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**Special Board Meeting**

**January 30, 2023**

**7:00 p.m.**

**Music Center Choir Room**

**1. Opening of Meeting – call to order – present – salute to flag**

Chairwoman Cathi Cook called the board meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. in the MPR Choir Room. Cathi led the Pledge of Allegiance. Trustees present were Stephanie Esch, Sean Lenahan, Jennifer Gunterman, Tony Hudson, Ben Meyer, Billy Donaldson, and Kris McKoy. Superintendent Dave Thennis, and Business Manager/Clerk Bill Schiele were present.

**2. Recognize Visitors/Public Comment**

**Board Comment**

Stephanie Esch told the Board she attended the Day of Advocacy in Helena and updated the Board on all the things that happened that day.

**Public Comment**

Audience members Jeff Gum, Bre Gum, Jim Engel, Amy Frost, Glen Frost, Kim Bierer Fran Schmitz, and Jessica Martinez expressed their concerns with the AD position at the district and the removal of block scheduling next school year.

**3. Consent Agenda**

**A. Employment\*All employments are pending satisfactory background checks**

**i. Randi Burdette – High School Social Studies Tutor**

**ii. Ryan Hansen – Middle School Basketball**

**iii. Substitutes**

Chairwoman Cathi Cook told the Board they will now approve the consent agenda items. Cathi asked the Board if there were any questions or comments on the consent agenda items. Cathi asked the Board if there were any consent agenda items they would like to remove from the list. There were no items to be removed. Cathi told the Board the consent of any trustee pertains

only to the items they have the authority to decide on and if there is no objection, the agenda items will be adopted by unanimous consent. There was no objection and the consent agenda items were approved by unanimous consent.

#### **4. Business: Action & Discussion**

##### **A. LIUNA Contract Approval**

Chairwoman Cathi Cook talked about the negotiation meetings the district had with the LIUNA, Local 1686 union and what the parties agreed to. Cathi asked the Board if they had any comments or questions on the CBA agreement. Ben Meyer made a motion to ratify the CBA between the Stevensville School District and the LIUNA, Local 1686 for the 2022-2023 school year as presented. Stephanie Esch seconded the motion. All voted aye.

##### **B. Stevensville Teacher Association Request to Open Negotiations**

Chairwoman Cathi Cook told the Board the district received a request to open negotiations with the Teachers union. Sean Lenahan made a motion to open negotiations with the Stevensville Teachers Association as presented. Billy Donaldson seconded the motion. All voted aye.

##### **C. Superintendent Evaluation – Closed Session**

Chairwoman Cathi Cook told the Board according to Montana Code 2-3-203 that she has determined the demands of the individual privacy clearly exceeds the merit of public disclosure and closed the meeting. Chairwoman Cathi Cook reopened the meeting.

#### **5. Adjourn**

Sean Lenahan made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Billy Donaldson seconded the motion. All voted aye.

Board Chairman: Signed Copy in District Office.

Date: February 14, 2023.

School Board Clerk: Signed Copy in District Office.