

MINUTES

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

Call to Order: Trustees of School District No. 9 met in zoom meeting on June 8, 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 Kevin Bokovoy, Mark Diehl, Marcia Ellermeyer and Breck Scheet. Superintendent Ron Whitmoyer and Clerk Kim Aarstad.

Principals: Brenda Stoltz, Joe McMahon, Jill Miller, Dan Rispens, Shaun Murgel and Technology Coordinator, D.J. Howell.

Visitors: Tyler Manning, Annette Satterly, Adrienne Simonson, Rody Holman, Kevin Bartsch, Shaun Bubb, Katy Hauer and Kate Johnson

Review the Agenda

Hear the Public

No one addressed the Board

Reports

Principal and Technology Director Reports

Reports were included with Board Packet

Trustee and Committee Reports

Chairman Walter stated that the Insurance committee met last week. Their report will be discussed further in the agenda.

Strategic Plan Scanning Future Needs

No Report.

Notifications of Retirement and Resignations

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

- I. Shirley Hegreberg - Substitute Clerk

MTSBA Regional Meeting Report & June 11 General Meeting Preview

Chairman Walter discussed the regional meeting that was held on June 4, 2020, Chairman Walter was appointed as Region 11 Director at this meeting. The upcoming General Assembly meeting that will be held on June 11, 2020.

Consent Action Items

A. Minutes of the May 11, 2020 Regular meeting, May 21, 2020, May 28, 2020 and June 3, 2020 special meeting.

B. Approval of January former and new warrants (Claims #- 44236- 44331) and Payroll # 56566- 56943).

C. Personnel Actions - Hiring Recommendations

- i. Erin Finstad - Teacher
- ii. Jordan Yeary - Custodian
- iii. David Allen - Summer Custodian
- iv. Mason Skains - Summer Custodian
- v. Perry Garner - Summer Custodian
- vi. Patrick Moore - Summer Custodian (CARES)
- vii. Matt Krantz - Summer Custodian (CARES)
- viii. Brandy Gallups - EHHS Summer MTDA Tutor
- ix. Ashley Ferro - Summer Program Teacher
- x. Bryanna Brown - Summer Program DL Teacher
- xi. Kate Johnson - Summer Program Teacher
- xii. Jolette Haas - Teacher

Motion by Trustee Ellermeyer, seconded by Trustee Diehl to approve the consent agenda. 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 and reported that the Mechanical systems will go online shortly.

Clint Fisher, SMA Architect, reported that all the furniture orders are in and on schedule. Furniture will begin to arrive around the first of August. Sod will be laid some time next week.

MTSBA Policy Review 2nd Reading 3000 Policy

Superintendent Whitmoyer presented the 4000 Board policies for Board consideration.

Motion by Trustee Scheet, seconded by Trustee Ellermeyer to approve the second reading of Board Policy 4000 as presented. Unanimous vote for the motion.

MTSBA Policy Review 2nd Reading 1900 Policies

Superintendent Whitmoyer presented the 1900 Board policies for Board consideration.

Motion by Trustee Ellermeyer, seconded by Trustee Bokovoy to adopt the second reading of Board Policy 1900 as presented. Unanimous vote for the motion.

2020-2021 Budget Preview

Superintendent Whitmoyer discussed the 2020-2021 proposed budget.

Workers Compensation Insurance Carrier Selection

Superintendent Whitmoyer discussed the District Workers' Comp Insurance. Trustee Scheet reported that the Insurance committee's recommendation is to accept the lowest cost proposal from PayneWest.

Motion by Trustee Diehl, seconded by Trustee Balukas to accept the lowest cost proposal from Payne West Insurance for 1 year.

Trustee Walter, Trustee Diehl, Trustee Scheet, Trustee Balukas "Yes"

Trustee Ellermeyer & Trustee Bokovoy "No"

Motion Carried.

Appointment of a Board Member to the Trustee Vacancy

Chairman Walter reported that a Board special meeting was held on June 3, 2020 to interview Tyrel Murfitt and Anna Glueckert for the open Board position. The board appointed Tyrel Murfitt to fill the vacant board seat.

Clerk Aarstad administered the Oath of Office to Tyrel Murfitt.

Board Committee Appointments

Infrastructure & Transportation

Breck Scheet
Scott Walter
Martin Balukas

Bargaining (Certified)

Mark Diehl
Marcia Ellermeyer
Scott Walter

Bargaining (Classified)

Kevin Bokovoy
Mark Diehl
Breck Scheet

Budget, Policy & Insurance

Kevin Bokovoy
Marcia Ellermeyer
Breck Scheet

High School Transition & Curriculum Development

Kevin Bokovoy
Tyrel Murfitt
Martin Balukas

New Business

Update on School Planning for August 26, 2020

Superintendent Whitmoyer updated the Board on the planning for the upcoming school year. The plan is to open the schools for all students and also provide distance and remote learning for those families that choose the remote learning options. This plan will be in place until the governor moves the state to Phase 3.

Motion by Trustee Scheet, seconded by Trustee Bokovoy to approve the administrative plan to open the schools for the 2020-2021 school year in a block schedule plan. Unanimous vote for the motion.

Summer School Program Update

Principal Rispens discussed the planning for the upcoming summer school program. Since the current School Board motion to use remote learning until June 10th will expire on the last day of school, the return to standard operations in the school will allow summer school to proceed. Of course the district will remain committed to provide the safest possible education situation for students and staff by using the CDC and County Health Department recommendations to operate this limited program bringing the children back into school to attend the summer school program. Principal Rispens also reported that for the first time the district will be offering a distance learning program for students who do not want to come into the classrooms. The district was able to hire an instructional tutor to help 6 high school students who will be working with the Montana Digital Academy.

Motion by Trustee Bokovoy, seconded by Trustee Diehl to approve the summer school program as presented, Unanimous vote for the motion.

Title I Program Review Parent meeting

Superintendent Whitmoyer reviewed the Title I Program for K-12 for the upcoming school year. Meeting minutes are included with these minutes.

Motion by Trustee Ellermeyer , seconded by Trustee Murfitt to approve the Title I Program as presented. Unanimous vote for the motion.

Setting of Fees for 2020-2021

Superintendent Whitmoyer presented the new fee schedule to the Board.

Copies	\$0.15 per page	
Tuition Elementary	\$100	
Tuition Middle School		\$150
Tuition High School	\$175	
Student Breakfast	\$1.50*	

Reduced Breakfast	\$0.30	As required by Federal Mandates
Student Lunch	\$3.00*	
Reduced Lunch	\$0.40	
Milk – Single Carton	\$0.40	
A La Carte	\$1.00	
Adult Breakfast	\$2.00*	
Adult Lunch	\$4.30*	
Headstart Breakfast	\$1.90*	
Headstart Lunch	\$3.30*	
Headstart Snack	\$1.00	
Substitute (Certified)	\$110 to start \$120 with a minimum service cut off*	
Substitute (Non-Certified)	\$100 to start \$110 with a minimum service cut off*	
Technology Usage Fee	\$10.00 for grade levels with iPad immersion	

Substitutes for:

Tutor	As per Substitute Pay above*
Kitchen Aide 1	\$11.35/hour*
Bus Driver	\$14.85/hour*
Custodian	\$13.35/hour*
Kitchen Aide II	\$11.10/hour*
Paraprofessional	\$12.35/hour*
Secretary	\$14.10/hour*
Interpreter	\$15.85/hour*
Teacher Compensation	\$21.50/hour
Rental of gym -	\$20.00 per hour* (not including High School)
Rental of Classrooms	\$12.00 per hour* (not including High School)
Rental Athletic Fields	\$12.00 per hour* (not including High School)

(Community youth groups will be charged half (1/2) the regular hourly rate provided that 25% or more of the involved students are enrolled in East Helena Public Schools.)

(Whenever a facility is scheduled for use and a custodian is not scheduled for regular duty at that time, the user will be responsible for paying for the custodial time and cleanup at a rate of \$25.00 per hour.)

* Indicates Changes

Motion by Trustee Scheet, seconded by Trustee Ellermeyer to approve the fee schedule as presented.

Unanimous vote for the motion.

Approval of Resolution #221 - Offer Obsolete and Unusable Equipment for Bid

Motion by Trustee Ellermeyer, seconded by Trustee Bokovoy to approve Resolution #221, Obsolete and Unusable Equipment. Unanimous vote for the motion.

Board Policy Review - 1st Reading of Policy Series 5000

Superintendent Whitmoyer presented Board Policy 5000 for Board approval

Motion by Trustee Ellermeyer, seconded by Trustee Bokovoy to approve the 1st reading of Board policy 5000. Unanimous vote for the motion.

Out of District Tuition Approval

Superintendent Whitmoyer discussed the out of district tuition applications that have been received. There are an estimated 228 applications, but only 20 applications are new.

Motion by Trustee Diehl, seconded by Trustee Bokovoy to accept the applications for out of district tuition for the 2020-2021 school year. Unanimous vote for the motion.

School Resource Officer Consideration

Superintendent Whitmoyer updated the Board on the cooperative effort with the Lewis & Clark County Sheriff's Office to consider adding safety and security measures to the district in the form of a School Resource Officer (SRO)

Board was in agreement to have Superintendent Whitmoyer pursue getting an SRO officer for the District.

Retirement Budget Amendment - Resolution #222

Clerk Aarstad presented Resolution #222, Retirement Budget Amendment, for Board approval.

Motion by Trustee Bokovoy, seconded by Trustee Diehl to approve Resolution #222, Retirement Budget Amendment, as recommended by Superintendent Whitmoyer and Clerk Aarstad. Unanimous vote for the motion.

Future Meeting Dates and Agenda Items

The next regular meeting will be held on July 13, 2020 at 5:30 p.m. at East Valley Middle School Library.

The Special Year end Budget Meeting will be held on June 30, 2020 at 5:30 p.m. at East Valley Middle School Library.

Adjourned

The meeting adjourned at 8:02 p.m.

Submitted by: _____
Kim Aarstad, District Clerk

Approved by: _____
Chairman, Board of Trustee

Date