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7 **Regular Board Meeting**

8 **September 10, 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
14 Kirk Thompson, Greg Trangmoe, Tim Schreiber, Gary Burgett, Kevin Beller, Penny Bertram and
15 Roger Bardsley. Superintendent David Whitesell, Brian Gum, Jaclyn Mavencamp, Nate Fry and
16 Business Manager/Clerk Bill Schiele were present.

17 **2. Approval of minutes of previous meetings (Regular 8/13/13, Special: 8/22/2013):**

18 Madam Chairwoman Cathi Cook asked the trustees if they had any questions or comments
19 on the August 13, 2013, minutes as presented. After a spelling correction to page 2, line 5 and a
20 correction to page 6, line 10 to replace First reading to Second reading, the minutes were
21 approved by unanimous consent with the correction.

22 Madam Chairwoman Cathi Cook asked the trustees if they had any questions or
23 comments on the August 22, 2013, minutes as presented. The minutes were approved by
24 unanimous consent.

25 Madam Chairwoman Cathi Cook told the Board that on the July 9, 2013, minutes there
26 was an error on page 2, line 18. The minutes read that Gary Burgett voted aye on the motion but
27 Gary actually voted nay. The July 9, 2013 minutes were change to record the correct vote by
28 Gary Burgett and the correction was approved by unanimous consent.

1 **3. Approval of Claims:**

2 Madam Chairwoman Cathi Cook asked if there were any questions or comments on the
3 claims or students' accounts. Cathi told the Board the district has claims in the amount of
4 \$197,016.19 starting with claim #27799 and ending with claim #27910 and students' account in
5 the amount of \$29,983.34. After comments about some of the claims, Kirk Thompson made a
6 motion to approve the claims and students' accounts as presented. Roger Bardsley seconded the
7 motion. All voted aye.

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

10 **Public Comment:**

11 There was no public comment.

12 **Board Comment:**

13 There was no board comment.

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

16 Michael Bradt, the student representative for this school year, talked about the first day of
17 school and the things they did with the incoming freshman. Michael also told the Board that
18 homecoming is next week and Michael talked about all the events that will be happening here at
19 the school that week.

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21 **6. Sinking Fund Information – B. Gieseke:**

22 Madam Chairwoman Cathi Cook introduced Bob Gieseke from Rocky Mountain bank.
23 Bob handed out a report on the sinking fund money that is now invested in CD's at the bank. Bob
24 went over the new and current CD interest rates. Business Manager/Clerk Bill Schiele told the
25 Board the district has \$300,000.00 that is sitting at the county treasure that needs to be invested at
26 this time. After comments from the Board on the current CD's rate and terms of the CD's, the
27 Board gave the district the go ahead to invest the money that is with the county treasure into a 12
28 month CD with an interest rate of .30%.

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

2 **A. Board Reorganization – Committee Assignments:**

3 Madam Chairwoman Cathi Cook talked about the current committees and who are on those
4 committees. Policy (Cathi Cook, Gary Burgett and Roger Bardsley), Negotiations (Greg
5 Trangmoe, Cathi Cook and Penny Bertram), Resource (Kirk Thompson, Greg Trangmoe and Tim
6 Schreiber), Facility (Cathi Cook, Kirk Thompson and Gary Burgett), Calendar (Kevin Beller and
7 Penny Bertram), Vo-Ag (Kirk Thompson and Gary Brugett). Cathi asked the Board if any of
8 them would like to be dropped from the committee that they are now currently on. Everyone
9 agreed to stay on their current committee. Cathi told the Board the district would like to create a
10 finance committee. Cathi asked the Board if anyone would like to be on that committee. Kirk
11 Thompson and Tim Schreiber volunteered to be on that committee. Kirk Thompson made a
12 motion to approve the committee as presented and the creation of the finance committee. Tim
13 Schreiber seconded the motion. All voted aye.

14 **B. Approve Equipment Disposal Recommendation: - J. Chisholm:**

15 Madam Chairwoman Cathi Cook Superintendent asked the Board if they have any
16 questions on the disposal list. After a comment from the Board on if the district has some sort of
17 disclaimer for the items, Gary Burgett made a motion to approve the disposal list as presented.
18 Tim Schreiber seconded the motion. All voted aye.

19 **C. Early Graduation Request –B. Gum:**

20 High School Principal Brian Gum told the Board there is a student that wants to graduate
21 early and that she has met all the guidelines within the time line for early graduation. The student
22 explained to the Board why she would like to graduate early and her plans of what she will be
23 doing after graduation. After comments from the Board on if the student will have any problems
24 getting into a college at a younger age, if the district has an early graduation policy and if the
25 policy has been followed and what was Brian Gum's recommendation for this student, Kirk
26 Thompson made a motion to approve the early graduation request as presented. Penny Bertram
27 seconded the motion. All voted aye.

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G. Approve Jr. High School Coaching Recommendation:

i. Jr. High Volleyball (7th Grade) – C. Koepplin

Madam Chairwoman Cathi Cook asked the Board if they have any questions on the hiring of Colleen Koepplin as the Junior High Volleyball coach. Gary Burgett made a motion to hire Colleen Koepplin as presented. Kirk Thompson seconded the motion. Gary Burgett, Roger Bardsley, Greg Trangmoe, Kirk Thompson, Cathi Cook, Tim Schreiber and Kevin Beller vote aye. Penny Bertram could not vote.

H. Approve Bus Driver Recommendation – G. McFadden Elementary:

Madam Chairwoman Cathi Cook asked the Board if they have any questions on the hiring of Greg McFadden as a district bus driver. Gary Burgett made a motion to hire Greg McFadden as a district bus driver as presented. Kirk Thompson seconded the emotion. All voted aye.

I. Approve Elementary Out of District Enrollment Request:

Madam Chairwoman Cathi Cook asked the Board if they have any questions on any of the Elementary out of district students. After comments from the Board on a few of the students and policy 3141(Discretionary Nonresident Student Attendance Policy), Kirk Thompson made a motion to approve the out of district students as presented. Greg Trangmoe seconded the motion. Greg Trangmoe, Kirk Thompson, Cathi Cook, Tim Schreiber and Kevin Beller vote aye. Gary Burgett and Roger Bardsley voted nay. Penny Bertram could not vote.

J. Approve High School Out of District Requests:

Madam Chairwoman Cathi Cook asked the Board if they have any questions on any of the High School out of district students. After comments from the Board on a few of the students, and what is a 504 plan, Kirk Thompson made a motion to approve the out of district students as presented. Penny Bertram seconded the motion. All voted aye.

K. Approve 2nd Reading:

- i. BP#3123 – Attendance Policy – Truancy
- ii. BP #3300 – Suspension and Expulsion
- iii. BP #3311 – Firearms and Weapons

1 Madam Chairwoman Cathi Cook told the Board these policies were not included in their
2 packet. Cathi told the Board this agenda item will be tabled until the October board meeting.

3 **L. Approve 1st Reading:**

4 i. BP#3415 – Management of Sports Related Concussions

5 ii. BP #3415P – Management of Sports Related Concussions (Procedures)

6 iii. BP #3415F – Management of Sports Related Concussions (Forms)

7 iv. BP#3416 – Administering Medicines to Students

8 v. BP#3600 - Student Records

9 vi. BP#3600P – Students Records – Maintenance of School Student Records

10 vii. BP#5321 – Leave of Absence – Sick and Bereavement Leave

11 Madam Chairwoman Cathi Cook asked the Board if they had any questions on these policies
12 that are up for second and final reading. After comments from the Board on policy #3145,
13 #3145P, #3145F (Management of Sports Related Concussions), policy #3600P (Student Records)
14 and policy#5321(Leave of Absence), Greg Trangmoe made a motion to approve the policies as
15 presented. Gary Burgett seconded the motion. All voted aye.

16 **8. Items for Information:**

17 **A. Principals Reports**

18 Brian Gum talked about homecoming week and all the events that will be happening that
19 week. Brian told the Board the Junior High students will also be involved with all the events this
20 year. Brian told the Board the districts morning tutorial program will be starting the week of
21 September 23, 2013. Brian told the Board he will be talking about increasing the high school
22 credits from 24 to 26 at the next broad meeting.

23 Nate Fry told the Board this year is off to a good start. Nate told the Board the student
24 parking in the back is going well this year.

25 Jaclyn Mavencamp told the Board that open house will be September 17, 2013 and that
26 there will also be a book fair on that same day. Jaclyn told the Board the Jog-a thon fundraiser is
27 coming up in a few weeks. Jaclyn also talked about the new benches in front of the K-3 building
28 and those benches were bought will student raised money.

1 **B. Superintendent's Report**

2 Superintendent David Whitesell told the Board the districts kindergarten classes are
3 overflowing and the district would like to hire another teacher for that grade level. After
4 discussion form the Board about the overcrowding kindergarten class, how to solve the problem
5 and how to pay for another teacher, the Board gave permission to the superintendent to go ahead
6 and advertise for another teacher and the district will pay for that teacher by doing a budget
7 amendment and use elementary reserves. David told the Board the district has sent out letters to
8 all the parents in the district notifying them the district did not meet AYP this year. David told
9 the Board there is a company working on replacing the districts old servers. David also talked
10 about the letter the district received from Jerry Covault and his idea of how to make all sports
11 more competitive no matter how big the school is to help reduce cost for the sports program at the
12 school district.

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14 **8. Adjourn:**

15 Kirk Thompson made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Greg Trangmoe seconded the
16 motion. All voted aye.

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18 Board Chairman: Cash Cook.

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19 Date: 10/8/13.

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20 School Board Clerk: William F. Schiele.

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