

AGENDA
Board of Trustees
Columbia Falls School District Six
Regular Board Meeting
Monday, August 17, 2026
6:00 p.m.
School District Six Board Room

- 1. Call to Order**
- 2. Pledge to the Flag**
- 3. Approval of Agenda**
- 4. Consent Agenda.**

1. Approval of the May Board Meeting Minutes – Pgs. 1-7
2. Approval of July Bills
3. Approval of Investment Reports

5. Public Participation

6. Reports

1. Written
 - Board Standing Committees –See website for reports
2. Verbal
 - Penni Anello – Glacier Gateway Principal
 - Allison Hawes – Ruder Elementary Principal
 - Ted Miller – Junior High Principal
 - Josh Gibbs – High School Principal
 - Michelle Swank – Special Ed Director
 - Mark McCord – Curriculum Director
 - MTSBA Update – Barb Riley
 - Clerk / Business Manager – Dustin Zuffelato – Pgs. 8-9
 - Superintendent – Cory Dziowgo
 - Board Chair – Jill Rocksund

7. Action/Discussion Items:

- a) High School Facility Use Agreement – Canvas Church – Pgs. 10-14
- b) Consideration of the bus route modifications for school year 26-27:
 - Route 6 – 56.30 miles – Pgs. 15-16
 - Eliminate Route 7
 - Route 17 – 31 miles – Pgs. 17-18
 - Route 21 – 42 miles – Pgs. 19-20
 - Route 22 – 36.10 miles – Pgs. 21-22
 - Route 26 – 79.25 miles – Pg. 23
 - Route 29 – 56.40 miles – Pg. 24
- c) Apportionment of ending fund balances:
 - Resolution 455 – Elementary District – Pg. 25
 - Resolution 456 – High School District – Pg. 26
- d) Adoption of FY 2027 Budget
 - Elementary District
 - High School District

8. Personnel

a. The superintendent has accepted the following resignations:

Aaron Finney	District I.T. – effective 8-19-26
Aaron Wiersma	District I.T. Director – effective 8-21-26
Kristian Jackola	Facilities and Transportation Director – effective 6-30-26

b. Consideration of the Elementary Hiring Recommendations:

Mihkaylie Muir	Pre-K Paraeducator – Glacier Gateway
Amy Hughes	Special Ed Paraeducator – Ruder
Addisyn Giles	Kindergarten Paraeducator – Glacier Gateway
Annalee Miner	Science Teacher – Junior High School
Terri Eckel	Special Education Teacher – Ruder
Cynthia Reagan	Cross Country Coach – Junior High School

c. Consideration of the following High School / District-wide Hiring Recommendations:

Stephanie Bakker	Math Teacher – HS
Caitlyn Edwards	Special Education Paraeducator - HS

d. Consideration of the following resident teacher:

- Sarah Suit Glacier Gateway

a. Consideration of the following travel request:

- Penni Anello -PBIS Conference – Chicago – October 22-23, 2026

9. Miscellaneous and Future Planning:

10. Adjournment

**The next Regular Board Meeting will be held at 6:00 p.m.,
Monday, September 14, 2026, in the School District Six Board Room**

REGULAR MEETING
BOARD OF TRUSTEES
SCHOOL DISTRICT #6
MAY 11, 2026

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The Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees of School District Six was held at 6:00 P.M., Monday, May 11, 2026, in the Boardroom of the administration offices at 501 Sixth Avenue West, Columbia Falls, Montana.

PRESENT:

Jill Rocksund Board Chair
Barbara Riley Vice Chair
Megan Upton Trustee
Heather Mumby Trustee
Amanda Pacheco Trustee
Casey Heupel Trustee
Cory Dziowgo Superintendent of Schools
Dustin Zuffelato Business Manager/Clerk

ABSENT:

Justin Cheff Trustee
Keri Hill Trustee

Call to order at 6:00 P.M. by Chair Rocksund.

CALL TO ORDER

Motion by Upton, second by Heupel, to approve the agenda as presented.
Passed 6-0.

APPROVE AGENDA

Motion by Heupel, second by Pacheco, to approve the consent agenda.

APPROVE CONSENT
AGENDA

- Approval of Board Meeting Minutes
- Approval of April Bills
- Approval of Investment Reports
- Student Activity Account Transfer request From SA account 143 to SA account 142
- Out-of-District Approval
 - o 26-212
 - o 26-213
 - o 26-214
 - o 26-215

Passed 6-0.

Public Participation:

Approximately nine (9) people participated in the meeting remotely via Google Meets.
Approximately fourteen (14) people participated in person.

PUBLIC
PARTICIPATION:

Alston Olson, Student Body President, and Emma Wilcox, Junior Class President, updated the Board with the past, present and future ongoings in the High School. The new student store is stocked and ready to open. Student Counsel's main goal with the store is to form better relations with the student body and clubs, not to raise money. There have been some changes made to the morning announcements inviting guest speakers and having fun jokes on Fridays; at some point the High School would like to bring back live announcements at least once per week. AP testing is happening during the current school week. Post season competitions in the spring sports are coming up on the following weekends. Finally, with the end of the year

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wrapping up, there are many band and choir concerts scheduled, and graduation is June 6 with Jesse Mann from Edward Jones as the guest speaker.

Charles Andrew Lilienthal, current Junior High Teacher and parent of two boys at Glacier Gateway, addressed the Board regarding approving stronger policies for the use of technology during the school day, particularly on the Chromebooks issued to students. Students are able to get around the firewalls to play non-educational games during class time. Mr. Lilienthal has read a book, *Dopamine Kids*, mentioning how these games are highly addictive and habit forming, causing issues in the learning process for students. He would also like to see time limits for students to have with the Chromebooks throughout the school day. Mr. Lilienthal's second issue to address to the Board is how losing one to two teaching positions at the Junior High will create higher numbers in the classrooms causing co-workers and families to go to other school districts in the valley.

Cassidy Lilienthal, parent of two students and sixth generation graduate of Columbia Falls, addressed the Board with her concerns of the administration cutting teaching positions to meet the budget. Mrs. Lilienthal feels that cutting teaching positions shows a disregard for children's education, especially how it relates to sports in the District where cuts do not appear to be made. Some solutions that Mrs. Lilienthal has suggested is the possibility of pay-to-play sports, or help the community to see sports as an extra for students. Mrs. Lilienthal has seen teachers searching for job elsewhere in the valley due to the District paying teachers a lower salary. One last comment by Mrs. Lilienthal is that balancing the budget should not always be on the backs of the teachers, it should be the Board's responsibility to devise more effective strategies.

REPORTS:

Written Reports:

Board Standing Committees' reports are located on the District's Website.

The Elementary School Principals (Penni Anello, Allison Hawes, and Ted Miller) provided the Board with written reports.

High School Principal, Josh Gibbs, provided the Board with a written report.

Special Services Director, Michelle Swank, provided the Board with a written report.

Verbal Reports:

Trustee Barbara Riley provided the Board with the recent proceedings of the Consortium of State School Board Associations (COSSBA) and the Montana School Board Association (MTSBA). Mrs. Riley shared that Lance Melton has given notice of retirement from MTSBA for June of 2030, giving the organization four years to work towards a process for transitioning. MTSBA is celebrating their 100th year of service in June at the planned leadership meetings. Mrs. Riley mentioned that MTSBA is putting together legislative platforms to address during the state legislation session next year, and feels that based on the number of failed levies throughout districts, it is more important than ever to reformulate the school funding process by the state. Conversations on the topic are scheduled for the morning of June 10, 2026, at the leadership meetings. On the health insurance side, Mrs. Riley shared that Bridged Health Alliance is in the middle of open enrollment, and most of the state medical facilities have accepted agreements with Allegiance on their reference-based pricing models, Logan Health being the first to sign.

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District Business Manager/Clerk provided the Board with a written report. Mr. Zuffelato shared that the new insurance program and Mikie Kimmet are working hard to put together information on BHA and Allegiance for staff members to make informed decisions on health care benefit plans during the open enrollment period. The deadline for making insurance elections is May 29, 2026. Mr. Zuffelato then mentioned the summer food program using Glacier Gateway facilities as a serving site for Monday through Thursday starting on the 22nd of June. Employees will be delivering meals to the canyon with a week's worth of food on Thursdays. This program is a per meal reimbursement and serves any children under the age of 18, whether they are part of the district or attend school elsewhere. Mr. Zuffelato and Natalie Corcoran are working through the budget to assure the District breaks even. Lastly, Mr. Zuffelato shared that the Negotiations Committee has reached a tentative agreement with the Certified Union. Once approved then contracts will be distributed with the new wages. Mr. Zuffelato reminded the Board that with student enrollment numbers decreasing the District is only getting a 1% budget increase from the state, and last year the District did give a great deal of money to the salary schedule to make wages competitive. Mr. Zuffelato acknowledged the Committee's efforts to listen to the teachers and for coming up with a solution to a difficult problem.

Superintendent Cory Dziowgo noted that the Hungry Horse News mentioned the CFHS bond website is up and running. There is a lot of important information with a tax impact calculator. Mr. Dziowgo shared the District's social media platforms are going strong and appreciate the efforts of the students to keep the community informed on the schools' activities.

Board Chair Jill Rocksund had nothing to add at this time.

Action/Discussion Items:

Motion by Heupel, second by Mumby, to approve the Audit Services Agreement with Nexus CPA for FY2026-2028.

It was mentioned that this group is the same company the District is been using for audits the last few years, and because of some retirements the name has changed this year.

Public comment was requested and there was none.

Passed 6-0.

Motion by Mumby, second by Pacheco, to approve Resolution #454 – Disposition of Abandoned, Obsolete and Undesirable Property.

Public comment was requested and there was none.

Passed 6-0.

Motion by Riley, second by Upton, to approve the Flathead Crossroads Interlocal Agreement for FY 2027. The program is currently serving seven students.

Public comment was requested and there was none.

Passed 6-0.

Motion by Riley, second by Heupel, to approve cancellation of outstanding claim warrants:

- 394002 - \$50.00 issued 1/29/2025
- 394099 - \$9.62 issued 2/12/2025

Public comment was requested and there was none.

Passed 6-0.

ACTION / DISCUSSION ITEMS:

MOTION TO APPROVE
AUDIT SERVICES
AGREEMENT WITH
NEXUS CPA FOR FY26-
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MOTION TO APPROVE
RESOLUTION 454

MOTION TO APPROVE
FLATHEAD CROSS-
ROADS INTERLOCAL
AGREEMENT FOR
FY 27

MOTION TO APPROVE
CANCELLATION OF
OUTSTANDING CLAIM
WARRANTS

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MOTION TO APPROVE
THE ADOPTION OF
NEW LANGUAGE ARTS
CURRICULUM

Motion by Pacheco, second by Upton, to approve the adoption of a new Sixth Grade Language Arts instructional resource – *Into Literature*.

Curriculum Director, Mark McCord, shared a handout with feedback from a parent meeting on the new literature program. It appears that the previously used *Springboard* program is no longer supported by the company. Last spring 6th grade teachers started looking into new programs, and *Into Literature* was the unanimous favorite. Trustee Megan Upton spent some time going through the material and felt that the students will be engaged with this curriculum material.

Public comment was requested and there was none.

Passed 5-0.

MOTION TO APPROVE
THE RENEWAL OF IN-
DEPENDENT CONTRAC-
TOR AGREEMENT WITH
LESLIE HAYDEN

Motion by Mumby, second by Riley, to approve the renewal of Independent Contractor Agreement – Physical Therapy Services with Leslie Hayden – PT for SY2026-2027.

Public comment was requested and there was none.

Passed 6-0.

MOTION TO APPROVE
CHANGES TO POLICY
1111 - ELECTION

Motion by Heupel, second by Pacheco, to approve the changes to Policy 1111 – *Election* on first and final reading.

Public comment was requested and there was none.

Passed 6-0.

MOTION TO APPROVE
CHANGES TO NUMBER-
ING OF POLICY 1112 TO
1113

Motion by Riley, second by Heupel, to approve the change in numbering of Policy 1112 – *Resignation and Other Vacancies* to 1113 on first and final reading.

Public comment was requested and there was none.

Passed 6-0.

MOTION TO APPROVE
THE ADDITION OF
POLICY 1512 F-CON-
FLICT OF INTEREST
- RELATIONSHIPS
DEFINED

Motion by Riley, second by Upton, to approve the addition of Policy 1512-F – *Conflict of Interest – Relationships Defined and Chart* on first and final reading.

Public comment was requested and there was none.

Passed 6-0.

MOTION TO APPROVE
THE COMBINING OF
POLICIES 1532, 1535,
AND 1540 ALL INTO
1532 AND ELIMINATING
THE OTHERS

Motion by Mumby, second by Riley, to approve the combining of Policies 1532 – *Trustee Insurance*, 1535 – *Indemnification and Defense of Trustees and Employees*, and 1540 – *Trustee Health Insurance* all into Policy #1532 and the elimination of Policy 1535 and 1540 on first and final reading.

Public comment was requested and there was none.

Passed 6-0.

MOTION TO APPROVE
THE ADDITION OF
POLICY 3550 AND
3550-NF (1) ON 1ST OF 3
READINGS

Motion by Heupel, second by Upton, to approve the addition of a new Policy 3550 – *Student Clubs* and Form 3550-NF (1) – *Student Clubs – School District Club Application* on first of three readings.

Public comment was requested and there was.

Passed 6-0.

MOTION TO APPROVE
HEALTH INSURANCE
COMMITTEE
RECOMMENDATIONS
FOR PLAN YEAR 27

Motion by Riley, second by Mumby, to approve the Health Insurance Committee Recommendation of changes for Plan Year 2027:

- Funding from reserves - \$187.

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- Vision and dental voluntary programs renewal with same carriers and new dental rates.
- Terminate the Employee Assistance Program.
- Telehealth – First Stop Health complete care package \$14.58 PEP
- Life Insurance carrier change from Metlife to UNUM.

Public comment was requested and there was none.

Passed 6-0.

Motion by Pacheco, second by Mumby, to canvass the results of the votes for the May 5, 2026 Trustee Election.

Public comment was requested and there was none.

Passed 6-0.

MOTION TO CANVASS
VOTES FOR THE MAY
5, 2026 TRUSTEE
ELECTION

Personnel:

PERSONNEL:

The Board acknowledged the following resignations previously accepted by the Superintendent: Suzanne Andrews – BookMobile; Katie Robinson – Ruder Elementary Special Education Teacher; Maya Garcia – Ruder Elementary Special Education Teacher; Alysha Wassam – High School Assistant Cheer Coach

Motion by Upton, second by Riley, to approve the following Elementary District hiring recommendations: Amie Dziowgo – Junior High ESL Campus Coordinator; Brady Wassam – Junior High Industrial Arts Teacher

Public comment was requested and there was none.

Passed 5-0.

MOTION TO APPROVE
ELEMENTARY HIRING
RECOMMENDATIONS

Motion by Pacheco, second by Heupel, to approve the following High School/District-wide Hiring Recommendations: Beverly Hayes – High School/Elementary Speech/Language Pathologist; Elizabeth James – High School Special Education Teacher; Maria Phelps – High School Assistant Track Coach; Amanda Piilola – High School Assistant Golf Coach; Lindsey Wendt – High School Science Teacher; Austin Barth – High School Head Boys' Basketball Coach

Public comment was requested and there was none.

Passed 6-0.

MOTION TO APPROVE
HS AND DISTRICT-
WIDE HIRING
RECOMMENDATIONS

Motion by Heupel, second by Upton, to approve the following Summer Temporary Hiring Recommendations: Sierra Robertson – Summer Food Service Helper; Tammy Graham – Summer Food Service Helper; Heather Ronne – Summer Food Service Helper; Amanda Seal – Summer Food Service Helper; Austin Barth – Summer Weight Room Supervisor

Public comment was requested and there was none

Passed 6-0.

MOTION TO APPROVE
TEMPORARY SUMMER
HIRING
RECOMMENDATIONS

Motion by Mumby, second by Riley, to approve the Junior High fall extra duty contracts.

Public comment was requested and there was none.

Passed 5-0.

MOTION TO APPROVE
ELEMENTARY FALL
EXTRA DUTY
CONTRACTS

Motion by Upton, second by Pacheco, to approve the High School fall extra duty contracts.

Public comment was requested and there was none.

Passed 6-0.

MOTION TO APPROVE
HS FALL EXTRA DUTY
CONTRACTS

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MOTION TO APPROVE
ADMINISTRATIVE
HIRES FOR FY 26-27

Motion by Riley, second by Pacheco, to approve the administrative hires for SY2026-2027.
Public comment was requested and there was none.
Passed 6-0.

MISCELLANEOUS
AND FUTURE
PLANNING:

Miscellaneous and Future Planning:

- Classified Negotiations Meeting – May 13, 2026 – 4:30 P.M.
- Canyon Building Committee – Flathead Food Bank, Clothing Swap and Community Garden – May 14, 2026
- Student Advisory Council – Jill Rocksund, Keri Hill and Justin Cheff - May 18, 2026 – 11:30 A.M.
- Policy Committee Meeting – May 18, 2026 – 5:00 P.M.
- Special Meeting followed by Work Session – May 18, 2026 – 6:00 P.M.
- High School Bond Steering Meeting – May 21, 2026 – 11:00 A.M.
- District Retirement Celebration – May 28, 2026 – 5:00 P.M.

MEETING
ADJOURNED

As there was no further business to come before the Board, Chair Rocksund adjourned the meeting at 7:02 P.M.

Board Chair

Business Manager/Clerk

ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING
BOARD OF TRUSTEES
SCHOOL DISTRICT #6
MAY 11, 2026

Unofficial

The Organizational Meeting of the Board of Trustees of School District Six was held at 7:30 P.M., Monday, May 11, 2026, in the Boardroom of the administration offices at 501 Sixth Avenue West, Columbia Falls, Montana.

PRESENT:

Jill Rocksund..... Board Chair
Barbara Riley Vice Chair
Megan Upton..... Trustee
Heather Mumby Trustee
Amanda Pacheco Trustee
Casey Heupel Trustee
Cory Dziowgo Superintendent of Schools
Dustin Zuffelato Business Manager/Clerk

ABSENT:

Justin Cheff..... Trustee
Keri Hill Trustee

Call to order at: 7:28 P.M.

Flathead County Superintendent of Schools, Marcia Stolfus, administered the Oath of Office to re-elected Trustees Barbara Riley and Megan Upton.

District Clerk, Dustin Zuffelato, requested nominations for Board Chairperson.
Motion by Mumby, second by Riley, to nominate Jill Rocksund to serve as Board Chairperson.
There were no further nominations.
Passed 6-0.

Board Chair, Jill Rocksund, requested nominations for Board Vice Chairperson.
Motion by Upton, second by Pacheco, to nominate Barb Riley to serve as Board Vice Chairperson. There were no further nominations
Public comment was requested and there was none.
Passed 6-0.

Board Chair, Jill Rocksund, requested nominations for District Clerk.
Motion by Mumby, second by Riley, to appoint Dustin Zuffelato to serve as District Clerk.
There were no further nominations.
Passed 6-0.

The Board reviewed the Board Standing Committee members, and if anyone wish to make a change he/she is to contact Chair Rocksund.

As there was no further business to come before the Board Chair Rocksund adjourned the meeting at 7:33 P.M.

CALL TO ORDER

OATH OF OFFICE
ADMINISTERED TO
TRUSTEE RILEY AND
TRUSTEE UPTON

MOTION TO
NOMINATE JILL
ROCKSUND AS
BOARD CHAIR

MOTION TO
NOMINATE BARB
RILEY AS BOARD
VICE-CHAIR

MOTION TO APPOINT
DUSTIN
ZUFFELATO TO
SERVE AS DISTRICT
CLERK

MEETING
ADJOURNED

Board Chair

I - 7 - Manager/Clerk

TO: Board of Trustees
FROM: Dustin Zuffelato, Business Manager/Clerk
RE: Business Office Report for the August 17, 2026 Regular Meeting

September 29, 2026 HS GO Bond Election:

The ballot was certified on August 5th. The ballot language contains the updated taxable valuations provided by the Dept of Revenue on 8/4. The tax value increased 27%, significantly altering the tax impact of the levy proposition. Specifically, the tax impact for a \$600k home was reduced from \$409 to \$321. The District appreciates the opportunity to capture these revised values in the final ballot language. The mail ballot plan was submitted to the Secretary of State and published on our website on July 31, 2026. There are 10,202 active voters in the HS District. Ballots will be mailed September 9th.

Bus Route Modifications:

Changes were proposed and approved by the Flathead County Transportation Committee on July 22nd. Overall the mileage change will impact the budget very marginally. However, a change the District is working to implement is not the route itself, but the vehicle used to operate the route. The route to Crossroads School in Evergreen will serve approximately five students. The District is working on devising an efficient strategy to transport these students. This route is currently operated by an 84-passenger propane bus. This yields a \$2.97 per mile reimbursement from the state/county on schedule payment. This provides \$42,367 of on schedule reimbursement. If the District utilized a Class E vehicle to transport these five students, there would be efficiency in terms of both the driver as well as fuel. The driver would not require a CDL, which provides enhanced opportunity for recruitment. The hourly rate is lower for non cdl drivers. Finally, the fuel efficiency of changing from 5 miles per gallon to approximately 15, would reduce the fuel expense. With these efficiencies of operating a Class E vehicle, the on-schedule reimbursement decreases to \$.83 per mile, reducing the reimbursement to \$11,839. The District is working on procuring the vehicle and at what price point would this change be of value to the District. Another change the District made is to eliminate route 7. This is to align to the number of drivers and student loads on each bus. Route 7 was 37.8 miles per day. This generated \$~20,000 in on-schedule reimbursement. A summary of the changes is noted below:

Route	Miles FY27	On Schedule Reimb FY26	On Schedule Reimb FY27	Change
6	56.30	\$29,617	\$30,097	\$480
7	37.8	\$20,208	0	\$(20,208)
17	31.0	\$17,428	\$16,572	\$(856)
21	42.0	\$23,896	\$22,453	\$(1,443)
22	36.10	\$20,315	\$19,299	\$(1,016)
26	79.25	\$44,371	\$11,840	\$(32,531)
29	56.40	\$30,506	\$30,151	\$(355)
				\$(54,929)

Total Routes in FY27 – 13

Bus Driver Budget – FY26 \$669,365

Bus Driver Budget – FY27 \$512,003

Adopted Budget:

1. General Fund- Enrollment continues to trend lower. ANB for budget is down 33 in the ELEM and 16 in the HS. Actual ANB would be less. The three year average has mitigated the loss but this masking will plague the District going forward as even if actual enrollment was the same next school year, the projected ANB would go down 52 in the ELEM and 14 in the HS. The funding of the general fund in FY27 has some notable changes as a result of implementation of HB 156. The District Base Levy (local) was replaced with a Countywide Levy. The local levy funding the base budget in FY26 (PY) was \$1,915,836 and has been completely eliminated. To further complicate things and what came as a total surprise in early August was the ability for the District to use anticipated tuition revenue received from other District for serving out of district students to increase the general fund budget authority. This amounted to an additional **\$301,573**. As this is deemed to be a one time only blip, the District recommends using the additional budget authority to restore funds in the Elem Tech Fund and not add any additional ongoing costs.
2. Tuition Fund – The levy continues to increase as a relief valve to serve students with exceptional needs. The increased budget of \$297,833 or 20% will fund para educators and certified staff serving students with one on one needs.
3. Transportation Fund – The number of bus routes continues to decline in an effort to maximize routes and bus capacity. The on-schedule reimbursement based on the lower miles (routes) is budgeted to decrease \$91,902. Budgeted expenses to transport students from home to school are \$205,648 lower. The local tax levy for this fund decreased.
4. Building Reserve Fund – The balance available for school major maintenance projects increased \$107,667 to \$336,211 in the Elem District and remained consistent at about \$100,000 in the HS District. The HS Building Reserve Levy for the roof will no longer be levied resulting in a reduction of \$1,375,000 or 16 mills.

Mill Levy/Tax Values:

Total local funds necessary (Local Levy) to fund the proposed FY27 Budget decreased (significantly) \$2,745,917 or 22%. This is a result of \$1,915,837 reduction in the General Fund as a result of HB 156 and \$1,378,775 reduction to the HS Building Reserve Levy. The certified tax value also increased significantly approximately 27%. These two factors both pulling in the same direction resulted in a mill levy decrease of 80.73 mills. This represents a 37% reduction. When estimating the tax impact of the mill levy reduction and the assessment rate reduction, the tax impact of the mills levied in FY27 as compared to FY 26 on a home with a market value of \$600k is a reduction from \$1,148 to \$674. This decrease of \$474 annually or 41% reduction would more than pay for the proposed high school GO Bond levy proposition as the impact for this is estimated at \$321.

Monthly Insurance Claim Summary

The District does not currently have access to Bridged Health Claims. The District has paid claims via ACH directly from the Treasurer's account to Bridged Health, which will allow the District to close the separate account used to process claims as soon as EBMS has paid all claims incurred under the old plan. With regards to transitioning to the new statewide program, the main issue the District is still working to resolve is related to the Flex and HSA accounts. Enrollment was finally provided to Allegiant at the beginning of August so they could build out the members enrolled. The District has been processing deductions and funding our Flex Plan account used to pay claims, but members have not been able to access these funds.

RENTAL AGREEMENT

THIS AGREEMENT is made by and between School District 6, 501 6th Ave. W., Columbia Falls, Montana, telephone number 892-6550, herein referred to as LANDLORD, and the Canvas Church, 255 Summit Ridge Dr Kalispell MT 59901, telephone number (406) 752-6426, herein referred to as TENANT.

The TENANT desires to rent a portion of the Columbia Falls High School to provide church services on a weekly basis on Sundays between the hours of 5 am and 5 pm. On occasion, TENANT may add additional days of service. TENANT will notify LANDLORD when additional days would like to be added. Additional use will only be granted when school activities are not being conducted or adequate supervision by the District is readily available to ensure the safety of the students.

WITNESSETH:

That the LANDLORD, for and in consideration of the rent in the amount stated below, does hereby rent to TENANT, the following described premises:

Little Theatre and the front commons area as well as the cafeteria and restroom facilities within Columbia Falls High School located at 610 13th St W, Columbia Falls, MT 59912.

The rented property also includes the following:

- Little Theatre
- Commons area at the front of the school
- First floor student restrooms
- Cafeteria area (not the kitchen)

THEREFORE, in consideration of the mutual promises contained herein, and for other good and valuable consideration, it is agreed:

TERM:

The term of the lease shall commence on the **1st day of September 2026** and end on **August 31, 2027**. The parties agree to review and evaluate contract renewal options for the following school year during March of 2027. The agreement and use of the building is subject to cancellation upon either party providing a four (4) month written notice to enable the cancellation of the agreement prior to the expiration of the lease term.

RENT:

TENANT shall pay to LANDLORD a monthly rental fee of \$2,000.00. Each installment payment shall be due by the 10th day of each month to LANDLORD at the following address: Columbia Falls School District, Attn: Business Manager, Box 1259, Columbia Falls, Montana 59912.

UTILITIES:

LANDLORD shall pay charges for electricity, water, sewer, trash removal, and heat. The TENANT will be responsible for providing their own telephone and wireless internet access.

DAILY MAINTENANCE:

TENANT shall be responsible for cleaning the rented premises including the common-use restrooms, general hallways, and spaces utilized. LANDLORD will provide the proper chemicals and equipment to complete the task and provide training on the proper procedures and usage. TENANT will remove snow only from areas immediately adjacent to its entrance and utilized parking lots. TENANT will be able to contract snow removal services at its own cost.

INSURANCE:

TENANT shall at its own expense, maintain a policy or policies of comprehensive insurance with respect to the particular activities in the Building with the premiums thereon fully paid on or before due date. Such insurance policy shall be issued by and binding upon an insurance company approved by LANDLORD, name the LANDLORD as additional insured, and shall afford the following minimum protections:

- \$2,000,000 General Aggregate
- \$1,000,000 Personal Injury
- \$1,000,000 Each Occurrence
- \$50,000 Fire Damage
- \$5,000 per occurrence-Medical Payment coverage

TENANT shall provide LANDLORD with current Certificates of Insurance evidencing TENANT's compliance with this Paragraph.

TENANT shall be responsible, at their own expense, for insurance coverage on all its personal property, including removable trade fixtures, located in the leased premises.

ENTRY:

LANDLORD shall have the right to enter upon the rented premises at reasonable hours to inspect the same, provided LANDLORD shall not thereby unreasonably interfere with TENANT's business on the rented Premises. LANDLORD shall have the right to use the remaining area in the building during the period the TENANT is occupying the building. The TENANT shall keep secure the rented premises and other common areas TENANT uses for ingress/egress or otherwise. This implies that the building will be locked with the exception to allow patrons to periodically access TENANT's rented premises. During the term of this agreement, TENANT shall have the non-exclusive use in common with LANDLORD, other tenants of the Building, their guests and invitees, of the non-reserved common automobile parking areas, driveways, and footways, subject to rules and regulations for the use thereof as prescribed from time to time by LANDLORD. TENANT shall ensure rented premises are secured prior to daily departure. Securing the building includes, but is not limited to shutting off lights, electrical equipment, space heaters, coffee machines, closing windows and locking all the doors. TENANT will be responsible for damage as a result of failure to secure the rented portion of the building resulting from its own omission, willful, wanton, or negligent conduct. TENANT is only liable for damage caused by its own negligence within areas under its control. TENANT shall only be liable for damages directly caused by the negligent or intentional acts or omissions of the TENANT, its employees, volunteers, or agents. Neither party shall be liable for consequential, incidental, or special damages.

USE OF EQUIPMENT:

LANDLORD will allow use of tables, chairs, equipment, and any cabinets/shelves necessary to conduct TENANT's business that is already on-site as of the commencement of this agreement.

BUILDING RULES:

TENANT will comply with the policies of the District (such as no tobacco use) adopted and altered by LANDLORD from time to time and will cause all of its agents, employees, invitees and visitors to do so; all changes to such rules will be sent by LANDLORD to TENANT in writing. There will be no alcoholic beverages brought into or consumed in the school building.

WEAPONS AND FIREARMS PROHIBITION:

In accordance with Montana Code Annotated § 45-8-361 and the federal Gun-Free School Zones Act, no firearms, dangerous weapons, or explosives of any kind are permitted on District grounds or inside District facilities at any time. TENANT agrees to strictly enforce this prohibition among its staff, volunteers, members, and visitors. Active law enforcement officers are the sole exception to this restriction. Non-compliance shall constitute a material breach of this Agreement and cause for immediate termination.

DUTY TO REPAIR:

The LANDLORD shall put the premises into condition fit for use by TENANT by the commencement of this tenancy and shall repair all subsequent dilapidation which may render the premises unsafe or unusable; provided however, the TENANT agrees to provide an immediate notice to the LANDLORD of any condition requiring repair. TENANT shall be relieved from paying rent and other charges during any portion of the rental term that the rented Premises are inoperable or unfit for occupancy, or use, in whole or in part, for TENANT's purposes. Rentals and other charges paid in advance for any such periods shall be credited on the next ensuing payments, if any, but if no further payments are to be made, any such advance payments shall be refunded to TENANT.

ALTERATION:

TENANT shall not make any physical alterations, additions, structural changes, or permanent modifications to the leased premises without the express prior written consent of the LANDLORD. TENANT may install temporary, non-permanent signage, portable audio/visual equipment, and staging on days of use, provided such items are completely removed at the end of each use period and cause no damage to District property. Any approved modifications shall be made at TENANT's sole expense.

COLLABORATIVE FACILITY & SYSTEM UPGRADES:

LANDLORD and TENANT recognize the mutual benefit of enhancing the audio, visual, lighting, and technical capabilities within the Little Theatre and Commons areas. TENANT and LANDLORD (including designated District staff and teachers) agree to work collaboratively to plan, coordinate, and implement any desired system enhancements.

All proposed equipment, installation plans, and system integrations shall be mutually agreed upon prior to installation to ensure full compatibility with school programs, student instruction, and facility safety.

Shared Use and Equipment Retention: Upgraded equipment and technical improvements introduced under this effort shall be available for shared use by both the District during the school week and TENANT during scheduled use periods. Unless otherwise agreed in writing, all equipment, fixtures, and technical improvements purchased and installed by TENANT shall remain the property of TENANT during the initial term of this Agreement and any renewal terms. If TENANT has continuously occupied the premises under this Agreement (including any renewals) for a period of at least three (3) consecutive years, TENANT agrees that all permanently installed equipment and fixtures that remain in the facility at the conclusion of its occupancy shall become the property of LANDLORD as a permanent gift and enhancement to the District's facilities as desired by the LANDLORD. If this Agreement terminates before TENANT has completed three (3) consecutive years of occupancy, TENANT shall have the right, at its sole expense, to remove any equipment it installed, provided such removal does not cause material damage to the premises. TENANT shall repair any damage resulting from such removal, and restore to original condition.

NOTICE:

Any notice required or permitted under this Lease shall be deemed sufficiently given or served if sent by United States certified mail, return receipt requested, addressed as follows:

Landlord: Columbia Falls School District
Attn: Business Manager
Box 1259
Columbia Falls, Montana 59912

Tenants: Canvas Church
255 Summit Ridge Dr Kalispell MT 59901

LANDLORD and TENANT shall each have the right from time to time to change the place notice is to be given under this paragraph by written notice thereof to the other party.

INDEMNIFICATION:

Each party agrees to indemnify and hold harmless the other party, and its respective directors, stockholders, affiliates, officers, agents, employees, and permitted successors and assigns against any and all claims, losses, damages, liabilities, penalties, punitive damages, expenses, reasonable legal fees and costs of any kind or amount whatsoever, which result from or arise out of any act or omission of the indemnifying party, its respective directors, stockholders, affiliates, officers, agents, employees, and permitted successors and assigns that occurs in connection with this Agreement. This indemnification will survive the termination of this Agreement.

DISPUTES:

In the event a dispute over the enforcement or performance of this agreement results in litigation, the parties agree the proper venue is Flathead County and the substantially prevailing party shall be entitled to reasonable attorney's fees and costs.

WHOLE AGREEMENT:

The parties agree and affirm this agreement is the entirety of the agreement entered into between them. Any modification of such shall be made in writing.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties have executed this Lease as of the day and year first above written.

Date

BY: _____
Jenelle Wilson
Finance Director
Canvas Church
255 Summit Ridge Dr Kalispell MT 59901

Date

BY: _____
Dr. Jill Rocksund
Board Chairman of School District 6
P.O. Box 1259 Columbia Falls, MT 59912

606 AM

AIDE:

DRIVER NAME: Wanner, David

BUS NUMBER: 6

Daily DISTANCE: 56.3

NO STOPS: 26

TIME	LOCATION/COMMENT
1 6:51 AM	BUS BARN
2 7:00 AM	4350 TRUMBLE CREEK RD
3 7:02 AM	1221 CONN RD
4 7:04 AM	LASALLE RV PARK
5 7:06 AM	355 HODGSON RD
6 7:07 AM	HODGSON & GREAT BEAR
7 7:11 AM	3030 TRUMBLE CREEK RD
8 7:13 AM	846 WISHART RD
9 7:14 AM	115 CLEARVIEW PL
10 7:16 AM	350 WISHART RD
11 7:16 AM	RUNWAY AND WISHART
12 7:20 AM	174 PIONEER RD
13 7:20 AM	PIONEER AND DAVIS
14 7:21 AM	253 PIONEER RD
15 7:21 AM	PIONEER & HELENA FLATS
16 7:22 AM	HELENA FLATS RD & HUMMINGBIRD DR (NW)
17 7:26 AM	NORTHWESTERN ENERGY SUBSTATION
18 7:33 AM	GRANITE HILL
19 7:37 AM	122 PHEASANT RD
20 7:38 AM	FALCON ACRES LOOP WEST
21 7:39 AM	3500 SUNNY LN
22 7:46 AM	COLUMBIA FALLS JUNIOR HIGH

	TIME	LOCATION/COMMENT	COUNT
23	7:47 AM	RUDER ELEMENTARY	
24	7:49 AM	COLUMBIA FALLS HIGH SCHOOL	
25	7:51 AM	GLACIER GATEWAY ELEMENTARY	
26	7:53 AM	BUS BARN END	

ROUTE 17

BUS NUMBER: 17

DISTANCE DAILY: 31

NO STOPS: 26

TIME	LOCATION/COMMENT
1	BUS BARN EAST
2	238 KELLEY RD
3	316 KELLEY RD
4	388 KELLEY RD
5	KELLEY RD & COLUMBIA MEADOWS DR (SW)
6	520 KELLEY RD
7	KELLEY RD & UNKNOWN (SW)
8	688 KELLEY RD
9	710 KELLEY RD
10	760 KELLEY RD
11	JENSEN RD & AUSSIE CT (SE)
12	839 JENSEN RD
13	875 JENSEN RD
14	JENSEN RD & UNKNOWN (SE)
15	JENSEN RD & UNKNOWN (SE)
16	320 MOUNTAIN AVE
17	7591 HWY 2 E
18	MONTE VISTA DRIVE / MONTE VISTA WAY
19	7:43 AM 1275 BERNE RD
20	1229 BERNE RD
21	BERNE RD & COLUMBIA MOUNTAIN RD (N)
22	GLACIER GATEWAY ELEMENTARY

TIME LOCATION/COMMENT

23 COLUMBIA FALLS HIGH SCHOOL

24 COLUMBIA FALLS JUNIOR HIGH

25 RUDER ELEMENTARY

26 BUS BARN EAST

ROUTE 21

BUS NUMBER: 21

DISTANCE DAILY: 42

NO STOPS: 31

TIME	LOCATION/COMMENT
1	BUS BARN EAST
2	HIGHWAY 206 & SHOOTING STAR DR (NW)
3	HWY 206 / FIREHALL LN
4	HIGHWAY 206 & COLUMBIA MEADOWS DR (NW)
5	HIGHWAY 206 & RED HAWK LN
6	HIGHWAY 206 & LYNNEWOOD DR (NW)
7	2929 HWY 206
8	HWY 206 / GRASS RANGE PL
9	595 ECKELBERRY DR
10	ECKLEBERRY / COLUMBIA RANGE
11	ECKELBERRY / HWY 206
12	190 TRAP RD
13	395 TRAP RD
14	2747 MIDDLE RD
15	2821 MIDDLE RD
16	394 BADROCK DR
17	BAD ROCK DR & STONEFLY WAY (SW)
18	BAD ROCK DR & LARRY LN (SW)
19	230 JENSEN RD (JUST FOR KIDS)
20	JENSEN RD & BISON HOLLOW RD
21	HIGHWAY 206 & TALLENT LN
22	106 PECK ST

ROUTE 22

DISTANCE DAILY : 36.10

BUS NUMBER: 22

NO STOPS: 30

TIME	LOCATION/COMMENT
1	BUS BARN EAST
2	4188 COLUMBIA FALLS STAGE
3	COLUMBIA FALLS STAGE & RED BARN RD (NW)
4	COLUMBIA FALLS STAGE & RAINBOW RIDGE TRL
5	COLUMBIA FALLS STAGE & BURKE LN (NW)
6	3884 COLUMBIA FALLS STAGE
7	3698 COLUMBIA FALLS STAGE
8	COLUMBIA FALLS STAGE & HELLMAN LN (NE)
9	3371 COLUMBIA FALLS STAGE
10	3354 COLUMBIA FALLS STAGE
11	COLUMBIA FALLS STAGE & CAROL LN
12	3284 COLUMBIA FALLS STAGE
13	3250 COLUMBIA FALLS STAGE
14	3080 COLUMBIA FALLS STAGE
15	2640 COLUMBIA FALLS STAGE
16	COLUMBIA FALLS STAGE & RIVER ESTATES DR
17	530 TRAP RD
18	3387 MIDDLE RD
19	467 MIDDLE RD
20	3533 MIDDLE RD
21	CF STAGE & ROGERS

TIME	LOCATION/COMMENT
22	210 ROGERS RD
23	225 ROGERS RD
24	ROGERS & STEPPE LANE
25	402 ROGERS RD
26	GLACIER GATEWAY ELEMENTARY
27	COLUMBIA FALLS JUNIOR HIGH
28	RUDER ELEMENTARY
29	COLUMBIA FALLS HIGH SCHOOL
30	BUS BARN

ROUTE 26

BUS NUMBER: 26

DAILY DISTANCE: 79.25

NO STOPS: 8

TIME LOCATION/COMMENT

- 1 BUS BARN EAST
- 2 1215 FRONTAGE RD
- 3 323 BILLS LN
- 4 KOKANEE BEND DR
- 5 541 EVENING STAR LN
- 6 16 DIANE RD
- 7 CROSSROADS
- 8 BUS BARN END

296 AM

AIDE:

DRIVER NAME: Perry, Dean

BUS NUMBER: 29

Daily DISTANCE: 56.4

NO STOPS: 18

TIME	LOCATION/COMMENT
1 7:01 AM	BUS BARN EAST
2 7:15 AM	FIREHALL @ SEVILLE LANE
3 7:16 AM	1070 OLD HWY 2 E
4 7:16 AM	OLD HWY 2 / KUZMIC
5 7:17 AM	OLD HIGHWAY 2 / DESERT HOLLOW
6 7:20 AM	HWY 2 / GLADYS GLENN
7 7:21 AM	150 CORAM STAGE
8 7:23 AM	345 CORAM STAGE
9 7:26 AM	541 CORAM STAGE
10 7:26 AM	CORAM COMMUNITY CHURCH
11 7:31 AM	ZIP TRIP HH
12 7:32 AM	1ST AVE / 5TH ST HH
13 7:32 AM	1ST AVE / 6TH ST HH
14 7:41 AM	GLACIER GATEWAY ELEMENTARY
15 7:44 AM	COLUMBIA FALLS HIGH SCHOOL
16 7:48 AM	COLUMBIA FALLS JUNIOR HIGH
17 7:49 AM	RUDER ELEMENTARY
18 7:52 AM	BUS BARN WEST

Resolution 455
Board of Education
School District #6

Apportionment of Ending Fund Balances - Elementary District

The Board of Trustees of School District Six designates the following amounts as Unreserved Fund Balances Re-appropriated and Operating Fund Reserves for the year 2026-27

Fund	Ending Fund Balance 6/30/26	Unreserved Fund Balance Reappropriated	Operating Fund Reserves	Percent of Budget
General	916,227.77	0.00	916,227.77	7.06 %
Transportation	311,332.58	154,373.18	156,959.40	20.00 %
Bus Reserve	25,063.08	25,063.08	0.00	0.00 %
Tuition	39,119.38	39,119.38	0.00	0.00 %
Retirement	496,895.93	89,967.33	406,928.60	20.00 %
Technology Acq.	746,716.65	746,716.65	0.00	0.00 %
Flex	27,915.72	27,915.72	0.00	0.00 %
Debt Service	470,348.71	264,551.71	205,797.00	7.51 %
Building Reserve	442,791.62	442,791.62	0.00	0.00 %

Date

Signature of Board Chair

Date

Signature of Clerk/Business Manager

Resolution 456
Board of Education
School District #6

Apportionment of Ending Fund Balances - High School District

The Board of Trustees of School District Six designates the following amounts as Unreserved Fund Balances Reappropriated and Operating Fund Reserves for the year 2026-27.

Fund	Ending Fund Balance 6/30/26	Unreserved Fund Balance Reappropriated	Operating Fund Reserves	Percent of Budget
General	459,887.57	0.00	459,887.57	6.53 %
Transportation	167,931.91	80,700.91	87,231.00	20.00%
Bus Reserve	11,143.74	11,143.74	0.00	0.00%
Tuition	12,611.33	12,611.33	0.00	0.00%
Retirement	372,655.81	160,615.21	212,040.60	20.00%
Adult Education	25,228.38	25,228.38	0.00	0.00%
Technology Acq.	61,479.36	61,479.36	0.00	0.00%
Flex	29,420.85	29,420.85	0.00	0.00%
Building Reserve	63,973.80	63,973.80	0.00	0.00%

Date

Signature of Board Chair

Date

Signature of Clerk/Business Manager