

BOARD OF TRUSTEES  
MINUTES OF THE MEETING  
REGULAR MEETING  
April 20, 2026 6:00 P.M. Board Room

A regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of Thompson Falls School District #2 was called to order by Chairman Sandra Muster at 6:00 P.M.

The Pledge of allegiance was recited by all.

Roll Call was done; Trustees, Ryan Frields, Jeneese Baxter, Jake Helvey-absent, Sandra Muster, Ramona Jacobson, Kali Taylor, Kaleva Law, Superintendent Bud Scully, District Clerk Stacy Milner. Visitors present are listed on the attached list.

Public Comment- Cheryl Blakney wanted to do a shout out to the administrative assistants as this week is administrative assistants' day.

Rebecca Manska and Brittnay Nichols presented Mrs. Nichols grievance to the board (see attachments). Mrs. Nichols also provided a handout to the board (see attachment). Kali Taylor presented the district's case. Ms. Taylor stated that it was a clerical mistake and it was inadvertently left out. The MOU provided by the certified union acknowledges that it was a clerical mistake. The National Board Certification was not a bargain for change during negotiations.

The Chairman asked for public comment: Katrina Nygaard commented about the MOU and precedence set. Lynette Elliott commented the MOU was to clarify eligibility. Bill McGuire commented on allowing Mrs. Nichols to move over on the matrix. The Board then had open discussion and questions regarding intent of negotiations, repercussions of the MOU, retroactive grievances, and relying on the typed contract for financial decisions. Ms. Taylor responded to the Boards questions. Ms. Manska rebuttal that the District did not provide proof, and the union has already provided a MOU.

Ryan Frields motioned to overturn Superintendent Scully's denial of the grievance and allow Mrs. Nichols to move to MA+20 without National Board Certification. Jeneese Baxter second. The vote was unanimous.

Adjustments to the Order of Agenda: None

Len Dorscher reported that the Junior High track meet was awesome and would not have been possible without the help everyone provided.

Jodi Morgan reported that the Junior class had 100% attendance for the ACT.

Elizabeth Llyod read a letter from the Trout Creek school board.

Superintendent Scully reported we are fixing all garage doors, and the new building garage door may still be under warranty. Superintendent Scully thanked Josh and Jordan for the great job on marking

the track for the meet. There will be home golf this week. Beautification Days are going great and the campuses are looking good.

Jeneese Baxter motioned to approve the consent agenda.

- a. Approve minutes from March 02, 2026, regular meeting. (Exhibit 6a.)
- b. Approve financial report, expenditure, and payment of bills. (Exhibit 6b.)
- c. Approve MOU with Anaconda Job Corps. (Exhibit 6c.)
- d. Approve volunteer coaches, Julie Detlaff, softball and Bill McGuire, track.
- e. Approve graduate, 25-26-2SR-1 based on meeting state requirements.
- f. Approve coop with Plains, Thompson Falls and Noxon for High School baseball.
- g. Approve hiring Joshua Schmidt as the Director of Maintenance.
- h. Approve hiring Sarah Naegeli as the assistant Junior High track coach.
- i. Approve hiring Taylour Lyght as a teacher for the 2026-27 school year.
- j. Approve hiring Jessie Lewis, lead teacher, Kim Milnor, and Faith Wagoner for summer school teachers.

Ramona Jacobson second the motion. The vote was unanimous.

Ramona Jacobson motioned to approve the 2026-2027 school year calendar and the Professional Development schedule. Jeneese Baxter second. The vote was unanimous.

Ryan Frields motioned to approve the Transportation Service Agreement for the 2026-2027 school year with Noxon school district. Jeneese Baxter second. Unidentified person commented on her student riding the bus. Vanessa and Cody Pallister spoke of a tri-district agreement. The vote was unanimous.

Jeneese Baxter motioned to accept resignations from Robin Miller, Callie Jacobson, Jessica Buchanan, concession coordinator, Mike Tessier, girls' basketball coach, and Suzun Kaiser effective the end of the 2025-26 school year. Ramona Jacobson abstained. Ryan Frields second. The vote was unanimous. (Muster voted)

Jeneese Baxter motioned to approve re-elections of certified staff. Ramona Jacobson second. The vote was unanimous.

The next regular meeting will be May 04, 2026, at 6:00 P.M.

Adjourned at 7:41 P.M.

Respectfully Submitted,

Approved on May 04 2026

  
 Stacy Milner, District Clerk

  
 Sandra Muster, Board Chairman