BOARD MINUTES
REGULAR MEETING
August 11, 2026

Jenni Starman, Chairperson, called the meeting of the Board of Trustees of Fort Benton High School and Elementary School Districts to order August 11, 2026, at 7:02 p.m. in the High School Library.

ROLL CALL

Members present: Jenni Starman, Kyla Wright (via phone), Will Scott, Joellyn Clark, Darin Arganbright and Dusty Schuler. A quorum was present.

Also present: Greg Iverson, Superintendent; Cali O'Hara, Business Manager/Clerk; Roxie Benjamin, Elementary Principal; Bethany DeBorde, reporter for The River Press; Russ Axtman, Head Custodian; Paul Benhart, Transportation; Jamie Ball, Athletic Director; Bart Pugh.

PLEDGE

Jenni Starman opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance.

MINUTES

It was moved by Dusty Schuler, seconded by Joellyn Clark, to approve the minutes of the July 14, 2026, regular meeting. The motion passed unanimously.

WARRANTS

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

Payroll: 99120-99139
Claims: 63939-63979

PUBLIC COMMENT

Jenni Starman asked for public comment. None.

COMMUNICATIONS TO AND FROM THE BOARD

Communications to and from the Board: None.

TRANSPORTATION

Paul Benhart, Transportation- Reported that all the buses are ready to go, they will complete inspection next week. We are still looking for drivers if anyone is interested.

MAINTENANCE

Russ Axtman, Maintenance- Reported thank you to the summer cleaning crew for all the hard work. They are doing a great job; Corey, Kistia, Mandy, Lin, Sarah and Larry. The plumbing project is completed; last of the pipe insulation last week. Elementary primary wing and kitchen roof project should get underway this fall; he will meet with the company owner in the next couple of days to set up a schedule. Start of athletics prep on the outside. The gym floor was refinished last week. Working on lots of smaller projects and getting rooms ready as needed.

ATHLETIC DIRECTOR

Jamie Ball, Athletic Director – Reported 1st aid/CPR classes for coaches and bus drivers had been completed. They will hold a camera test for NHFS before the sports seasons start. Practices start next week; things are all ready to go. We are still looking for high school and middle school assistant wrestling coaches. Also looking for a cheer coach as well. The fall scrimmage will be August 20th @ 6:00 pm.

ELEMENTARY PRINCIPAL

Roxie Benjamin, Elementary Principal- Reported working hard to get ready for school. Excited for the upcoming year. Attended the SAM conference and learned several new things. Will begin to work on accreditation again this year.

BUSINESS MANAGER

Cali O'Hara, District Clerk- Reported that the TFS Report is completed and the new budget year has started.

ELEMENTARY BUDGET

It was moved by Joellyn Clark and seconded by Darin Arganbright to approve the FY 2027 Elementary budget. The motion passed unanimously.

HIGH SCHOOL BUDGET

It was moved by Dusty Schuler and seconded by Will Scott to approve the FY 2027 High School Budget. The motion passed unanimously.

SUPERINTENDENT

Greg Iverson, Superintendent- Reported that the high school is ready for students and teachers to return. Excited for the school year to start. The SAM conference in Helena was valuable, came home with lots of good material. Enjoyed student registration; was great to meet the students. Thank you again to the cleaning crew; the school looks great. Working on planning PIR days. Will work with Roxie to complete school accreditation. 7th grade orientation will be August 25th @ 7pm.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Committee Reports-

POLICY

Policy

2ND READING OF POLICY

It was moved by Joellyn Clark and seconded by Dusty Schuler to adopt the following policies: 2050, 2100, 2151, 3110, 3120, 3231, 3225-P, 3600-P, 5012-P, 5120-P, 5321, 5322, 5323, 5324, 1105, 3150. The motion passed unanimously.

MS/HS HANDBOOK

It was moved by Dusty Schuler and seconded by Joellyn Clark to approve the MS/HS Handbook. The motion passed unanimously.

FACILITY HANDBOOK

It was moved by Darin Arganbright and seconded by Joellyn Clark to approve the Facility Handbook. The motion passed unanimously.

ELEMENTARY HANDBOOK

It was moved by Joellyn Clark and seconded by Darin Arganbright to approve the Elementary Handbook. The motion passed unanimously.

Resignations – None

RESIGNATIONS

Hires –
It was moved by Dusty Schuler and seconded by Joellyn Clark to hire Angela Thomas and Rachel Cook as Co-Head Cooks. The motion passed unanimously.

HIRES

COOKS

It was moved by Joellyn Clark and seconded by Dusty Schuker to hire Connie Walker, Corey Walker and Cali O'Hara as concessions managers. The motion passed unanimously.

CONCESSIONS MANAGERS

It was moved by Joellyn Clark and seconded by Will Scott to hire Mark Sullivan as Custodian. The motion passed unanimously.

CUSTODIAN

Future Agenta Items –

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

It was moved by Dusty Schuler and seconded by Joellyn Clark to adjourn the meeting at 7:45 p.m.

ADJOURN

CLERK_____

ATTEST

BOARD CHAIRPERSON_____