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7 **Board Retreat Workshop**

8 **August 12, 2014**

9 **1:00 p.m.**

10 **Music Center Choir Room**

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

12 Madam Chairwoman Cathi Cook called the board meeting to order at 1:00 p.m. in the
13 Music Center Choir Room. Cathi Cook led in the pledge of allegiance. Trustees present were
14 Dawn Shinn, Roger Bardsley, Greg Trangmoe, Chris Berthoud, Kevin Beller and Penny Bertram.
15 Tim Schreiber was not present. Superintendent David Whitesell, Brian Gum, Jaclyn Mavencamp,
16 Nate Fry, Tracey Rogstad and Business Manager/Clerk Bill Schiele were present.

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18 **2. Recognize Visitors/Public Comment:**

19 **Public Comment:**

20 There was no public comment.

21 **Board Comment:**

22 There was no board comment.

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24 **3. Items for Information:**

25 **A. Sinking Fund Update – Rocky Mountain Bank**

26 Madam Chairwoman Cathi Cook told the Board that representatives from Rocky
27 Mountain Bank were here to update the board on the current CD rates. Jamie Nobel, a
28 representative for the bank, updated the board on the current CD rates. Jamie told the Board the
12 month CD rate is at .4 percent and the 18 month CD rate was at .5 percent. Cathi told the
Board they will be making a decision on how to invest the sinking fund money tonight at the
regular board meeting.

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B. Board Training

i. Elizabeth Kaleva

ii. Executive Session – Litigation Strategy

Elizabeth Kaleva handed out a packet (Boardsmanship - Legal Parameters for Trustees) to the trustees. Elizabeth went through the packet and talked about all the functions of a board, code of conduct of the trustees, the ability to function in a boardsman like manner and the Montana open meeting law and the right to know. After comments from the Board on the information from Elizabeth Kaleva, the Board went into executive session to talk about ligation strategy on several issues the district is dealing with. Elizabeth told trustee Dawn Shinn that since one of the issues is dealing with her that she could not be involved with this part of the meeting. Dawn left the room and the meeting was closed. Cathi reopened the meeting and Dawn Shinn returned to the meeting. Cathi moved onto the next agenda item.

C. Campus Walkthrough – J. Chisholm

Superintendent David Whitesell and Jim Chisholm gave the Board a walkthrough of all the buildings and the things that need to be fixed or upgraded in the near future.

D. Defining Goals

Superintendent David Whitesell handed out the goals the board worked on last spring. The Board went through the goals and talked about the goals and reworded some of the goals to make it a more specific for the district.

E. Financial Consideration

Superintendent David Whitesell handed out the 2014-15 general fund and transportation budgets to the trustees. David went over each budget and explained how the district will be spending next year’s budget. David told the Board he has increased several line items amount such as the maintenance budget and the textbook budget. After comments from the Board on some of the line item budgets and why they increased or decreased, Cathi moved onto the next agenda item.

1 **F. Principals' Reports**

2 **i. Primary Grade School – J. Mavencamp**

3 **ii. Middle School – T. Rogstad**

4 **iii. High School – Gum & Fry**

5 Jaclyn Mavencamp talked about the districts assessment, curriculum, common core and all
6 the testing that will be happening here this school year. Jaclyn also told the Board that teachers
7 will be attending workshops throughout the year in these areas. After comments from the Board
8 on the material Jaclyn went over and the state guidance on test scores, Cathi moved onto Tracey
9 Rogstad.

10 Tracey Rogstad told the Board she is excited to be here and anxious to meet all the
11 teachers. The Board welcomed Tracey to the district.

12 Brian Gum and Nate Fry handed out materials on Graduation Matters here at the district.
13 Brian and Nate talked about the Graduation Maters program and all the things the district will be
14 doing this coming school year. Brian also talked about the district dropout rate for the past few
15 years and told the Board the district is working hard to reduce that dropout rate.

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17 **4. Adjourn:**

18 Roger Bardsley made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Kevin Beller seconded the
19 motion. All voted aye.

20 Board Chairman: Cathi Cook.

21 Date: 9-9-14.

22 School Board Clerk: William F. Schiele.

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