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7 **Regular Board Meeting**

8 **September 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, Roger Bardsley, Greg Trangmoe, Tim Schreiber and Penny Bertram. Chris Berthoud
15 and Kevin Beller were not present. Superintendent David Whitesell, Brian Gum, Jaclyn
16 Mavencamp, Nate Fry, Tracy Rogstad and Business Manager/Clerk Bill Schiele were present.

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18 **2. Approval of minutes of previous meetings (Regular: 08/12/14 Special: 8/12/14) & 8/22/14)**

19 Madam Chairwoman Cathi Cook asked the trustees if they had any questions or comments
20 on the special board meeting on August 12, 2014, minutes as presented. After a comment on page
21 2, line 20 with the removal of the letter "a", the minutes were passed by unanimous consent with
22 the change.

23 Madam Chairwoman Cathi Cook asked the trustees if they had any questions or comments
24 on the regular board meeting on August 12, 2014, minutes as presented. After a comment on page
25 2, line 12 and putting a space between .5 and percent, the minutes were passed by unanimous
26 consent with the change.

27 Madam Chairwoman Cathi Cook asked the trustees if they had any questions or comments
28 on the special board meeting on August 22, 2014, minutes as presented. Cathi told the Board
changes already have been made on these minutes and they are highlighted in yellow. The
minutes were passed by unanimous consent with the changes.

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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 \$207,872.06 starting with claim #29040 and ending with claim #29132 and students' account in
5 the amount of \$9,646.33. After comments about some of the claims, Roger Bardsley made a
6 motion to approve the claims and students' accounts as presented. Greg Trangmoe seconded the
7 motion. All voted aye.

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

10 **Public Comment:**

11 Audience member Vicky Motley told the Board she attended the football game last week
12 and that it was very difficult to see over the new fence at the football field.

13 **Board Comment:**

14 There was no board comment.

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16 **5. Youth Court Presentation: Judge Haynes**

17 Madam Chairwoman Cathi Cook told the Board that Judge Hayes was here tonight and
18 Cathi turned the floor over to Judge Hayes. Judge Hayes told the Board he likes to meet with
19 school boards every three years to talk to them about the youth court here in the valley and to get
20 feedback from school boards about the Ravalli County youth court system. Judges Hayes handed
21 out a breakdown of cases from 1980 thru 2010 in Ravalli County. Judges Hayes also talked about
22 the youth court system and the things they do for the youth in the valley. After comments from the
23 Board on the handout and if the youth court has much involvement with the SRO officers in school
24 district, Cathi thanked Judges Hayes and moved onto the next agenda item.

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26 **6. Presentation: Stevensville FFA Agronomy Team**

27 Josette Hackett, the FFA teacher, and several students did a presentation on the Agronomy
28 team trip to Portland, Oregon. Each student talked about some of the experiences they had on the

1 trip. Josette told the Board their trip was paid through a grant and thanked the Board for the
2 opportunity to go on the trip.

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

5 **A. Discuss/Decision: Sinking Fund**

6 Madam Chairwoman Cathi Cook told the Board they have a list of current CD rates in
7 front of them from Rocky Mountain Bank. Cathi told the Board the rates are .40 percent for a 12
8 month CD and .50 percent for an 18 month CD. Cathi told the Board there are two CD's that
9 need to be renewed. After comments from the Board on the CD rates and if the district should
10 combine the two CD's together or keep them separated, Greg Trangmoe made a motion to keep
11 the two CD'S separate and to renew the CD's at a rate of .05 percent for 18 months. Roger
12 Bardsley seconded the motion. Dawn Shinn, Roger Bardsley, Greg Trangmoe, Cathi Cook and
13 Tim Schreiber voted aye. Penny Bertram could not vote.

14 **B. Discuss/Decision: High School Class Sponsors**

15 **i. FCCLA – Sue Wasser**

16 **ii. FFA Asst. – Whitney McBeth**

17 **iii. Freshman Class Sponsors – Robin Evans & Josette Hackett**

18 **iv. Sophomore Class Sponsors – Ted Adams & Rebecca Thompson**

19 **v. Junior Class Sponsors – Sue Wasser & Pam Johnson**

20 **vi. Senior Class Sponsors – Stacey Sager & Tammy Johnson**

21 Madam Chairwoman Cathi Cook asked the Board if they have any questions on the hiring
22 of Sue Wasser as the FCCLA advisor for the 2014-2015 school year. Roger Bardsley made a
23 motion to hire Sue Wasser as the FCCLA advisor as presented. Penny Bertram seconded the
24 motion. All voted aye.

25 Madam Chairwoman Cathi Cook asked the Board if they have any questions on the hiring
26 of Whitney McBeth as the assistant FFA advisor for the 2014-2015 school year. Dawn Shinn
27 made a motion to hire Whitney McBeth as presented. Greg Trangmoe seconded the motion. All
28 voted aye.

1 Madam Chairwoman Cathi Cook asked the Board if they have any questions on the hiring
2 of Robin Evans and Josette Hackett as the freshman class sponsors for the 2014-2015 school year.
3 Greg Trangmoe made a motion to hire Robin Evans and Josette Hackett as the freshman class
4 sponsors as presented. Dawn Shinn seconded the motion. All voted aye.

5 Madam Chairwoman Cathi Cook asked the Board if they have any questions on the hiring
6 of Ted Adams and Rebecca Thompson as the sophomore class sponsors for the 2014-2015 school
7 year. Penny Bertram made a motion to hire Ted Adams and Rebecca Thompson as the
8 sophomore class sponsors as presented. Tim Schreiber seconded the motion. All voted aye.

9 Madam Chairwoman Cathi Cook asked the Board if they have any questions on the hiring
10 of Sue Wasser and Pam Johnson as the junior class sponsors for the 2014-2015 school year. Greg
11 Trangmoe made a motion to hire Sue Wasser and Pam Johnson as the junior class sponsors as
12 presented. Tim Schreiber seconded the motion. All voted aye.

13 Madam Chairwoman Cathi Cook asked the Board if they have any questions on the hiring
14 of Stacey Sager and Tammy Johnson as the senior class sponsors for the 2014-2015 school year.
15 Tim Schreiber made a motion to hire Stacey Sager and Tammy Johnson as the senior class
16 sponsors as presented. Penny Bertram seconded the motion. All voted aye.

17 **C. Discuss/Decision on Jr. High FB Asst. Coach – Don Murphy**

18 Madam Chairwoman Cathi Cook asked the Board if they have any questions on the hiring
19 of Don Murphy as a Middle School assistant football coach for the 2014-2015 school year. Roger
20 Bardsley made a motion to hire Don Murphy as a Middle School assistant football coach as
21 presented. Greg Trangmoe seconded the motion. Dawn Shinn, Roger Bardsley, Greg Trangmoe,
22 Cathi Cook and Tim Schreiber voted aye. Penny Bertram could not vote.

23 **D. Discuss/Decision on Jr. High VB Asst. Coach – Colleen Buhler**

24 Madam Chairwoman Cathi Cook asked the Board if they have any questions on the hiring
25 of Colleen Buhler as a Middle School assistant volleyball coach for the 2014-2015 school year.
26 Dawn Shinn made a motion to hire Colleen Buhler as a Middle School assistant volleyball coach
27 as presented. Greg Trangmoe seconded the motion. Dawn Shinn, Roger Bardsley, Greg
28 Trangmoe, Cathi Cook and Tim Schreiber voted aye. Penny Bertram could not vote.

1 **E. Accept Resignation Jr. High Yearbook – Colleen Cooper-Vandosdell**

2 Madam Chairwoman Cathi Cook told the Board the district has received a resignation
3 letter from Colleen Cooper-Vandosdell as the Jr. High yearbook advisor. Greg Trangmoe made a
4 motion to approve the resignation letter from Colleen Cooper-Vandosdell as presented. Tim
5 Schreiber seconded the motion. Dawn Shinn, Roger Bardsley, Greg Trangmoe, Cathi Cook and
6 Tim Schreiber voted aye. Penny Bertram could not vote.

7 **F. Discuss/Decision: Jr. High Yearbook – Brianna Huffman**

8 Madam Chairwoman Cathi Cook asked the Board if they have any questions on the hiring
9 of Brianna Huffman as the Jr. High yearbook advisor for the 2014-2015 school year. Dawn Shinn
10 made a motion to hire Brianna Huffman as the Jr. High yearbook advisor as presented. Tim
11 Schreiber seconded the motion. All voted aye.

12 **G. Discuss/Decision: Substitute Employees – See Attachment**

13 Superintendent David Whitesell told the Board the highlighted names are the ones that
14 need to be approved this month. Cathi asked the Board if they have any questions on any of the
15 subs to be hired. Tim Schreiber made a motion to hire the subs as presented. Dawn Shinn
16 seconded the motion. All voted aye.

17 **H. Out of District Enrollment – Elementary District**

18 Madam Chairwoman Cathi Cook asked the Board if they have any question on any of the
19 Elementary out of district students. After comments from the Board on a few of the students,
20 Dawn Shinn made a motion to approve the Elementary out of district students as presented. Greg
21 Trangmoe seconded the motion. Dawn Shinn, Roger Bardsley, Greg Trangmoe, Cathi Cook and
22 Tim Schreiber voted aye. Penny Bertram could not vote.

23 **I. Out of District Enrollment – High School District**

24 Madam Chairwoman Cathi Cook asked the Board if they have any question on any of the
25 High School out of district students. Penny Bertram made a motion to approve the High School
26 out of district students as presented. Tim Schreiber seconded the motion. All voted aye.

27 **J. Request for Early Enrollment – Board Policy #3110**

28 Jaclyn Mavencamp, the K-3 principal, told the Board there is a family that would like to

1 enroll their child early into kindergarten this year. Jaclyn told the Board the district did testing on
2 the child and this child is an average student for this age group. After comments from the Board
3 on why the parent would like this child to be enrolled early, how the child was tested and the
4 advantages and disadvantages of early enrollment, Tim Schreiber and a motion to deny the
5 request of the parent for early enrollment in the district. Dawn Shinn seconded the motion. .
6 Dawn Shinn, Roger Bardsley, Greg Trangmoe, Cathi Cook and Tim Schreiber voted aye. Penny
7 Bertram could not vote.

8 **K. Discuss/Decision on Lease Agreement**

9 Superintendent David Whitesell told the Board he has included a copy of a lease agreement
10 that was put together by attorney Elisabeth Kaleva for the district. David told the Board this will
11 be used for all leases but to modify the agreement for each specific lease the district has. David
12 also told the Board they have talked in the past about fair market value for leasing out district land
13 for pasture. After comments from the Board about the proposed lease agreement and what the
14 fair market value is for leasing out pasture land, Penny Bertram made a motion to approve this
15 lease agreement as presented and turn the fair market value of lease pasture over to the FFA
16 committee to determine that value. Tim Schreiber seconded the motion. All voted aye.

17 **L. Canceled Checks/Warrants**

18 Madam Chairwoman Cathi Cook asked the Board if they have any question on any of the
19 checks that need to be canceled. Greg Trangmoe made a made a motion to cancel the checks as
20 presented. Penny Bertram seconded the motion. All voted aye.

21 **M. Request for Transportation Services per Lone Rock Agreement – J. Peterson**

22 Superintendent David Whitesell told the Board the district has a request from a family for
23 the district to pick up two students with special needs in the Lone Rock school district boundaries.
24 David told the Board the transportation agreement between the Stevensville and Lone Rock
25 school district allows the district to do this. After comments from the Board on if the district
26 needs to get approval from the Board or the Lone Rock school district and how far will the bus
27 need to travel to pick up these students, Greg Trangmoe made a motion to extend the bus route
28 outside of our district per transportation agreement with Lone Rock School and contingent on the

1 outcome of Lone Rock School acceptance of that plan for the 2014-2015 school year. Roger
2 Bardsley seconded the motion. Dawn, Shinn, Roger Bardsley, Greg Trangmoe, Cathi Cook and
3 Tim Schreiber voted aye. Penny Bertram could not vote.

4 **8. Items for Information:**

5 **A. Students Representative Report**

6 Madam Chairwoman Cathi Cook told the Board that Trevor Motley has been elected to be
7 this year's student representative for the Board. Trevor talked about the freshman orientation the
8 district had this year. Trevor told the Board they will be having monthly assemblies again this
9 year. Trevor also talked about the visit some students went on to the nursing home in
10 Stevensville, the crowded student parking lot, the fund raisers they are doing right now and all the
11 sporting events that are happening in September and early October.

12 **B. Clerk's Report**

13 Business Manager Bill Schiele told the Board that everything is good. Bill told the Board
14 the budget and trustee report has been submitted to OPI. Bill also told the Board he will start the
15 monthly budget report in October.

16 **C. Principals Reports**

17 **i. SHS (9-12)**

18 **ii. SMS (4-8)**

19 **iii. SPS (K-3)**

20 Brian Gum told the board the projected High School enrollment is approximately 398
21 students. Brian talked about the districts dropout rate and how it has decreased over the last few
22 years. Brian talked about this year's morning tutorial program and homecoming week.

23 Tracy Rogstad told the Board she is getting familiar with all the new teachers and all the
24 students. Tracy told the Board she is getting lots of positive feedback from the teachers about
25 having an administrator in the 4-8 building. Tracy also told the Board she will be having her first
26 staff meeting tomorrow.

27 Jaclyn Mavencamp told the Board this year is the district highest student count for the first
28 day of school in the last 10 years. Jaclyn told the Board that open house and pie social will be

1 next Tuesday. Jackie talked about the staff training they will be doing in the near future. Jaclyn
2 also told the Board this week is fire prevention week.

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4 **D. Superintendent's Reports**

5 Superintendent David Whitesell talked about the district's enrollment and that the
6 enrollment is up from last year. David told the Board the district will no longer be picking up or
7 dropping off students at the 3 mile fire station bus stop this year and that they are working on a
8 new location for that bus stop. David told the Board the district will have a new SRO officer this
9 year. David updated the Board on API and the PA system. David told the Board the district has
10 received a lot of positive comments on the new fence at the football field. David also told the
11 Board he will be gone next Monday, Tuesday and Thursday.

12 Greg Trangmoe told the Board he has received several calls about the elimination of a
13 recess for some of the Elementary students. Superintendent David Whitesell told the Board the
14 elimination of the recess was due to the districts required number of minutes the district needs for
15 the student.

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17 **9. Adjourn:**

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

19 All voted aye.

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Board Chairman: Cathi Cook

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Date: 10-14-14

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School Board Clerk: William F. Schiele

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