

A SPECIAL MEETING OF THE EAST HELENA BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Call to Order: The East Helena School District No.9 held a special meeting on May 19, 2021 at 5:30 p.m.

Attendance and Introduction of Board Members

Trustee Present: Chairman Walter, Stacy Baird, Martin Balukas, Mark Diehl, Marcia Ellermeyer, Tyrel Murfitt and Breck Scheet.

Superintendent Ron Whitmoyer and Clerk Kim Aarstad.

Principals: Brandon Crusat, Joe MaMahon, Brenda Stoltz and Technology Coordinator, DJ Howell

Visitors: Adrienne Simonson, Kate Johnson, Tonya Bender, Neil Bender, Cathy Carlson, Robin Mohs. Cindy Roscoe, Miriam Roscoe, Micah Roscoe.

Visitors attending by zoom: Kalub Black, Kara Peterson, KD Jones, Karly Olsen, Joe McMahon, Nicole Hanni, Rachel Bright, Tammy Stefanik, Tyler Manning, Kari Speicher, Karla Layson, Carrie Clement, Tim Baird, Julie Martinson, Robin Mohs, Marne Bender, Jolette Haas, Carson Bender, Kelsey Phelps, Stacy Anderson, Cole Bass, Brittany Waeckerlin, Lincoln Tracy and Keenan Crawford.

Pledge of Allegiance

New Business

Personnel Issues - Consideration of Recommendation to Hire

- i. Shelby Holmes

Motion by Trustee Diehl, seconded by Trustee Murfitt to hire Shelby Holmes for the 2021-2022 school year. Unanimous vote for the motion.

Mask Order Discussion - Policy 1905

Motion by Trustee Diehl, seconded by Trustee Baird to approve option # 2 - Optional Face Coverings for second reading. The Language is as follows:

Staff, students, and visitors may wear a face covering, mask or face shield while present in any school building. The School District does not require the use of masks and will not provide masks except in cases required by this policy or at the discretion of the administration.

Allegations of harassment of any person wearing or not wearing a face covering, mask or face shield shall be promptly investigated in accordance with District policy. A student, staff member or visitor who, after

an investigation, is found to have engaged in behavior that violates District policy is subject to redirection or discipline.

A discussion followed

Chairman Walter called for the vote.

"Yes" Trustee Diehl, Trustee Murfitt, Trustee Scheet, Trustee Baird & Trustee Walter

"No" Trustee Balukas, Trustee Ellermeyer

Motion carried.

Partial Approval of Tuition Student in Select Grades

Superintendent Whitmoyer submitted the following recommendation for tuition students.

Kindergarten - 7 students
Freshman - 10 Students
Sophomores - 2 Students
Juniors - 3 Students

Motion by Trustee Ellermeyer, seconded by Trustee Diehl to accept Superintendent Whitmoyer's recommendation. Unanimous vote for the motion.

Hear the Public

Cathy Carlson asked when the adoption of policy 1905 goes into effect. Chairman Walter stated that the policy goes into effect immediately on passage.

Future meeting Dates and Agenda Items

The next regular meeting will be held on June 14, 2021 at 5:30 p.m. in the East Valley Middle School Library. A Special School Board meeting will be held on June 8, 2021 at @ East Valley Middle School Library.

Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 6:32 p.m.

Submitted by: _____
District Clerk, Kim Aarstad

Approved by: _____
Chairman, Board of Trustees Date