

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 regular session on August 12, 2013 at East Valley Middle School Library. Chairman Scott Walter called the meeting to order at 7:02 p.m.

Pledge of Allegiance

Attendance and Introduction of Board Members

Trustees Present: Chairman Scott Walter, Trustees Mark Diehl, Marcia Ellermeyer, Joe Nye, and Ann Marie Thompson. Superintendent Ron Whitmoyer and Clerk Kim Aarstad.

Visitors: Kerry Logan, K.D Jones, Bob Church, Joe Cohenour, Kevin Burton, Levi Burton, Parker Burton and Todd Kaxhaus.

Agenda

Motions by Trustee Ellermeyer second by Trustee Thompson to accept the agenda as presented. Unanimous vote for the motion.

Hear the Public

No one addressed the board.

Reports

High School Trustee Report

Joe Cohenour, High School Trustee reported that staff negotiations have been finished, custodians will received a 1.15% increase and most teachers will receive a Pcap step + 1%. High school budget is now at 88.5% for salaries and 11.5% for maintenance and operations. Total 2012-2013 gate receipts for the high school activities fund was \$289,000.00. The District increased lunch prices by \$.15 and breakfast prices were raised \$.5. Security cameras have been installed and are in operation. New North Valley High School Trustee is Bruce Nachtsheim.

Trustee and Committee Reports of the Board

a. Helena Food Share Update

Chairman Walter reported that the East Helena Harvest program was accepted into the Helena Food Share Program. Chairman Walter thanked the Lutheran Church for all their help in getting this program accepted.

b. K-12 Vision Group Update

Chairman Walter reported that the K-12 Vision group met on August 9, 2013.

c. Independent Elementary Caucus Update

Chairman Walter discussed the Independent Elementary Caucus meeting that was held on August 6, 2013. Current issues within the Independent Elementary Caucus were discussed along with the TRS payment that is now required by the Legislature.

d. Joint Board Chair Meeting Helena – East Helena

Chairman Walter reported that the District is still pursuing another meeting with the Helena School District.

Notifications of Retirements and Resignations

Stacey Mosher - Teacher
Sheila Covey - Cashier Food Service
Walt Joyce - Bus Driver

Consent Action Items

- A. Minutes of the Regular meeting – July 8, 2013 and Special meeting July 29, 2013
- B. Approval of July 2013 former and new warrants (Claims #36993- 37063 and Payroll # 45314 - 45434)
- C. Recommended Employment of Personnel
 - i. Lisa Crum – Instructional Tutor/Radley
 - ii. Kelsey Anthony – K Teacher/Eastgate
 - iii. Karyn Campbell-Olsen – Building Secretary/Radley
 - iv. Jana Nygaard – A.S.A.P.A.
 - v. Brenda Stoltz – Adult Education Director
 - vi. Tona Iwen – After School Program Instructor
 - vii. Lauryn Lynch – Paraprofessional & After School Program

Motion by Trustee Thompson, seconded by Trustee Nye to accept the consent agenda as presented. Unanimous vote for the motion.

Unfinished Business

Facilities Update & School Readiness for Students

Superintendent Whitmoyer updated the board on the summer cleaning and maintenance projects.

Opening for Bids for Obsolete Equipment

The following bids have been received for the district obsolete equipment:

Shirley Hegreberg	\$10.00 Typewriter	\$ 10.00
Jen Cordell	\$11.00 Typewriter	\$ 11.00
Mark Diehl	6 Air Conditioners @ \$20.00	\$120.00
Kerry Logan	\$20.00 Air Conditioner	\$ 20.00
Vaughn Cordell	\$20.00 Air Conditioner	\$ 20.00
Jennifer Nye	3 Mats @ \$10.00 per mat	\$ 30.00

Motion by Trustee Thompson, seconded by Trustee Ellermeyer to accept the obsolete equipment bids. Trustee Diehl abstained from the vote. Trustee Walter, Trustee Nye, Trustee Ellermeyer and Trustee Thompson “Yes”

Motion Carried.

Motion by Trustee Nye, seconded Trustee Thompson to have all property that did not receive a bid be disposed of by Superintendent Whitmoyer as he see fits. Unanimous vote for the motion.

Update by Great West Engineering on Project

Bob Church, Great West Engineering, updated the board on the engineering project, and the status of the grant applications. Mr. Church expressed concern about the district getting the grant monies that will be needed for the projected and asked that the Board consider getting a \$30,000.00 loan if it is needed. Mr. Church would like to have a meeting with the Infrastructure Committee on October 1, 2013.

Motion by Trustee Nye, seconded by Trustee Ellermeyer to have the district commit to a \$30,000.00 loan should we not be able to receive the grants needed. Unanimous vote for the motion.

New Business

Trustees Financial Report Approval

Clerk Aarstad presented the 2012-2013 Trustee Report for board approval.

Motion by Trustee Thompson, seconded by Trustee Diehl to adopt the 2012-2013 Trustee Report. Unanimous vote for the motion.

Final Budget Adoption

Superintendent Whitmoyer and Clerk Aarstad presented the 2013-2014 Budget.

Motion by Trustee Diehl, seconded by Trustee Nye to adopt the 2013-2014 budget as presented. Unanimous vote for the motion.

MCEL Participation for October 16-19, Billings

Superintendent Whitmoyer reminded the board about the Montana Conference on Educational Leadership Conference that will be held in Billings on October 16-18, 2013.

Safety Legislation and Other MTSBA Updates

Superintendent Whitmoyer reported that several board policy issues will be addressed at the September Board Meeting.

Sequestration and AASAQ Legislative Advocacy Conference

Superintendent Whitmoyer discussed with the Board and the public, the role that the East Helena School District played in working with the US Senators and Representatives in Washington D.C.

Future Meeting Dates and Agenda Items

The next regular meeting will be held on September 10, 2013 at the East Valley Middle School Library.

Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 9:02.

Submitted by: _____
District Clerk, Kim Aarstad

Approved by: _____ Date _____
Chairman, Board of Trustee