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7 **Regular Board Meeting**

8 **December 9, 2014**

9 **7:00 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 7:00 p.m. in the
13 Music Center Choir Room. Cathi Cook led in the pledge of allegiance. Trustees present were
14 Dawn Shinn, Greg Trangmoe, Chris Berthoud and Kevin Beller. Roger Bardsley, Tim Schreiber
15 and Penny Bertram were not present. Superintendent David Whitesell, Brian Gum, Tracey
16 Rogstad, Nate Fry and Business Manager/Clerk Bill Schiele were present.

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18 **2. Stinger Singers – Katie Raffety**

19 Madam Chairwoman Cathi Cook told the Board the Stinger Singers were here tonight to
20 sing some Christmas songs. Cathi turned the floor over to Katie Raffety, the Elementary music
21 teacher. Katie told the Board this group of students is from the 4th and 5th grade. After singing
22 several songs, Cathi thanked Katie and the students for the great performance.

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24 **3. Key Club Presentation – Stacey Sager**

25 Madam Chairwoman Cathi Cook told the Board that Stacy Sager, the Key club advisor,
26 was here tonight to talk about the club. Stacy talked about the club and everything they do at the
27 district. Stacy told the Board the club had a coat drive and they collected 90 coats in that drive.
28 Cathi thanked Stacy and the students involved with that club for the great job they do here at the
29 district.

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31 **4. Approval of minutes of previous meetings (Regular: 11/11/14 Special: 11/20/14)**

32 Madam Chairwoman Cathi Cook asked the trustees if they had any questions or comments

1 on the regular board meeting on November 11, 2014, minutes as presented. After a comment on
2 page 2, line 21 to change “for” to “far”, page 3, line 13 to change “if” to “it”, page 3, line 20 to
3 remove the extra “do” and on page 5, line 16 to change “12” to “2”, the minutes were passed by
4 unanimous consent with the changes.

5 Madam Chairwoman Cathi Cook asked the trustees if they had any questions or comments
6 on the special meeting on November 20, 2014, minutes as presented. The minutes were passed by
7 unanimous consent.

8 **3. Approval of Claims:**

9 Madam Chairwoman Cathi Cook asked if there were any questions or comments on the
10 claims or students’ accounts. Cathi told the Board the district has claims in the amount of
11 \$415,959.11 starting with claim #29393 and ending with claim #29486 and students’ account in
12 the amount of \$32,560.75. After comments about some of the claims, Dawn Shinn made a motion
13 to approve the claims and students’ accounts as presented. Greg Trangmoe seconded the motion.
14 All voted aye.

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

16 **Public Comment:**

17 There was no public comment.

18 **Board Comment:**

19 Cathi Cook read a letter from a student who had concerns with the types of food that is
20 being sold out of the Stinger and if the students can have a copy of that months events. After
21 comments from the Board on the food being sold, what kind of food should be sold and if the
22 students can get a copy of the calendar each month, Cathi moved onto the next agenda item.

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24 **5. Student Council Representative’s Report**

25 Madam Chairwoman Cathi Cook turned the floor over to Trevor Motley. Trevor talked
26 about the things that are happening at the district for the month of December (Attachment A).

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

2 **A. Discuss/Decision Ski Club Out-of State Travel Request (BP# 2320) – Ski Club**

3 **Student President**

4 Madam Chairwoman Cathi Cook turned the floor over to Ysabella Echeverio, the ski club
5 president. Ysabella told the Board the ski club would like permission to go Silver Mountain ski
6 resort from January 23 thru January 25, 2015. Ysabella told the Board they have raised \$4,000.00
7 for this trip. Ysabella also told the Board the ski club has received a letter from the resort
8 complimenting them on their good behavior last year. After comments from the Board on how
9 many chaperones they had last year, will they be taking a school bus, how many students will be
10 going on this trip, is there any education components to the trip, if there are any grade
11 requirements for students and how many chaperones they need for the number of students going
12 this year, Dawn Shinn made a motion to approve the out of state ski trip as presented with the
13 stipulations of having adequate chaperones(1 chaperone for every 6 students), that the students
14 must have no F's, the student must be in good standing with the administration without any
15 discipline issues and the student must be academically eligible for the trip. Greg Trangmoe
16 seconded the motion. All voted aye.

17 **B. Discuss/Decision Technology Committee Assignments (BP# 1130) – Board**

18 **Chairperson**

19 Superintendent David Whitesell told the Board the district would like to form a
20 technology committee to look at the technology needs of the district and also to look at how to
21 finance those needs. After comments from the Board on the purpose of the committee, training of
22 the staff and that technology is going to be the future for education, Cathi appointed Greg
23 Trangmoe, Tim Schreiber and Chris Berthoud to that committee.

24 **C. Discuss/Decision Resignation Assistant Cook Resignation – Peggy Buhr**

25 Madam Chairwoman Cathi Cook told the Board the district has received a resignation letter
26 from Peggy Buhr as an assistant cook. Kevin Beller made a motion to approve the resignation
27 letter from Peggy Buhr as presented. Greg Trangmoe seconded the motion. All voted aye.

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1 **D. Discuss/Decision Head Girls Soccer Coach Resignation – Kevin Hagan**

2 Madam Chairwoman Cathi Cook told the Board the district received a resignation letter
3 from Kevin Hagan as the head girls' soccer coach. Greg Trangmoe made a motion to approve the
4 resignation letter from Kevin Hagan as presented. Kevin Beller seconded the motion. All voted
5 aye.

6 **E. Discuss/Decision Boys Varsity Basketball Asst. Coach – Josh Lords**

7 Madam Chairwoman Cathi Cook asked the Board if they have any questions on the hiring
8 of Josh Lords as a High School boys assistant basketball coach for the 2014-2015 school year.
9 After comments about if Josh has any basketball coaching experience, Dawn Shinn made a
10 motion to hire Josh Lords as presented pending a successful background check. Chris Berthoud
11 seconded the motion. All voted aye.

12 **F. Discuss/Decision Recommendation for Substitute Teacher Positions**

13 Madam Chairwoman Cathi Cook told the Board the highlighted names (Arianna Tollefson
14 and Jon Blaisdell) are the ones that need to be approved this month. Cathi asked the Board if they
15 have any questions on the two subs that need to be hired. Greg Trangmoe made a motion to hire
16 the subs as presented pending successful background checks (Attachment B). Kevin Beller
17 seconded the motion. All voted aye.

18 **G. Discuss/Decision Recommendation for Adult Education Teacher Positions**

19 Superintendent David Whitesell told the Board this is the first year the district has brought
20 the hiring of Adult Ed. teachers to the board for approval. Superintendent David Whitesell told
21 the Board he is not recommending Mark Raskin at this time. Cathi told the Board they will do the
22 hiring of the Adult Ed. teachers in two steps. Cathi told the Board they will hire the Adult Ed.
23 teachers that have a successful background check first. Cathi told the Board they are Kiana
24 Fecteau, Gina Tan, Terri Bennett, Wendy Jordan, Gretchen Langton, Sheri Barstad, Ashley
25 Marallo and Kim Roth. Cathi asked the Board if they have any questions on the hiring of these
26 Adult Ed. teachers for the 2014-2015 school year. Greg Trangmoe made a motion to hire the
27 Adult Ed. teachers as presented (Attachment C). Dawn Shinn seconded the motion. All voted
28 aye.

1 Cathi told the Board they will now hire Olin Ravenscroft as an Adult Ed. teacher. Cathi
2 asked the Board if they have any questions on hiring of this Adult Ed. teacher for the 2014-2015
3 school year. Greg Trangmoe made a motion to hire the Adult Ed. teachers as presented pending a
4 successful background check (Attachment D). Chris Berthoud seconded the motion. All voted
5 aye.

6 **H. Discuss/Decision Elementary Out of District Enrollment Requests – Mavencamp**
7 **and Rogstad**

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

9 **I. Discuss/Decision High School Out of District Enrollment Requests - Gum**

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

11 **J. Discuss/Decision 1st Reading**

12 **i. BP#7410 – Fund Accounting System**

13 Madam Chairwoman Cathi Cook asked the Board if they had questions on the policy that is
14 up for first reading. Greg Trangmoe made a motion to approve the first reading of this policy as
15 presented. Kevin Beller seconded the motion. All voted aye.

16 **9. Items for Information:**

17 **A. Clerk's Report**

18 Business Manager Bill Schiele updated the Board on the general fund status. Bill told the
19 Board the High School percentage is at 3 percent higher than last year at this time. Bill told the
20 Board they are following this very close at this time.

21 **B. Principals' Report**

22 **i. Middle School – Tracey Rogstad**

23 Tracey talked about the morning announcements they are doing for the Middle School
24 every day. Tracey told the Board that student council will be going to the living center for a visit
25 and the students will also be having a dance before Christmas. Tracey also told the Board that
26 Miss Montana will be here at the district in the near future.

27 **ii. High School – Brian Gum**

28 Brian told the Board the district is doing a weapon campaign here at the district to inform

1 the students the consequences of having any kind of weapon or knife on school property. Brian
2 told the Board this is being done with the daily announcements and at the advisory class time.
3 Brian told the Board this campaign is district wide. Brian also talked about the Graduation Matter
4 program here at the district.

5 **1. Athletic Report – Nate Fry**

6 Nate told the Board at the teachers meeting at the beginning of the school year the teachers
7 asked if there could be a stronger academic policy for students to participate in any extracurricular
8 activity. Nate told the Board he has collected information from other school districts on what
9 they have for a policy for participating in any activities at the district. Nate told the Board the
10 district is forming a committee for this policy and that it will take effect next school year. After
11 comments from the Board on what activities this policy would cover, will it apply to school
12 dances and this will be a good incentive for students to get better grades here at school, Cathi
13 moved onto the next agenda item.

14 **C. Superintendent’s Reports**

15 **i. Enrollment Data**

16 **ii. Hot Lunch Program**

17 **iii. Superintendent Evaluation**

18 Superintendent David Whitesell went over the enrollment and lunch numbers here at the
19 district. David told the Board that 47 percent of the district student’s qualify for free or reduced
20 meals. David told the Board the district is now serving breakfast to High School students before
21 and after advisory class. After comments from the Board on the fund raisers at lunch time, if
22 cutting the fund raisers at lunch time has increased the High School hot lunch numbers, if not why
23 the district has not reinstated the fund raisers and how important these fund raisers are for the
24 district clubs, the Board asked the superintendent to put this issue on the next board agenda.
25 David also told the Board this Friday Fred Thomas and several other local legislators will be here
26 looking at how the district has improved the safety of the districts buildings through SB 348.

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1 **9. Adjourn:**

2 Kevin Beller made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Greg Trangmoe seconded the
3 motion. All voted aye.

4 Board Chairman: Cathi Cook.

5 Date: 1-13-15.

6 School Board Clerk: Wilhelm F. Schiele.

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Attachment A

Report

December 9, 2014

Trevor Motley

Student Body School Board Rep.

Student Council ~ Recently elected a new Senior Class Secretary Wesley Wholman. Wesley will be filling the seat for the remainder of the term. Student Council's monthly assembly is coming up December 18th. This assembly will include the students of K-3 giving us a few ideas at what they asked for for Christmas. Student Council will also be continuing the "Change Game" as last month it raised \$81 for Make-A-Wish. Student council is also in the middle of their Holiday Food Drive for Pantry Partners, and as part of giving back to the community they have been visiting the Nursing Home here in town.

FFA ~ Last month traveled to MSU Bozeman for the third annual John Deere Ag Expo. They had roughly 40 members on the trip and came home with First place individuals in more than one competition. They also had high ranking teams, and enjoyed watching the Bobcat Football game against Idaho State. Coming up next month is GOLD leadership conference, KMON, Stockgrowers Banquet, Mechanics at Fergus of Lewistown, and the Chapter Photo.

Key Club ~ Previously reported on by Mrs. Sager

National Honor Society ~ Sent out invitations to potential candidates to apply for the program about a week before Thanksgiving break. Candidate forms were due last Friday and there is currently a 7 member faculty committee reviewing the forms, essays, and transcripts of over 25 applicants. The committee will meet before Christmas break to accept or reject the applicants. NHS will again host the spring blood drive and is looking to re-establish the Mr. Yellowjacket contest to raise money for a nonprofit organization.

Wrestling ~ Has 7 Freshman, most of which are new to the sport, but 2 previously wrestled for Florence. It is significant to note that there is one Freshman transfer from Victor due to the program. There are 9 Sophomores 6 of which are returning members from last year. They also have 6 Juniors 4 are returning from last season. Finally they have only 1 Senior who is new to the program. They will travel to Butte Central on Thursday, and Hamilton on Saturday.

Speech & Debate ~ Last weekend they attended the Corvallis meet, they had some teams/individuals place top in their contests. This week they will travel to the Flathead for a two day competition.

Ski Club ~ Is starting their Coffee/Tea fundraiser to help fund this years Ski Trip. They are also organizing some bake sales to offset the cost to members going. The Ski Bus ran for the first time last Saturday and made opening weekend at Lost Trail. They had a full bus and hope to keep this streak up all season.

Cheerleading ~Attended a Cheer camp last week where they learned safe techniques and practiced moves to use while cheering. This year the squad has a new addition of 4 male Seniors.

Girls Basketball ~ Has a large turn out for this season and is excited to start the season at the Tip-Off tournament this weekend.

Boys Basketball ~ Under new coaches is proud to have a large contingent of younger class members. They are looking forward to kicking the season off this weekend as well during the Tip-Off tournament.

Spanish Club ~ Is getting ready for Basketball season as they will be selling concessions to build funds for their biennial trip to Costa Rica.

Yearbook ~ Is running a Christmas Special on Senior Ads for \$55 a piece. They are also busy on making deadlines, securing advertising and selling Yearbooks. They will be having an upcoming bake sale fundraiser to offset costs.

Senior Project ~ Jade Chimo Ski Swap ~ Jade recently held a Ski Swap here at Stevensville High School for his Senior Project the goal of his project was to offer an affordable way to get families out on the snow and benefit

Attachment B

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Cheryl Rhodda	y	7/8/2014		
Brianna Huffman	Y	7/15/2014		
Sarah Piper	y	7/24/2014		
Susan McClintick	Y	7/29/2014		
Nicole Brown	Y	8/5/2014		
Kelby Thomas	Y	8/6/2014		
Carl Koenan	y	8/7/2014	custodian sub	
Sherri Breneman	Y	August		
Steven Coop	y	8/18/2014		
Jessica Diepstraten	y	8/18/2014		
Mathew Vanosdell	y	8/19/2014		
Colleen Cooper-Vanosdell	y	8/19/2014		
Tyler Hobbs	y	8/19/2014		
Judith Giglio	y	8/19/2014		
Larry Michael Rogstad	y	8/19/2014		
Tif Myers	Y	8/25/2014		
Sarah Piper	y	8/25/2014		
Don Murphy	y	8/25/2014		
Kelci Boyd	Y	UM		
Hannah Anderson	Y	Alberton		
Edie Cecrle	y	8/18/2014		
Laura Pape-Harper	Y	9/11/2014	yellow would be approved pending good bac	
Christine Savern	Y	9/18/2014	The FBI computer system was down and they	
Sue Little	Y	9/19/2014	behind. They are just now doing the 2nd weel	
Kerry Sandoval	Y	9/19/2014		
Jessica Brunett	Y	UM	Student Teacher	
Mary Marchant	Y		coming from Lone Rock	
Misty Dawson	Y	9/29/2014		
Sarah Armijo	Y	10/1/2014	stevisarah@gmail.com	
Josh Lords ✓	Y	10/30/2014	Coach Asst HS BBB	pending
Kathryn O'Connell	Y	10/30/2014	Kitchen	
Ariana Tollefson ✓	Y	10/30/2014	Zumba Wellness Program	
Kiana Fecteau	Y	10/31/2014	Adult Ed	
Mark Raskin	x	10/31/2014	Adult Ed	
Gina Tan	Y		Adult Ed	
Terri Bennett	y	11/5/2014	Adult Ed	
Sandy Sellers	Y	11/6/2014	Kitchen	
Wendy Jordan	Y	11/6/2014	Adult Ed	
Gretchen Langton	y	11/10/2014	Adult Ed	
Jon Blaisdell ✓	Y	11/10/2014	Volunteer Wrestling coach	
Sheri Barstad	y	11/11/2014	Adult Ed	
Ashley Marallo	y	11/17/2014	Adult Ed	
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