

MINUTES

REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES, EAST HELENA SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 9

Call to Order: Trustees of School District No. 9 held a meeting on July 12, 2021. Chairman Scott Walter called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m.

Attendance and Introduction of Board Members

Trustees Present: Chairman Scott Walter, Trustees Stacy Baird, Mark Diehl, Marcia Ellermeyer and Tyrel Murfitt. Superintendent Ron Whitmoyer and Clerk Kim Aarstad.

Principals: In Coming Superintendent, Dan Rispens & Brian Kessler

Visitors: Sarah Sandau, Kate Johnson, Adrienne Simonson, Tim Tholt, Robin Mohs & Cathy Carlson.

Visitors on zoom: Tyler Manning & Janene Felter

Review the Agenda

Hear the Public

Cathy Carlson asked if the District will be offering CRT classes this year.

Robin Mohs asked about how the curriculum is selected for students.

Reports

Principal Reports

Brian Kessler reported that he would be wrapping up the master schedule this week, and he is working on being ready for when school gets back into session.

Trustee and Committee Reports

No Report

Strategic Plan, Scanning Future Needs

Superintendent Whitmoyer reported that he is waiting to hear back from Debra Silk on a time frame for the next strategic plan meeting.

Notifications of Retirement and Resignations

Superintendent Whitmoyer reported that he had recently accepted the following resignations:

- I. Shad Frank - Paraprofessional

Consent Action Items

- A. Minutes of the June 14, 2021 Regular Board Meeting and June 30, 2021 special meeting.
- B. Approval of the July former and new warrants (Claims #- 45560-_____) and Payroll # 59337).
- C. Personnel Actions - None at this time

Motion by Trustee Murfitt, seconded by Trustee Ellermeyer to approve the consent agenda as presented. Unanimous vote for the motion.

Unfinished Business

Approval of Meeting Minutes May 17, 2021, May 19, 2021 and May 27, 2021

Motion by Trustee Ellermeyer, seconded by Trustee Murfitt to approve May 17, 2021, May 19, 2021 and May 27, 2021 minutes. Unanimous vote for the motion.

Building Construction Change Order Update

Tim Tholt, Dick Anderson Construction, updated the Board on the building schedule and the progress of the new addition to High School.

EHPS COVID - Update

Superintendent Whitmoyer updated the Board on the ongoing efforts of the teachers and administration to educate and protect kids from the COVID virus.

Cathy Carlson asked if the district will be offering another vaccination clinic and if they will be for children over the age of 12.

Dan explained that the district will probably look at doing one more clinic.

FY22 Budget Update Including ESSER II & III Projections

Superintendent Whitmoyer updated the Board on the FY22 budget.

City of East Helena Subdivision Agreement Culmination

Superintendent Whitmoyer reported that the Check has been delivered to the City of East Helena, which means the agreement with the city has been signed, bringing closure to the EHHS subdivision requirement.

New Business

Bus Route Approval

Superintendent Whitmoyer presented the 2021-2022 Bus routes for Board approval.

Motion by Trustee Diehl, seconded by Trustee Ellermeyer to approve the 2021-2022 bus routes as presented. Unanimous vote for the motion. The proposed bus routes will be in the minute book.

First Reading of Board Policies 3310, 3311,4315,4332 & 5223

Superintendent Whitmoyer presented Board Policies 3310, Student Discipline, 3311, Firearms & Other Weapons, 4315, Visitor & Spectator Conduct, 4332, Conduct on School Property & 5223, Personal Conduct for Board Approval.

Motion by Trustee Ellermeyer , seconded by Trustee Diehl to approve the first reading of Board Policies, 3310, 3311- Option 1(page 1), 4315, 4332 - Option 1, (page 2) 5223 as presented. Unanimous vote for the motion.

RMDC Headstart Program Lease Approval

Superintendent Whitmoyer presented the Headstart Lease for the FY22 and FY23 school year.

Motion by Trustee Baird, seconded by Trustee Ellermeyer to approve the two year lease for Headstart. Unanimous vote for the motion.

OPI Special Education Monitoring Report

Superintendent Whitmoyer updated the Board on the special education program evaluation that was done by the Office of Public Instruction.

MTSBA Principal, Guidelines and Dues Approval

Chairman Walter updated the Board on 4 action items that will need to be approved by the Board.

1. Approve the MTSBA Principles & Guidelines
2. Approve the MTSBA dues increase
3. Approve the nomination of Scott Walter as the President-Elect
4. Approve Tom Billteen as the MTSBA Vice-President

Following the Board action the results of your approved motion will be cast on a live link to the MTSBA survey.

Motion by Trustee Murfitt, seconded by Trustee Ellermeyer to approve MTSBA Principles & Guidelines. Unanimous vote for the motion.

Motion by Trustee Ellermeyer, seconded by Trustee Murfitt to approve MTSBA Dues increase. Unanimous vote for the motion.

Motion by Trustee Ellermeyer, seconded by Trustee Diehl to nominate Scott Walter as the President-Elect for MTSBA. Unanimous vote for the motion.

Motion by Trustee Diehl, seconded by Trustee Ellermeyer to approve Tim Billteen as the MTSBA Vice President. Unanimous vote for the motion.

Motion by Trustee Murfitt, seconded by Trustee Ellermeyer to designate Scott Walter to be responsible for reporting the Board vote on the MTSBA live link survey. Unanimous vote for the motion.

Superintendent's Report and Final Reflections

Superintendent Whitmoyer reflected on his positions with the district over the last 39 years.

Future meeting Dates and Agenda Items

The next regular meeting will be held on August 9, 2021 at 5:30 p.m. in the East Valley Middle School Library.

Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 7:10 p.m.

Submitted by: _____
District Clerk, Kim Aarstad

Approved by: _____ Date _____
Chairman, Board of Trustees