

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 13, 2020. 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 Martin Balukas, Kevin Bokovoy, Mark Diehl, Marcia Ellermeyer, Tyrel Murfitt and Breck Scheet. Superintendent Ron Whitmoyer and Clerk Kim Aarstad.

Principals: Brenda Stoltz and Dan Rispens and Technology Coordinator, DJ Howell

Visitors: Tyler Manning, Brandon Crusat, Kate Johnson, Leo Dutton, James Turpin and Tim Tholt.

Review the Agenda

Hear the Public

No one addressed the board.

Reports

Trustee and Committee Reports

No Report

Strategic Plan, Scanning Future Needs

Superintendent Whitmoyer reported that he had a great discussion on the needs of the district for the start of the school year.

Notifications of Retirement and Resignations

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

- I. Jill Miller - Principal

MTSBA Regional Meeting Report & June 11 General Meeting Preview

Chairman Walter updated the Board on the MTSBA General Assembly meeting that was held on June 11, 2020. All presented Resolutions were passed at the Assembly. Chairman Walter also announced that he was named the Vice President of the MTSBA association for the 2020-2021 school year.

Consent Action Items

Chairman Walter asked that the Personnel Actions be removed from the Consent agenda.

- A. Minutes of the June 8, 2020 Regular meeting, June 30, 2020 special meeting.
- B. Approval of the July former and new warrants (Claims #- 45475-44468) and Payroll # 56943- 56993).

Motion by Trustee Ellermeyer, seconded by Trustee Balukas to approve the minutes of the June 8, 2020 regular meeting and June 30, 2020 special meeting and July former and new warrants. Unanimous vote for the motion.

Chairman Walter asked that Lisa Mortieau be added to the Personnel actions - Hiring recommendation.

C. Personnel Actions - Hiring Recommendations

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| i. | Brandon Crusat | - Principal |
| ii. | Lester White | - Bus Driver |
| iii. | Marla Ducello | - Kitchen Substitute |
| iv. | Lisa Mortieau | - Instructional Coach |

Motion by Trustee Ellermeyer, seconded by Trustee Bokovoy to approve the Personnel actions by including Lisa Mortieau. Unanimous vote for the motion.

Unfinished Business

High School Building Project and Construction Update

Tim Tholt, Dick Anderson Construction, updated the Board on the Construction progress for the new high school.

Bids for Obsolete & Unusable Equipment form Resolution #221

Clerk Aarstad notified the Board that two bids had been received for the Earthwalk charging cart.

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| 1. | Bonner School District | 2 carts | \$250.00 a piece |
| 2. | Absarokee School District | 4 carts | \$250.00 a piece |

Motion by Trustee Bokovoy, seconded by Trustee Murfitt to approve the two bids that were received and to allow the Superintendent to properly dispose of the items not sold. Unanimous vote for the motion.

MTSBA Policy Review 2nd Reading of 5000 Policies

Superintendent Whitmoyer presented Board Policy 5000 for Board approval.

Trustee Murfitt discussed some changes to Board policy 5000

Motion by Trustee Murfitt , seconded by Trustee Scheet to approve the second reading of Board Policy 5000 as amended Unanimous vote for the motion.

2020-2021 Budget Projections

Superintendent Whitmoyer discussed the 2020-2021 proposed budget,

New Business

Trustee Diehl arrived at the meeting at 6:16 p.m.

Update on School Planning for August 26, 2020

Superintendent Whitmoyer updated the board on the overview and planning for the upcoming school year.

Summer School Program Update

Principal Rispens updated the Board on the Summer School Program.

Sports Medicine Contract for Trainer Services

Superintendent Whitmoyer presented a recommendation from the administration to contract for trainer services to support our kids this school year with the Helena Orthopaedic Clinic. The proposed contract will begin in August when high school sports are sanctioned to begin by MHSA.

Motion by Trustee Ellermeyer, seconded by Trustee Bokovoy to approve the Sports Medicine agreement as presented. Unanimous vote for the motion.

Transportation Agreement with Helena School District

Superintendent Whitmoyer presented a cooperative agreement between East Helena School District and the Helena School District to operate transportation systems for all of our students in attendance in their respective school districts.

Motion by Trustee Bokovoy, seconded by Trustee Diehl to approve the Transportation Agreement with the Helena School District. Unanimous vote for the motion.

School Resource Officer Consideration with L & C County Sheriff's Office

Superintendent Whitmoyer introduced Sheriff Leo Dutton and Deputy James Turpin.

Sheriff Dutton discussed the School Resource Officers program and the proposed budget. The 3 year program will cost around \$241,000.00. The sheriff's department received a \$125,000.00 grant for the District's program, East Helena will need to pay \$80,000.00 and the remaining balance due for the three year program, \$36,000.00 will be split between the school district and Lewis & Clark County Sheriff's Department.

Deputy Turpin, Lewis & Clark Dare Officer, discussed the SRO program, and what a great program the SRO program will be for our district. Lewis & Clark recently hired Jeff Stoltz to fill this position, should the board approve this position.

Motion by Trustee Bokovoy, seconded by Trustee Scheet to approve the Agreement with Lewis & Clark County to hire a School Resource Office for EHHS.
Unanimous vote for the motion.

Property Acquisition for FFA Purposes

Superintendent Whitmoyer discussed the possibility of acquiring land for the school district that would support the Agriculture Pathway for student learning. A current property of interest is being developed with the Prickly Pear Land Trust (PPLT) as a parkway for an extensive trail system but holds many opportunities for outdoor science classrooms, grazing and farming skills, practical experience for Agriculture students in our FFA program.

High School Project Change Order to Build the Alternative High School

Superintendent Whitmoyer discussed the bond monies that were reserved to construct an alternative high school and 4 additional classrooms on the EHHS campus. A decision will be made at the August Board meeting.

Board Policy Review - 1st Reading of Policy Series 6000

Superintendent Whitmoyer presented Board Policy 6000 for Board approval.

Motion by Trustee Ellermeyer, seconded by Trustee Bokovoy to approve the 1st reading of Board policy 6000. Unanimous vote for the motion.

Future Meeting Dates and Agenda Items

The next regular meeting will be held on August 10, 2020 at 5:30 p.m. at East Valley Middle School Library.

Adjourned

The meeting adjourned at 8:23

Submitted by: _____
Kim Aarstad, District Clerk

Approved by: _____
Chairman, Board of Trustee Date

