, second by Heupel, to appoint Dustin Zuffelato to serve as District Clerk.

Public comment was requested and there was none.

Passed 7-0.

MOTION TO APPOINT
DUSTIN ZUFFELATO
TO SERVE AS
DISTRICT CLERK

Public Participation:

Vice Chair Riley requested public participation on any agenda or non-agenda items.

PUBLIC
PARTICIPATION:

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MISCELLANEOUS
AND FUTURE
PLANNING

Miscellaneous and Future Planning:

All miscellaneous and future planning was discussed during the Regular Board Meeting.

Board Committee members must submit areas of interest for serving on committees.

Please have input by the June 1, 2024.

Graduation - June 1, 2024 - 11:00 A.M.

July Regular Meeting - June 15, 2024 - Glacier Gateway Library

MEETING
ADJOURNED

As there was no further business to come before the Board Vice Chair Riley adjourned the meeting at 8:48 P.M.

Board Chair

Business Manager/Clerk

REGULAR BOARD MEETING
BOARD OF TRUSTEES
SCHOOL DISTRICT #6
JUNE 10, 2024

Unofficial

The Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees of School District Six was held at 6:00 P.M., Monday, June 10, 2024, in the Boardroom of the administration offices at 501 Sixth Avenue West, Columbia Falls, Montana.

PRESENT:

Jill Rocksund Board Chair
Barbara Riley Vice Chair
Justin Cheff Trustee via Google Meets
Keri Hill Trustee
Heather Mumby Trustee
Amanda Pacheco Trustee
Casey Heupel Trustee arrived 6:05 P.M.
Cory Dziowgo Superintendent of Schools

ABSENT:

Megan Upton Trustee
Dustin Zuffelato Business Manager/Clerk

Call to order at 6:02 P.M.

CALL TO ORDER

Motion by Riley , second by Hill, to approve the agenda as presented.
Public comment was requested and Trustee Upton would like to get the agendas on Thursday, rather than Friday to be able to have more time to read over everything.
Passed 6-0.

APPROVE AGENDA

Motion by Hill, second by Upton, to approve the consent agenda as follows:
Approve April board meeting minutes.
Approve May bills.
Approve the investment report.
Approve the 2024-2025 Out-of-District Student Recommendations.
Public comment was requested and there was none.
Passed 6-0

APPROVE CONSENT AGENDA

Public Participation:

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION:

Approximately three (3) people participated in the meeting remotely via Zoom. Approximately twenty-one (21) people attended the meeting in person.

Community Member Salvatore Baccaro would like to see a Special Meeting of the Board to discuss not cutting the wrestling program from the Junior High.

REPORTS:

Written Reports:

The Elementary School Principals provided the Board with written reports.

High School Principal, Jon Konen, provided the Board with a written report.

Curriculum Director, Mark McCord, provided the Board with a written report.

Committees provided the Board with written reports.

Verbal Reports:

Trustee Barbara Riley informed the Board with the recent proceedings of the Consortium of State School Board Associations (COSSBA) and the Montana School Board Association (MTSBA). Trustee Riley finished last Friday with a three-day training of State Board Members. There was much discussion regarding the legislative platform for next spring. There will be no rise in dues for the association. There were discussions regarding different committees to devise a more equitable manner to distribute property taxes and to better align education funding to match the requirements within the State Constitution. The Leadership training had roughly 80 attend virtually and approximately 40 to 50 in the room. There was much talk about the public's right to know and funding levels. The Montana School Alliance meeting is on Friday. The plan is to have something together in early fall to give perspective of what the plan will look like. There are lots of details to still figure out with a third-party administrator, vendors, and employing a consultant to identify health risks and strategies to control costs.

District Business Manager/Clerk provided the Board with a written report. The District ended the year with a \$12,000 debt in lunch program compared to a much higher unpaid account balance last year. Still waiting for OPI to approve the community eligibility program that would ensure everyone was eligible for free meals next year.

Superintendent Cory Dziowgo discussed the interview process and hiring policies as well as how to be more proficient in the District administrative procedures. Next, he will be looking at budgetary processes with Dustin and ways for the principals to help watch the budget throughout the year.

Board Chair Jill Rocksund is looking to have MTSBA come to the District for a two hour training with the Board. The Negotiations Committee met once with the Certified Union, will take a break in June and meet again in July. The next meeting with the Classified Union will be Monday, June 17, 2024.

ACTION/
DISCUSSION ITEMS

Action/Discussed Items:

Motion by Riley, second by Heupel, to approve the fund transfers from Montana Digi-

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tal Academy to indirect costs and from the bus depreciation fund to the Multi District Agreement Fund.

Public comment was requested and there was none.

Passed 7-0.

MOTION TO APPROVE
FUND TRANSFERS

Motion by Heupel, second by Upton, to approve the cancelation of outstanding warrants that have not been cashed for over one year.

Public comment was requested and there was none.

Passed 7-0.

MOTION TO APPROVE
THE CANCELLATION OF
OUTSTANDING
WARRANTS

Motion by Riley, second by Hill, to approve the independent contract agreement with Wendi Wanner to provide occupational therapy services during school year 2024/25.

Public comment was requested and there was none.

Passed 7-0.

MOTION TO APPROVE
THE INDEPENDENT
CONTRACTOR AGREEMENT WITH WENDI
WANNER

Curriculum Director Mark McCord presented information regarding the K-5 math curriculum, Bridges. The process of looking into new curriculum started in the spring of 2022. The group looked at what other schools were using, then the process of elimination brought the choices down to two, Bridges and Big Ideas Math. There was a parent meeting and feedback was shared to the Board. The District is looking at a six year adoption period. The cost is \$109,000 for the six years. This cost will come out of the tech fund and not the general fund because of the strong digital component.

Motion by Riley, second by Upton, to approve the adoption of K-5th grade math curriculum recommendation Bridges.

Public comment was requested and Community Member Joe O'Rourke is concerned about text books and wondering if there is room for parental involvement; in which there is a resource that keeps parents informed through the online piece.

Passed 6-0.

MOTION TO APPROVE
THE ADOPTION OF
K-5TH GRADE MATH
CURRICULUM
RECOMMENDATION
BRIDGES

Mark McCord presented a new math curriculum for the High School. The two piloted programs were Into Math and Big Ideas Math. It was felt that Big Ideas Math was a better fit to match Google Classroom and it has an adaptable platform. This is also the program already used in the Junior High to make an easier transition for students to the High School. For six years of access, the cost is \$88,000 plus virtual training. That is a \$70,000 reduction if we were to stay with the same platform. The budget for the new curriculum comes from the Multi-District Agreement Fund.

Motion by Riley, second by Heupel, to approve the adoption of the HS math curriculum recommendation Big Ideas Math.

Public comment was requested and there was none.

Passed 7-0.

MOTION TO APPROVE
THE ADOPTION OF THE
HS MATH
CURRICULUM RECOMMENDATION
BIG IDEAS MATH

Motion by Riley, second by Upton, to approve Resolution #427 -- Authorizing participation in the INTERCAP PROGRAM loan agreement to finance the Roof Replacement Project.

Public comment was requested and there was none.

MOTION TO APPROVE
RESOLUTION 427 -
AUTHORIZING
PARTICIPATION IN THE
INTERCAP PROGRAM

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Passed 7-0.

Motion by Heupel, second by Hill, to approve Resolution #428 – Disposition of abandoned, obsolete and undesirable property; high school batch surplus.

Public comment was requested and there was none.

Passed 7-0.

Motion by Riley, second by Pacheco, to approve Resolution #429 – Calling for Flathead County to conduct the 2025 annual school election.

Public comment was requested and there was none.

Passed 7-0.

Motion by Riley, second by Hill, to approve Resolution #430 – Disposition of abandoned, obsolete and undesirable property.

Public comment was requested and Trustee Upton asked why the students in the High School took Chromebooks home? Principal Konen mentioned having a rotation and the students seem to take better care of the Chromebooks if they know it is the same one for four years; it gives students more ownership.

Passed 7-0.

Motion by Upton, second by Heupel, to approve the Montana High School Association (MHSA) annual dues.

Public comment was requested and there was none.

Passed 7-0.

PERSONNEL:

Personnel:

The Board acknowledged the following resignations previously accepted by the Superintendent: Shelby Petero – Glacier Gateway Special Education Paraeducator; Alyssa Drew – COTA; Emily Hagreen – Glacier Gateway Special Education Paraeducator; Stephannie Gregorash – Ruder Kindergarten Paraeducator; Debra Waldusky – Ruder Paraeducator; Gabrielle DeSchamps – Ruder Special Education Teacher; Sarah Rosenbaum – Junior High Study Hall Paraeducator; Kenneth Weese – Junior High Special Education Paraeducator; Catherine Schmidt – Junior High Special Education Paraeducator; Mary Burns – Junior High Cross Country Coach; Rick Lawrence – Junior High Football Coach; Justin Lovitt – Junior High Football Coach; Desiree Riley, reduction in hours – Student Data Specialist; Tabatha Roth – District Custodian; Reed Miner – District Custodian; Edward Sowl – District Bus Driver; Ashleigh Mason – High School Counselor; Jake Hall – High School Math Teacher; Mary Webb – HOSA (SY 24-25 only); Samantha Steiner – High School Assistant Tennis Coach

MOTION TO APPROVE
ELEMENTARY
HIRING
RECOMMENDATIONS

Motion by Hill, second by Upton, to approve the following Elementary District hiring recommendations: Robyn Kehr – Junior High Volleyball Coach; Rachel Archuleta – Ju-

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nior High Volleyball Coach; Darrin Gress – Junior High Football Coach; Rachel Archuleta – Glacier Gateway 0.5FTE HE/PE; Sarah Rosenbaum – Ruder Grade 4 Teacher; Stephanie Gregorash – Ruder Grade 4 Teacher; Emily Hagreen – Glacier Gateway Grade 3 Teacher; Alyssa Drew – Glacier Gateway Kindergarten Teacher; Amanda Douglas – Glacier Gateway Grade 5 Teacher

Public comment was requested and there was none.
Passed 6-0.

Motion by Riley, second by Cheff, to approve the following High School/District Wide hiring recommendations: Daniel Boutwell – Food Service Truck Driver/Kitchen Helper; Cherie Mack – High School Counselor; Hannah Holderbaum – High School English Teacher

Public comment was requested and there was none.
Passed 7-0.

MOTION TO APPROVE HS AND DISTRICT-WIDE HIRING RECOMMENDATIONS

Motion by Heupel, second by Hill, to approve the following Temporary Summer Hires: Elizabeth Burton – IT Support; Lucas Counts – IT Support; Lauren Rogers – IT Support; Khristine Burton – IT Support; Courtney Pham – Food Service; Tammy Graham – Food Service; Tiffany Hale – Food Service; Tabitha Roth – Bus Washer; Daniel Cadigan – Custodian; Teresa Hughes – Custodian; Brooklynn Keibler – Custodian; Angel McCarley – Custodian; Dawn Garwood – Custodian; Amanda Treat - Custodian

Public comment was requested and there was none.
Passed 7-0.

MOTION TO APPROVE TEMPORARY SUMMER HIRING RECOMMENDATIONS

Motion by Riley, second by Pacheco, to approve the substitute teacher hiring recommendations.

Public comment was requested and there was none.
Passed 7-0.

MOTION TO APPROVE SUBSTITUTE HIRING RECOMMENDATIONS

Motion by Riley, second by Upton, to approve the out-of-state travel requests for: Emily Hackethorn to attend the 2024 Summer Institute – American Choral Directors Association in Tacoma, WA, July 16-19, 2024. All expenses will be paid through professional development grant.

Brittney Hulett to attend the National Association for the Education of Homeless Children & Youth in Orlando, FL, November 16-19, 2024. All expenses will be paid through the Logan Health Grant.

Penni Anello and Courtney McCord to attend the PBIS Leadership Conference in Chicago, IL, October 9-11, 2024. All expenses will be paid through professional development grant.

Public comment was requested and there was none.
Passed 7-0.

MOTION TO APPROVE OUT-OF-STATE TRAVEL REQUESTS

Adjourn to Executive Session as each individual's right to privacy exceeds the public's right to know, Chair Rocksund called the meeting into executive session at 7:02 P.M.

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Consideration of Student 25-127 out-of-district enrollment.

Open meeting resumed at 8:13 P.M.

MOTION TO APPROVE
EXECUTIVE SESSION
MEETING MINUTES

Motion by Cheff, second by Upton, to approve the minutes from the executive session.

Public comment was requested and there was none.

Passed 6-0.

MISCELLANEOUS
AND FUTURE
PLANNING

Miscellaneous and Future Planning:

Regular Board Meeting – July 16, 2024 – Glacier Gateway Library – 6:00 P.M.

Superintendent Dziowgo will reach out to Jessie Schaeffer regarding putting Junior High Wrestling on a future agenda.

MEETING
ADJOURNED

As there was no further business to come before the Board, Chair Rocksund adjourned the meeting at 8:17 P.M.

Board Chair

Business Manager/Clerk

REGULAR MEETING
BOARD OF TRUSTEES
SCHOOL DISTRICT #6
JULY 15, 2024

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The Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees of School District Six was held at 6:00 P.M., Monday, July 15, 2024, in the Boardroom of the administration offices at 501 Sixth Avenue West, Columbia Falls, Montana.

PRESENT:

- Jill Rocksund Board Chair
- Megan Upton Trustee
- Justin Cheff Trustee
- Heather Mumby Trustee
- Amanda Pacheco Trustee
- Casey Heupel Trustee
- Cory Dziowgo Superintendent of Schools
- Dustin Zuffelato Business Manager/Clerk

ABSENT:

- Barbara Riley Vice Chair
- Keri Hill Trustee

Call to order at: 6:01 P.M.

CALL TO ORDER

Motion by Huepel, second by Cheff, to approve the agenda as presented.
Public comment was requested and there was none.
Passed 6-0.

APPROVE AGENDA

Motion by Cheff, second by Upton, to approve the consent agenda as follows:
Approve June bills.
Approve the investment report.
Approve the 2024-2025 Out-of-District Student Recommendations.
Public comment was requested and there was none.
Passed 6-0.

APPROVE CONSENT AGENDA

Public Participation:

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION:

Approximately two (2) people participated in the meeting remotely via Zoom. Approximately five (5) people attended the meeting in person.

Verbal Reports:

REPORTS:

District Business Manager/Clerk provided the Board with a written report. Information regarding the last five of the Food Service Program was shared. The goal is to increase participation in the upcoming year. Only approximately 40% of students participate in lunch and 20% in the breakfast program. If the meals are provided at no cost to the stu-

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dent, the District should increase participation to match the numbers during the COVID waivers and possibly surpass. The Food Service Program can only have a few months of surplus in the account. Mr. Zuffelato noted that the General Fund budget has been spent down, health insurance claims were less than expected with claims finishing at 85% of expected. There are still some custodial staff vacancies that will not be built into next years budget with the purchase of new cleaning machines and efficiencies. In the High School budget, the biggest overage was in the athletics and transportation. Teams did so well during the year and many teams made it to the state competitions. Any costs for extra curricular transportation comes from the General Fund. Indian Education for All in the upcoming school year is changing, if the District does not spend all of the entitlement funds then it will be reduced the following school year. Principals and staff will need to find a more efficient way to spend all of the funds available. Building Use procedures will need to be looked at for the Canyon School rentals. To pay the natural gas costs, some assistance had to be taken out of the General Fund because there was not enough in the Rental Fund. For the Multi-use Fields, costs for water, irrigation, striping and maintenance surpass the facility use rental revenue proceeds. Currently, the only rental revenue is derived from the soccer club. The Tech Fund had expenditures totaling about \$770,000 and the annual levy was \$925,000. This levy is for ten years. The Health Insurance Fund balanced increased approximately \$300,000. Claims were less than expected at 85%. The next Insurance Committee Meeting is set for the end of August. The District was able to spend all of the ESSER monies and got approval from OPI to use the remaining ESSER Funds for the High School roof project, along with the HVAC ventilation system. The Elementary Facility Bond Project still has roughly \$40,000 left. Ruder Elementary has the Pre-K playground and all the money should be spent by September. There were also roof ladders added to improve safety.

Superintendent Cory Dziowgo introduced new High School Principal, Josh Gibbs, to the Board. The Admin Team is looking at everything on "how to save money" and Mr. Gibbs's input will be valuable. Topics of savings reviewed were interest financing expense for the \$2 million borrowed, trash services, how the grass is watered and mowed. Mr. Dziowgo also shared updated pictures on the High School Roof Project.

Board Chair Jill Rocksund informed the rest of the Board that negotiations settled this morning with the teachers.

ACTION/
DISCUSSION ITEMS

Action/Discussed Items:

MOTION TO APPROVE
MONTANA TEACHER
RESIDENCY PROGRAM
MOA FOR BLAKE
KUNTZ

Motion by Heupel, second by Mumby, to approve the Montana Teacher Residency Program MOAs for school year 24-25 for Blake Kuntz. Mr. Kuntz will be with High School Teachers Jaime' Bell and Willow Moran.

Public comment was requested and there was none.
Passed 6-0.

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Motion by Mumby, second by Cheff, to approve the Montana Teacher Residency Program MOAs for school year 24-25 for Kylie Rocker. Ms. Rocker will be at Glacier Gateway under Carrie Gnauck.

Public comment was requested and there was none.

Passed 5-0.

MOTION TO APPROVE MONTANA TEACHER RESIDENCY PROGRAM MOA FOR KYLIE ROCKER

Motion by Mumby, second by Upton, to approve the Golden Seal of Biliteracy Program through FVCC.

Public comment was requested and there was none.

Passed 6-0.

MOTION TO APPROVE THE GOLDEN SEAL OF BILITERACY PROGRAM THROUGH FVCC

Motion by Mumby, second by Heupel, to approve the ratification of the CFCEA Tentative Agreement for SY 24-25.

Public comment was requested and there was none.

Passed 6-0.

MOTION TO APPROVE THE CFCEA TENTATIVE AGREEMENT FOR SY 24-25

Motion by Upton, second by Pacheco, to approve the board standing committee recommendations as presented.

Public comment was requested and Trustee Mumby mentioned that Trustee Pacheco was interested to be on the calendar committee, in which was okay with her to resign from said committee.

Motion by Cheff, second by Heupel, to amend the previous motion to remove Heather Mumby and add Amanda Pacheco to the Calendar Committee.

Public comment was requested and there was none.

Passed 6-0.

MOTION TO APPROVE BOARD STANDING COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATIONS

Motion by Cheff, second by Mumby, to approved the board standing committee with changes.

Public comment was requested and there was none.

Passed 6-0.

MOTION TO AMEND PREVIOUS MOTION

Motion by Cheff, second by Mumby, to approve 2024 MTSBA Membership Electronic Vote on the following items:

Confirmation of MTSBA current Principles and Guidelines.

Consideration of the current foundational elements of MTSBA's DNA.

FY 26 Dues Revenue Estimate.

Vision Based Strategic Advocacy Resolution.

Gap Analysis Resolution.

Nomination of Krystal Zetner.

Nomination of Rick Cummings.

Public comment was requested and there was none.

Passed 6-0.

MOTION TO APPROVE BOARD STANDING COMMITTEES WITH CHANGES

MOTION TO APPROVE MTSBA MEMBERSHIP ELECTRONIC VOTE

Personnel:

PERSONNEL:

The Board acknowledged the following resignations previously accepted by the Superin-

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tendent, all resignation dates are effective at the end of SY2024: Logan Williams – Glacier Gateway Special Education Paraeducator; Jeremy Grilley – JH Boys' Basketball Coach; Daniel Cadigan – JH Library Paraeducator; Tana Poor – Ruder Special Education Paraeducator

MOTION TO APPROVE
ELEMENTARY HIRING
RECOMMENDATIONS

Motion by Upton, second by Cheff, to approve the following Elementary District hiring recommendations: Paula Koch – JH Cross Country Coach; Jennifer Thurston – JH Volleyball Coach; Stephanie Collis – Glacier Gateway Special Education Paraeducator; Brittany Krueger – Glacier Gateway Special Education Paraeducator.

Public comment was requested and there was none.

Passed 5-0.

MOTION TO APPROVE
HIGH SCHOOL AND
DISTRICT-WIDE HIRING
RECOMMENDATIONS

Motion by Heupel, second by Amanda, to approve the following High School/District Wide hiring recommendations: Stacy Caron – Speech Aide; Casey Copeland – HS Special Education Teacher; Hilary Ypma – Junior Class Advisor; Ryan Timlick – HS Assistant Girls' Wrestling Coach; Salvatore Baccaro – HS Assistant Girls' Wrestling Coach; Jessica Moultray – HS Business Education Teacher; Amanda Matdies – HS Long-Term Substitute FCS Teacher.

Public comment was requested and there was none.

Passed 6-0.

MOTION TO APPROVE
TEMPORARY SUMMER
HIRING
RECOMMENDATIONS

Motion by Heupel, second by Cheff, to approve the summer hire: Jenny Morgan – Summer Food Service.

Public comment was requested and there was none.

Passed 6-0.

MOTION TO APPROVE
ELEMENTARY EXTRA-
DUTY HIRES FOR SY
24-25

Motion by Upton, second by Amanda, to approve the elementary extra-duty hires for SY 24-25.

Public comment was requested and there was none.

Passed 5-0.

MOTION TO APPROVE
HIGH SCHOOL EXTRA-
DUTY HIRES FOR
SY 24-25

Motion by Mumby, second by Cheff, to approve the high school extra duty hires for SY 24-25.

Public comment was requested and there was none.

Passed 6-0.

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Adjourn to Executive Session as each individual's right to privacy exceeds the public's right to know, Chair Rocksund called the meeting into executive session at 6:44 P.M.

Consideration of Student 25-127 out-of-district enrollment.

Open meeting resumed at 6:52 P.M.

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Motion by Upton, second by Mumby, to approve the minutes from the executive session.
Public comment was requested and there was none.
Passed 5-0.

MOTION TO APPROVE
EXECUTIVE SESSION
MINUTES

Motion by Mumby, second by Cheff, to approve denial of enrollment for the out-of-district enrollment for student 25-127 for School Year 2024-2025.
Public comment was requested and there was none.
Passed 5-0.

MOTION TO DENY
ENROLLMENT OF
OUT-OF-DISTRICT
STUDENT #25-127

Miscellaneous and Future Planning:

MISCELLANEOUS
AND FUTURE
PLANNING

Finance Committee Meeting – July 29, 2024 – 4:00 P.M.

Transportation Committee Meeting needs to be scheduled soon to plan for replacing Gerard Byrd on the Essex/West Glacier bus route.

MEETING
ADJOURNED

As there was no further business to come before the Board, Chair Rocksund adjourned the meeting at 7:05 P.M.

Board Chair

Business Manager/Clerk

Out-Of-District Approval – 8-12-2024

25-158	25-176
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Coaching Contract Title	LName	FName	Building	
Elem Technology Integration Specialist	Enos	Deidra	Glacier Gateway	\$1,128.57
GT Campus Coordinator	Getts	Mary Ellen	Glacier Gateway	\$1,504.76
Campus Professional Development Spec	Hall	Tricia	Glacier Gateway	\$376.19
Mentor	Martin	Jenny	Glacier Gateway	\$376.19
Campus Professional Development Spec	McCord	Courtney	Glacier Gateway	\$376.19
MTSS Campus Coordinator	McCord	Courtney	Glacier Gateway	\$758.38
Mentor	Miller	Troy	Glacier Gateway	\$376.19
ESL Campus Coordinator	Moore	Callie	Glacier Gateway	\$758.38
Mentor	Orem	Kristy	Glacier Gateway	\$376.19
Campus Lead Mentor	Orem	Kristy	Glacier Gateway	\$376.19
Mentor	Schaeffer	Trista	Glacier Gateway	\$376.19
Campus Professional Development Spec	DiMaio	Leslie	Junior High	\$376.19
ESL Campus Coordinator	Jones	Samantha	Junior High	\$758.38
GT Campus Coordinator	Koch	Paula	Junior High	\$1,128.57
Mentor	Lilienthal	C. Andy	Junior High	\$376.19
Campus Lead Mentor	Lilienthal	Charles Andy	Junior High	\$376.19
Campus Professional Development Spec	Masa	Rubianna	Junior High	\$376.19
Elem Technology Integration Specialist	Masa	Rubianna	Junior High	\$1,128.57
Mentor	Reamy-Butts	Aly	Junior High	\$376.19
MTSS Campus Coordinator	Reamy-Butts	Aly	Junior High	\$758.38
ESL Campus Coordinator	Calabrese	Bella	Ruder	\$758.38
GT Campus Coordinator	Christensen	Janae	Ruder	\$1,504.76
Mentor	Fisher	Crystal	Ruder	\$752.38
Elem Technology Integration Specialist	Hall	Paige	Ruder	\$564.29
Mentor	Preiss	Josh	Ruder	\$752.38
Campus Professional Development Spec	Preiss	Josh	Ruder	\$376.19
Mentor	Shields	Dana	Ruder	\$376.19
Campus Lead Mentor	Shields	Dana	Ruder	\$376.19
Campus Professional Development Spec	Shields	Dana	Ruder	\$376.19
Elem Technology Integration Specialist	Shields	Dana	Ruder	\$564.29
MTSS Campus Coordinator	Shields	Dana	Ruder	\$758.38
MTSS District Coordinator	Crowe	Trina	District	\$758.38
Mentor	Bates	Rebecca	High School	\$376.19
HS Technology Software Integration Spec	Bates	Rebecca	High School	\$376.19
GT Campus Coordinator	Bell	Jaimé	High School	\$1,128.57
Campus Professional Development Spec	Forke	Josh	High School	\$376.19
Mentor	Gress	Shelly	High School	\$376.19
Campus Lead Mentor	Gress	Shelly	High School	\$376.19
Mentor	Hackethorn	Emily	High School	\$376.19
HS Technology Integration Specialist	Lovering	Jenny	High School	\$1,504.76
Mentor	Moran	Willow	High School	\$376.19
ESL Campus Coordinator	Price	Jeanette	High School	\$758.38
Campus Professional Development Spec	Price	Jeanette	High School	\$376.19
Mentor	Schaeffer	Ben	High School	\$376.19
Mentor	Whitman	Julia	High School	\$752.38
MTSS Campus Coordinator	Whitman	Julia	High School	\$758.38