BOARD MINUTES

REGULAR MEETING

APRIL 10, 2018

The regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of Fort Benton High School and Elementary School Districts was called to order April 10, 2018 at 7:00 p.m. in the Board Room by Dean Schuler, Board Chairperson.

Members present: Joellyn Clark, Darin Arganbright, Adam Olson, Brant Hasbrouck, Dean Schuler, Greg McGinnis, Monte Giese, and Angel Johnson. A quorum was present.

Also present: Jory Thompson, Superintendent; Rusty Bowers; Steve Hamel, Business Manager/Clerk; Russ Axtman, Maintenance Supervisor; Brian Wood, Transportation Supervisor; Nathan Dunham, Activities Director; Jamie Ball, Seth Broesder, and Bethany DeBorde, reporter for the River Press.

Dean Schuler opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance.

It was moved by Angel Johnson, and seconded by Brant Hasbrouck, to approve the minutes of the March 13, 2018 regular meeting. The motion passed unanimously.

It was moved by Angel Johnson, and seconded by Monte Giese, to approve the minutes of the March 22, 2018 special meeting. The motion passed unanimously.

It was moved by Greg McGinnis, and seconded by Joellyn Clark, to approve payment of warrants. The motion passed unanimously.

Payroll: 91859 - 91946

Claims: 56504 - 56612

Dean Schuler asked if there was any public comment regarding issues not on the agenda, there was none.

Athletic Director, Nathan Dunham, made the following recommendations for 2018-19 coaching hires which the Board acted on:

It was moved by Monte Giese, and seconded by Angel Johnson, to hire Cassie Pimperton as Head Girls Basketball Coach and Kevin Shaw as Assistant Girls Basketball Coach. The motion passed unanimously.

It was moved by Darin Arganbright, and seconded by Brant Hasbrouck, to hire Tyler Pasha as Head Boys Basketball Coach and Nick Luoma as Assistant Boys Basketball Coach. The motion passed unanimously.

It was moved by Adam Olson, and seconded by Joellyn Clark, to hire Shannon and Gage Grossman as 5th-6th grade boys basketball coaches. The motion passed unanimously.

ROLL CALL

PLEDGE

MINUTES

REGULAR

SPECIAL 3/22/18

MINUTEES

WARRANTS

PUBLIC COMMENT

2018-19 COACHING HIRES

HIGH SCHOOL GIRLS BASKETBALL

HIGH SCHOOL BOYS BASKETBALL

5TH-6TH GRADE BOYS BASKETBALL

Mr. Dunham reported that with the large numbers participating in Middle School Track, a 3rd Coach was requested. It was moved by Angel Johnson, and seconded by Monte Giese, to hire a 3rd Middle School Track Coach for the 2018 season. The motion passed unanimously.

It was moved by Angel Johnson, and seconded by Joellyn Clark, to hire Rusty Bowers as the 3rd Middle School Track Coach for the 2018 season. The motion passed unanimously.

It was moved by Adam Olson, and seconded by Joellyn Clark, to allow Dawn Dunham to serve as a Volunteer Middle School Track Coach for the 2018 season. The motion passed unanimously.

Russ Axtman reported on various maintenance issues.

Officer Seth Broesder reported on the active shooter drill, teacher training, possibly having a resource officer in the school, the pros and cons of arming staff, and pepper spray.

Rusty Bowers reported on enrollment, activities, testing, ICU, upcoming trips, and teacher hiring.

Steve Hamel presented and reviewed the various monthly financial reports.

It was moved by Darin Arganbright, and seconded by Angel Johnson, to increase lunch and breakfast prices .25 cents per meal for the 2018-19 school year. The motion passed unanimously.

Mr. Thompson reported on the various activities going on at the elementary school.

Mr. Thompson announced the resignations of three teachers: Jessica Ronning, Claire Baer, and Allysa Price. He reported that the Advanced ED Review had been completed and that the review team was working on its final report.

It was moved by Angel Johnson, and seconded by Monte Giese, to rehire the following elementary tenured and non-tenured teachers: \* = non-tenured

Ray Allen Renee’ McDonald

Jamie Ball Nick Luoma\*

Diane Brooks\* Sheryl McGinnis

Tracy DeBruycker Cassie Pimperton

Catherine Dorian\* Salena Spees\*

Nathan Dunham\* Tabitha Truax\*

Peggy Gannon Carley Vielleux

Jessica Hanford Eric Lenington

The motion passed unanimously.

THIRD TRACK COACH APPROVED FOR THE 2018 SEASON

BOWERS HIRED AS 2018 MIDDLE SCHOOL TRACK COACH

DAWN DUNHAM APPROVED AS TRACK VOLUNTEER

MAINTENANCE

ACTIVE SHOOTER REPORT

HIGH SCHOOL PRINCIPAL REPORT

FINANCIALS

ELEMENTARY LEVY AMOUNT SET

ELEM. PRINCIPAL REPORT

SUPERINTENDENT REPORT

TENURED AND NON-TENURED ELEMENTARY TEACHERS REHIRED FOR 2018-19 SCHOOL YEAR

It was moved by Angel Johnson, and seconded by Joellyn Clark, to rehire the following elementary teachers for the 2018-19 school year which would be their 4th contract giving them tenure status:

Anna Arganbright

Megan Lords

Mandy Rominger

The motion passed unanimously.

It was moved by Monte Giese, and seconded by Brant Hasbrouck, to rehire the following high school tenured and non-tenured teachers for the 2018-19 school year: \* = non-tenured status.

Ray Allen Catherine Dorian\*

Nathan Dunham\* Marta Ferguson

Erik Lenington Nick Luoma\*

Sheryl McGinnis Cassie Pimperton

Kevin Shaw Salena Spees\*

Carly Vielleux

The motion passed unanimously.

It was moved by Brant Hasbrouck, and seconded by Adam Olson, to rehire Megan Lords for the 2018-19 school year which would be her 4th contract giving her tenure status. The motion passed unanimously.

The Board again discussed the possibility of hiring a full-time Agricultural Education Teacher for 2018-19. At the March meeting the Board had indicated a desire to have a full-time Agriculture teacher. It was moved by Darin Arganbright, and seconded by Angel Johnson, to allow Superintendent Thompson to recruit and offer a contract for Agricultural Education should a suitable candidate be found. The motion passed unanimously.

Jory Thompson reported that the calendar committee had presented the staff with 2 options and that the top vote getter is his recommendation for the 2018-19 school year. It was moved by Monte Giese, and seconded by Joellyn Clark, to adopt the recommended calendar for the 2018-19 school year. The motion passed unanimously. (see attachment #1)

Angel Johnson reported that the Personnel Committee had met with the Classified union representatives who had asked for a 2% raise for 2018-19 and 2019-20 along with a $100.00 increase in district contributions for health insurance. Ms. Johnson reported that the committee would be giving the union a counter offer.

ELEMENTARY TEACHERS AWARDED 4TH CONTRACTS FOR 2018-19 SCHOOL YEAR.

TENURED AND NON-TENURED ELEMENTARY TEACHERS REHIRED FOR 2018-19 SCHOOL YEAR

LORDS AWARDED 4TH CONTRACT, 2018-19 SCHOOL YEAR.

AGRICULTURAL EDUCATION TEACHER RECRUITMENT AND POSSIBLE HIRED APPROVED

2018-19 CALENDAR APPROVED

CLASSIFIED STAFF NEGOTIATIONS

Mr. Thompson stated that the administration had decided to recommend Kelly Rominger be hired as K-12 Counselor for the 2018-19 school year. It was moved by Joellyn Clark, and seconded by Angel Johnson, to hire Kelly Rominger as K-12 Counselor for 2018-19. In favor: Monte Giese, Angel Johnson, Joellyn Clark, Greg McGinnis, Dean Schuler, Darin Arganbright, and Brant Hasbrouck. Opposed: Adam Olson. The motion passed 7-1.

It was moved by Adam Olson, and seconded by Monte Giese, to adjourn the meeting at 9:25 p.m. The motion passed unanimously.

BOARD CHAIRPERSON\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

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ATTEST