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Regular Board Meeting

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9 **April 14, 2015** **7:00 p.m.** **Music Center Choir Room**

10 **1. Opening of meeting – call to order – present – salute to flag:**

11 Madam Chairwoman Cathi Cook called the board meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. in the
12 Music Center Choir Room. Cathi Cook led in the pledge of allegiance. Trustees present were
13 Dawn Shinn, Roger Bardsley, Greg Trangmoe, Chris Berthoud, Tim Schreiber and Penny Bertram.
14 Kevin Beller was not present. Superintendent David Whitesell, Brian Gum, Jacklyn Mavencamp,
15 Tracey Rogstad, Nate Fry, Karen Dozier and Carolyn Cook were present.

16 **2. Approval of minutes of previous meetings (Regular: 03/10/15)**

17 Madam Chairwoman Cathi Cook asked the trustees if they had any questions or comments on the
18 regular board meeting on March 10, 2015, as presented. After a comment about changing the
19 wording on page 9, line 6 from “.01” to “.1”, the minutes were passed by unanimous consent with
20 the changes.

21 **3. Approval of Claims:**

22 Madam Chairwoman Cathi Cook asked if there were any questions or comments on the
23 claims or students’ accounts. Cathi told the Board the district has claims in the amount of
24 \$142,309.74 starting with claim #29808 and ending with claim #29921 and students’ account in
25 the amount of \$13,265.26. After comments from the Board on some of the claims, Roger
26 Bardsley made a motion to approve the claims and students’ accounts as presented. Greg
27 Trangmoe seconded the motion. All voted aye.

1 **4. Recognize Visitors/Public Comment:**

2 **Public Comment:**

3 Vicky Motley told the Board that Trevor was still in Bozeman and that the FFA students
4 went to the State Convention and the Agronomy team took 1st place this year. Vicky told the
5 Board that Trevor was elected as the State Parliamentarian for next year and that Jennica Hopcroft
6 got gold for Proficiency at the state convention.

7 Sue Wasser, the districts FCS teacher, told the Board the district has 9 foreign exchange
8 students here at the district. Sue told the Board the district decided to introduce the students to the
9 Board and have the students prepare a food from their country and present them to the Board. Sue
10 told the Board that six of the nine students are here tonight. Each student talked about where they
11 are from and the food they prepared for the Board. Cathi and the Board thanked Sue and the
12 students for the great presentation and the food.

13 **Board Comment:**

14 Dawn thanked the board for allowing her to go to the budget training workshop in
15 Missoula.

16 **5. Stevensville School Community Conservation Update – Cathi Cook:**

17 Cathi Cook updated the Board on the concerns that were brought up to the Stevensville
18 Community group over the last few meetings. Cathi told the Board their next meeting will be on
19 May 7, 2015 at 6:30 p.m. in the Middle School library loft. Cathi talked about the goals they are
20 working on. Cathi also told the Board they are going to the town council meeting to get them
21 involved with the Stevensville Community group.

22 **6. School Improvement Team Report - Sager:**

23 Madam Chairwoman Cathi Cook turned the floor over to Stacey Sager. Stacey updated
24 the Board on the all the things the school improvement team is doing and that they are
25 concentrating on goals 3 and 4 at this time. Stacey told the Board that Mr. Schreiber came to their
26 last meeting. After comments from the Board on if it was possible for the Board to get an agenda
27 on the things they will be discussing at the next meeting, Cathi moved onto the next agenda item.

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1 **8. Business: Items for Action**

2 **A. Discuss/Decision 2014 Audit Report – Denning, Downing & Associates, P.C.**

3 Madam Chairwoman Cathi Cook told the Board the auditor was here this morning and met
4 with the resource committee. Cathi told the Board the district has one finding this year and Cathi
5 explained how that finding came about. Cathi asked the Board if they have any comments or
6 questions on the audit. Greg Trangmoe made a motion to approve the audit as presented. Penny
7 Bertram seconded the motion. All voted aye.

8 **B. Discuss/Decision on Interagency Transportation Agreement – BVEC (Preschool
9 Bus)**

10 Madam Chairwoman Cathi Cook asked the Board if they have any comments or questions
11 on the Interagency Transportation as presented. Superintendent David Whitesell told the Board
12 this is an annual agreement that needs to be approved every year. After a comment from the
13 Board on if this is the same agreement as last years agreement, Greg Trangmoe made a motion to
14 approve the transportation agreement as presented. Tim Schreiber seconded the motion. All
15 voted aye.

16 **C. Discuss/Decision Recommendation to Hire CNA – Monica Lindquist**

17 Madam Chairwoman Cathi Cook asked the Board if they have any questions on the hiring
18 of Monica Lindquist as a CNA for the remainder of the 2014-2015 school year. Superintendent
19 David Whitesell told the Board there is a need for this position in the district. After comments
20 from the Board if there will be a need for this position next year, Dawn Shinn made a motion to
21 hire Monica Lindquist for the remainder of the 2014-2015 school year as presented. Tim
22 Schreiber seconded the motion. All voted aye.

23 **D. Discuss/Decision Recommendation to Accept Teachers Resignation:**

24 **i. HS Math Teacher – Rebecca Thompson**

25 **ii. HS/MS Science Teacher – Austin Thompson**

26 **iii. Elementary Teacher – Christine Middlemas**

27 **iv Middle School Counselor – Karen Nebel**

28 Madam Chairwoman Cathi Cook told the Board the district received a resignation letter

1 from Rebecca Thompson as a High School Math teacher. Dawn Shinn made a motion to approve
2 the resignation letter from Rebecca Thompson as presented. Tim Schreiber seconded the motion.
3 All voted aye.

4 Madam Chairwoman Cathi Cook told the Board the district received a resignation letter
5 from Austin Thompson as a High School Science teacher. Dawn Shinn made a motion to approve
6 the resignation letter from Austin Thompson as presented. Greg Trangmoe seconded the motion.
7 All voted aye.

8 Madam Chairwoman Cathi Cook told the Board the district received a resignation letter
9 from Christine Middlemas as an Elementary teacher. Greg Trangmoe made a motion to approve
10 the resignation letter from Christine Middlemas as presented. Dawn Shinn seconded the motion.
11 Dawn Shinn, Roger Bardsley, Greg Trangmoe, Chris Berthoud, Cathi Cook and Tim Schreiber
12 voted aye. Penny Bertram could not vote.

13 Madam Chairwoman Cathi Cook told the Board the district received a resignation letter
14 from Karen Nebel as a Middle School counselor. Dawn Shinn made a motion to approve the
15 resignation letter from Karen Nebel as presented. Greg Trangmoe seconded the motion. Dawn
16 Shinn, Roger Bardsley, Greg Trangmoe, Chris Berthoud, Cathi Cook and Tim Schreiber voted
17 aye. Penny Bertram could not vote.

18 **E. Discuss/Decision Recommendation for Substitute Positions – See Attached**

19 Madam Chairwoman Cathi Cook asked the superintendent if the district has received the
20 background checks on the people they have approved at the last few board meetings. David told
21 the Board the district has received all the backgrounds checks back now. Cathi told the Board
22 that Elizabeth Kennard is the only one that needs to be approved tonight. Cathi asked the Board if
23 they have any questions on the hiring of Elizabeth Kennard as a teacher sub. Greg Trangmoe
24 made a motion to hire Elizabeth Kennard as a teacher sub as presented. Dawn Shinn seconded
25 the motion. All voted aye.

26 **F. Discuss/Decision Spring Sports Junior High Coaching**

27 **i. Hire Intramural Volleyball – Julie Hinson**

28 **ii. Hire Intramural Basketball – Tif Myers**

1 **iii. Hire Intramural Basketball – Andrea Mooney**

2 **iv. Resignation JH Assist. Football Coach – Ted Adams**

3 Madam Chairwoman Cathi Cook asked the Board if they have any questions on the hiring
4 of Julie Hinson as the Intramural volleyball coach for the 2014-2015 school year. Tim Schreiber
5 made a motion to hire Julie Hinson as presented. Roger Bardsley seconded the motion. Dawn
6 Shinn, Roger Bardsley, Greg Trangmoe, Chris Berthoud, Cathi Cook and Tim Schreiber voted
7 aye. Penny Bertram could not vote.

8 Madam Chairwoman Cathi Cook asked the Board if they have any questions on the hiring
9 of Tif Myers as an Intramural basbetball coach for the 2014-2015 school year. Greg Trangmoe
10 made a motion to hire Tif Meyers as presented. Dawn Shinn seconded the motion. Dawn Shinn,
11 Roger Bardsley, Greg Trangmoe, Chris Berthoud, Cathi Cook and Tim Schreiber voted aye.
12 Penny Bertram could not vote.

13 Madam Chairwoman Cathi Cook asked the Board if they have any questions on the hiring
14 of Andrea Mooney as an Intramural basbetball coach for the 2014-2015 school year. Dawn Shinn
15 made as a motion to hire Andrea Mooney as presented. Greg Trangmoe seconded the motion.
16 Dawn Shinn, Roger Bardsley, Greg Trangmoe, Chris Berthoud, Cathi Cook and Tim Schreiber
17 voted aye. Penny Bertram could not vote.

18 Madam Chairwoman Cathi Cook told the Board the district received a resignation letter
19 from Ted Adams as a Junior High School assistant football coach. Dawn Shinn made a motion to
20 approve the resignation letter from Ted Adams as presented. Greg Trangmoe seconded the
21 motion. Dawn Shinn, Roger Bardsley, Greg Trangmoe, Chris Berthoud, Cathi Cook and Tim
22 Schreiber voted aye. Penny Bertram could not vote.

23 **G. Discuss/Decision High School Coaching Assignments**

24 **i. Resignation Head Cheerleading Coach – Tammy Johnson**

25 **ii. Resignation Speech/Debate Head Coach – Kerry Seyfert**

26 Madam Chairwoman Cathi Cook told the Board the district received a resignation letter
27 from Tammy Johnson as the High School head cheerleading coach. Dawn Shinn made a motion
28 to approve the resignation letter from Tammy Johnson as presented. Penny Bertram seconded the

1 motion. All voted aye.

2 Madam Chairwoman Cathi Cook told the Board the district received a resignation letter
3 from Kerry Seyfert as the High School Speech/Debate head coach. Dawn Shinn made a motion
4 to approve the resignation letter from Kerry Seyfert as presented. Greg Trangmoe seconded the
5 motion. All voted aye.

6 **H. Discuss/Decision Recommendation to Accept Custodian Resignation – Susan**
7 **McClintick**

8 Madam Chairwoman Cathi Cook told the Board the district received a resignation letter
9 from Susan McClintick as a district custodian. Dawn Shinn made a motion to approve the
10 resignation letter from Susan McClintick as presented. Greg Trangmoe seconded the motion. All
11 voted aye.

12 **I. Discuss/Decision Elementary Out of District Enrollment Requests**

13 There was no Elementary out of district request this month.

14 **J. Discuss/Decision High School Out of District Enrollment Requests**

15 There was no High School out of district request this month.

16 **K. Discuss/Decision High School Graduation Credit Increase Request – B. Gum**

17 Madam Chairwoman Cathi Cook turned the floor over to Brian Gum. Brian handed out
18 policy #2410 to the trustees and explained to the Board why the district would like to increase the
19 required credits to graduate from 24 to 26 credits. Brian told the Board this change would require
20 two readings and so they would like this to be the first reading and the second reading in May so
21 this can be implemented by next school year. After comments from the Board on how the
22 students can obtain the 26 credits, to have something in place to catch students who will fall short
23 of the required credits, how will this affect the Montana Digital program here at the district, to
24 make sure the district will offer enough classes to the students, how this will affect early
25 graduation for the students, to make this effective starting with the freshman class of 2016 and to
26 have Brian and Steve Coop prepare more information for the next board meeting, Tim Schreiber
27 made a motion to approve the first reading of policy #2410. Penny Bertram seconded the motion.
28 All voted aye.

- 1 **L. Discuss/Decision: Board Policy 8000 Non-instructional Operations: 2nd Reading**
 2 **i. 8000 – Goals** **vii. 8121– District-Owned Vehicles**
 3 **ii. 8100 – Transportation** **viii. 8123 – Driver Training and Responsibility**
 4 **iii. 8102 – Contracting for** **ix. 8124 – Student Conduct on Buses**
 5 **Transportation Services** **x. 8125 – School Bus Emergencies**
 6 **iv. 8105 - School Bus Replacement** **xi. 8132 – Activity Trips**
 7 **v. 8110 – Bus Routes and** **xii. 8200 – Food Services**
 8 **Schedules** **xiii. 8225 – Tobacco Free Policy**
 9 **vi. 8111 – Transportation of**
 10 **Students and Disabilities**

11 Madam Chairwoman Cathi Cook asked the Board if they have any questions on these
 12 policies that are up for 2nd reading. After comments from the Board on policy 38121, line12 and
 13 19, policy 8123 line 13 and 14, policy 8124 line 11 and 24, policy 8125 line 9 and policy 8200,
 14 line 35 and 36, Roger Bardsley made a motion to approve the second reading of these policies as
 15 presented with the recommended changes and to table policy 8225 at this time. Dawn Shinn
 16 seconded the motion. All voted aye.

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 18 **9. Items for Information:**

19 **A. Student Council Representatives’ Report**

20 Trevor Motley talked about the things that are happening at the district. Trevor also
 21 updated the Board on the awards the students have won at the State Convention this year.

22 **Clerk’s Report - B. Schiele**

23 Business Manager Bill Schiele was not present so no report was given this month.

24 **C. Principals’ Report**

25 **i. Primary School – Jackie Mavencamp**

26 Jackie handed out a proposal from Houghton Mifflin for the reading program and Jacklyn
 27 went over that proposal and the books the district is looking at. Jacklyn told the Board this also
 28 includes a one day training for the staff. Superintendent David Whitesell told the Board the

1 district is hoping to split the cost over two fiscal years. Jacklyn also told the Board the Spanish
2 and Social Studies books are outdated.

3 **ii. Middle School – Tracey Rogstad**

4 Tracey talked about all the things that are happening at the Middle school this month.
5 Tracey told the Board all the Middle school events are on the district web page. Tracey also told
6 the Board they are changing class periods to 47 minute class periods.

7 **iii. High School – Brian Gum**

8 Brian talked about all the things they are that are happening at the High School. Brian
9 talked about the new bell schedule and the AP program here at the district. Brian also told the
10 Board that Joseph Fecteau was accepted in the Air Force academy.

11 **D. Superintendent’s Reports**

12 Superintendent David Whitesell told the Board he wants to meet with all three unions
13 to have a discussion about insurance. David told the Board the district is looking at hiring a new
14 High School SPED teacher and a Middle school counselor for next year. David also told the
15 Board the High School is trying to set up a forum for the trustee election.

16 Madam Chairwoman Cathi Cook asked the administration why the Board is just finding
17 out that there will be a change in the 6th grade dynamics. Cathi said she did not remember a
18 change in the 6th grade dynamics being approved. After a discussion from the Board and the
19 administration about this change and if it has been discussed and approved at another board
20 meeting, Tim asked the administration to research the issue to see if it was approved in the past
21 few months.

22 **10. Adjourn:**

23 Dawn Shinn made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Greg Trangmoe seconded the motion.

24 All voted aye.

25 Board Chairman: Cathi Cook

26 Date: 5/12/15

27 School Board Clerk: William T. Schiele

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