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7 **Regular Board Meeting**

8 **October 8, 2013**

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 Tim
14 Schreiber, Gary Burgett, Kevin Beller and Penny Bertram. Greg Trangmoe arrived at 7:25 p.m.
15 Kirk Thompson and Roger Bardsley were not present. Superintendent David Whitesell, Brian
16 Gum, Jaclyn Mavencamp, Nate Fry and Business Manager/Clerk Bill Schiele were present.

17 **2. Approval of minutes of previous meetings (Regular 09/10/13):**

18 Madam Chairwoman Cathi Cook asked the trustees if they had any questions or comments
19 on the September 10, 2013, minutes as presented. The minutes were approved by unanimous
20 consent.

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 \$338,418.02 starting with claim #27911 and ending with claim #28020 and students' account in
25 the amount of \$20,152.02. After comments about some of the claims, Gary Burgett made a
26 motion to approve the claims and students' accounts as presented. Tim Schreiber seconded the
27 motion. All voted aye.

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

Public Comment:

There was no public comment.

1 **Board Comment:**

2 There was no board comment.

3 **5. Student Council Representative Report:**

4 Michael Bradt, the student representative, talked about homecoming week and all the
5 events that happened that week. Michael talked about the SWAG program for this year and told
6 the Board they are getting that up to speed for this year. Michael also told the Board that every
7 other Friday is an early out lunch for the students who follow the rules.

8 **6. Special Education Concerns – 7-12 Sped. and Admin.**

9 Madam Chairwoman Cathi Cook turned the floor over to High School principal Brian
10 Gum. Brian talked about the special education program and the problems the district is having this
11 year with so many kids in that program. Karen Ferris and Robin Evans also talked about the
12 problems and the difficulties they are having with the program this year. Superintendent David
13 Whitesell talked about the program and told the Board the request he has from Brian Gum is for
14 another teacher and another paraprofessional for this year. David told the Board this would be a
15 cost of approximately \$60,000.00 and that would come from the high school reserves. After
16 comments from the Board on the overcrowding of this department, if there are other solutions to
17 the problem and how many students the high school had last year in the program, David told the
18 Board this is not a Board action item but he wanted to let them know there is a problem and they
19 are working on it to solve the problem. David also told the Board the district might be coming to
20 them next month with a recommendation to hire another teacher or paraprofessional.

21 **7. Business: Items for Action**

22 **A. Approve Recommendations to Suspend BP #3145 for F-1 Student – D. Whitesell:**

23 Superintendent David Whitesell told the Board the school can now accept students who
24 hold F-1 visa but Board policy #3145 does not allow a student with an F-1 status to attend school
25 at the district. David told the Board there is a student who is an F-1 visa holder and he wants to
26 attend the Stevensville Schools and graduate from the school. David told the Board for this
27 student to attend Stevensville this year the Board needs to suspend the policy for this student.
28 After comments from the Board about suspending this policy for this student only or suspending

1 it all together, Penny Bertram made a motion to suspend policy #3145. Greg Trangmoe seconded
2 the motion. After a comment about if this is just for this student or for all students, Greg
3 Trangmoe withdrew his second. Penny restated the motion to read to suspend policy #3145 for
4 this student for this year only. Greg Trangmoe seconded the motion. All voted aye.

5 **B. Approve School Resource Officer Grant w/Town of Stevensville:**

6 Superintendent David Whitesell told the Board the Town of Stevensville has been awarded
7 the COPS grant which will put a police officer here at the district. David told the board the
8 school portion will be \$1,872.50 the first year, \$4,681.00 the second year, \$12,169.00 the third
9 year and 50% of the cost of an officer for the fourth year. David told the Board if the district
10 accepts the grant it is obligated for four years. Mayor Gene Mim Mack also talked about the
11 grant and all the benefits the city and the school would get from this grant. Gene told the Board
12 the city of Stevensville has approved the grant and they are excited about having another officer
13 for Stevensville. After comments from the Board on the grant, who will the officer report to, how
14 will the city go about hiring for this position, if the school has any say on who they hire, will the
15 officer get overtime and who will pay for that overtime and what will the officer be doing when
16 school is not in session, Penny Bertram made a motion to approve the grant as presented. Tim
17 Schreiber seconded the motion. All voted aye.

18 **C. Approve Recommendations to Accept Laborers Union Negotiated Agreement –**
19 **Negotiations Committee**

20 Madam Chairwoman Cathi Cook told the Board the district negotiation team has settled
21 with the labors union and asked the board if they have any questions on the new contract. After a
22 comment from the Board on the negotiated contract, Gary Burgett made a motion to approve the
23 negotiated contract as presented. Tim Schreiber seconded the motion. All voted aye.

24 **D. Approve Recommendation for p/t JH Counselors – K. Nebel:**

25 Madam Chairwoman Cathi Cook asked the Board if they have any questions on the hiring
26 of Karen Nebel as a part-time Junior High counselor. Greg Trangmoe made a motion to hire
27 Karen Nebel as presented. Tim Schreiber seconded the motion. Gary Burgett, Greg Trangmoe,
28 Cathi Cook, Tim Schreiber and Kevin Beller voted aye. Penny Bertram could not vote.

1 **E. Approve Recommendation for Kindergarten teacher – S. Seibert**

2 Madam Chairwoman Cathi Cook asked the Board if they have any questions on the hiring
3 of Scott Seibert as a kindergarten teacher. Kevin Beller made a motion to approve the hiring of
4 Scott Seibert as an Elementary kindergarten teacher as presented. Greg Trangmoe seconded the
5 motion. Greg Trangmoe, Cathi Cook, Tim Schreiber and Kevin Beller voted aye. Gary Burgett
6 voted nay. Penny Bertram could not vote.

7 **F. Approve Recommendation for Custodian (replacement position) – D. Spiers**

8 Madam Chairwoman Cathi Cook asked the Board if they have any questions on the hiring
9 of David Spiers as a district custodian. Greg Trangmoe made a motion to hire David Spiers as a
10 custodian as presented. Tim Schreiber seconded the emotion. All voted aye.

11 **G. Approve Recommendations for Substitute Teaches Positions**

- 12 i. Kaylin Ray iv. Nancy Eckert
13 ii. Sandra Lundwall v. Julie Bennett
14 iii. Cary Jubinsky vi. Tamini Meinhold

15 Madam Chairwoman Cathi Cook asked the Board if they have any questions on any of the
16 substitutes that are up for approval. Greg Trangmoe made a motion to approve the substitutes as
17 presented. Gary Burgett seconded the motion. All voted aye.

18 **H. Approve High School Co-curricular/Extracurricular Recommendation:**

- 19 i. Boys Varsity BB Assist. Coach – T. Rosin

20 Madam Chairwoman Cathi Cook asked the Board if they have any questions on the hiring
21 of Terry Rosin as a High School assistant basketball coach. Greg Trangmoe made a motion to
22 hire Terry Rosin as presented. Kevin Beller seconded the motion. Gary Burgett, Greg Trangmoe,
23 Cathi Cook, Tim Schreiber and Kevin Beller vote aye. Penny Bertram could not vote.

24 **I. Approve High School Morning Tutorial Program**

- 25 i. S. Wasser vi. Stacey Sager
26 ii. K. Ferris v. T. Johnson
27 iii. E. O'Reilly

28 Madam Chairwoman Cathi Cook asked the Board if they have any questions on the hiring

1 of the High School morning tutorial teachers. After a comment from the Board on how this
2 program is funded and if the grant pays the all benefits for the teacher, Greg Trangmoe made a
3 motion to approve the High School morning tutorial teachers as presented. Kevin Beller
4 seconded the motion. All voted aye.

5 **J. Approve High School Morning Tutorial Program**

6 i. S. Seyfert-Fry

7 ii. R. Thompson

8 Madam Chairwoman Cathi Cook asked the Board if they have any questions on the hiring
9 of the Junior High School morning tutorial teachers. Greg Trangmoe made a motion to approve
10 the Junior High tutorial teachers as presented. Gary Burgett seconded the motion. Gary Burgett,
11 Greg Trangmoe, Cathi Cook, Tim Schreiber and Kevin Beller vote aye. Penny Bertram could not
12 vote.

13 **K. Approve Jr. High School Coaching Recommendation:**

14 i. Jr. High Football – J. Eisenman

15 Madam Chairwoman Cathi Cook asked the Board if they have any questions on the hiring
16 of Jayme Eisenman as a Junior High assistant football coach. Greg Trangmoe made a motion to
17 hire Jayme Eisenman as presented. Tim Schreiber seconded the motion. Gary Burgett, Greg
18 Trangmoe, Cathi Cook, Tim Schreiber and Kevin Beller vote aye. Penny Bertram could not vote.

19 **L. Approve Superintendent’s Contract**

20 Madam Chairwoman Cathi Cook asked the Board if they have any questions on the
21 Superintendent’s contract. After a comment from the Board about if the superintendent should
22 report any vacation leave or any absence leave of more than 3 days to the board chairperson or to
23 all board members, Greg Trangmoe made a motion to approve the superintendent contract with
24 the language change to read the superintendent shall inform the whole Board in advance use of
25 vacation or any absence leaves from the district for more than 3 days as presented. Penny
26 Bertram seconded the motion. All voted aye.

27 **M. Approve Elementary Out of District Enrollment Request:**

28 Madam Chairwoman Cathi Cook asked the Board if they have any questions on any of the

1 Elementary out of district students. Greg Trangmoe made a motion to approve the out of district
2 students as presented. Gary Burgett seconded the motion. Gary Burgett, Greg Trangmoe, Cathi
3 Cook, Tim Schreiber and Kevin Beller vote aye. Penny Bertram could not vote.

4 **N. Approve High School Out of District Requests:**

5 There were no High school out of districts student to approve this month.

6 **O. Approve 2nd Reading**

7 i. BP#3123 – Attendance Policy – Truancy

8 ii. BP #3300 – Suspension and Expulsion

9 iii. BP #3311 – Firearms and Weapons

10 iv. BP#3415 – Management of Sports Related Concussions

11 v. BP #3415P – Management of Sports Related Concussions (Procedures)

12 vi. BP #3415F – Management of Sports Related Concussions (Forms)

13 vii. BP#3416 – Administering Medicines to Students

14 viii. BP#3600 - Student Records

15 ix. BP#3600P – Students Records – Maintenance of School Student Records

16 x. BP#5321 – Leave of Absence – Sick and Bereavement Leave

17 Madam Chairwoman Cathi Cook asked the Board if they had any questions on these policies
18 that are up for second and final reading. After comments from the Board on the concussion form,
19 policy #3311, policy #3600 and policy 5321, Gary Burgett made a motion to approve the policies
20 as presented. Tim Schreiber seconded the motion. All voted aye.

21 **P. Approve 1st Reading**

22 i. BP#5231 – Personnel Records

23 ii. BP #5232 – Abused and Neglected Child Reporting

24 Madam Chairwoman Cathi Cook asked the Board if they had any questions on these policies
25 that are up for first reading. After a comment from the Board on why the district is approving
26 these two policies, Gary Burgett made a motion to approve the policies as presented. Greg
27 Trangmoe seconded the motion. All voted aye.

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1 **8. Items for Information:**

2 **A. Principals Reports**

3 Brian Gum talked about homecoming week and told the Board it was a great success this
4 year. Brian also talked about all the events that will be happening in the next few weeks. Brian
5 told the Board the district will be hosting a speech meet here at the district and they are looking for
6 judges. Brian also told the Board the district has a good chance of hosting the state soccer
7 championship game here at the district if the boys' soccer team keeps on winning.

8 Jaclyn Mavencamp talked about all the events that will be happening the next few weeks
9 and told the Board that Jog-a-thon was a great success this year. Jaclyn also talked about common
10 core here at the district and that MAP testing will also be starting in the near future.

11 **B. Superintendent's Report**

12 Superintendent David Whitesell talked about the enrollment here at the district and that it
13 has increased from last year. David talked about the lunch program here at the district and the
14 different things the district is doing to keep the students here on campus to eat lunch. David told
15 the Board the district is in the process of getting more cameras on campus along with a new PA
16 system for the district.

17 **8. Adjourn:**

18 Greg Trangmoe made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Tim Schreiber seconded the
19 motion. All voted aye.

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Board Chairman: Tim Schreiber

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Date: 11-12-13

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School Board Clerk: William F. Schiele

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