

BOARD MINUTES
REGULAR AND FINAL BUDGET MEETING
AUGUST 8, 2017

The regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of Fort Benton High School and Elementary School Districts was called to order August, 2017 at 7:00 p.m. in the High School/Middle School Board Room by Angel Johnson, Board Vice-Chairperson.

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

ROLL CALL

Also present: Jory Thompson, Superintendent; Steve Hamel, Business Manager/Clerk; Russ Axtman, Maintenance Supervisor; Brian Wood, Transportation Supervisor, Jeannette Nelson, Jamie Ball, and Bethany DeBorde, reporter for the River Press.

Angel Johnson opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance.

PLEDGE

It was moved by Joellyn Clark, and seconded by Brant Hasbrouck, to approve the minutes of the July 11, 2017 regular meeting. The motion passed unanimously.

MINUTES

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

WARRANTS

Payroll: 91289 - 91319
Claims: 55725 - 55802

There was no public comment regarding non-agenda items.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Angel Johnson shared a thank-you letter from Marjorie Schuler.

CORRESPONDANCE

Russ Axtman reported on the ongoing summer maintenance and cleaning projects and thanked the cleaning staff for their hard work.

MAINTENANCE REPORT

Steve Hamel presented and explained the 2016-17 Trustees financial summaries for both the Fort Benton Elementary and the Fort Benton High School districts.

TRUSTEES FINANCIAL

The Board reviewed and discussed the proposed budget amounts for the budgeted funds of both the High School and Elementary districts:

FINAL BUDGET HEARING

It was moved by Greg McGinnis, and seconded by Adam Olson, to set the budgets for the following Elementary funds for the 2017-2018 fiscal year....

ELEMENTARY
BUDGETS
ADOPTED

General	1,588,296.23
Transportation	59,264.60
Tuition	16,181.39
Retirement	300,000.00
Adult Ed.	10,000.00
Technology	35,421.08
Flexibility	24,614.03
Building Reserve	33,620.97

The motion passed unanimously.

It was moved by Greg McGinnis, and seconded by Brant Hasbrouck, to set the budgets for the following High School funds for the 2017-2018 fiscal year....

General	1,252,711.93
Transportation	409,113.54
Retirement	300,000.00
Adult Ed.	10,000.00
Technology	20,829.20
Flexibility	122,287.17
Building Reserve	592.16

The motion passed unanimously.

It was moved by Greg McGinnis, and seconded by Joellyn Clark, to approve the high school over-base levy of \$481,816.32. The motion passed unanimously. It was moved by Joellyn Clark, and seconded by Brant Hasbrouck, to approve the elementary over-base levy of \$314,305.85. The motion passed unanimously.

It was moved by Greg McGinnis, and seconded by Joellyn Clark, to approve the elementary reserves of \$231,589.33. The motion passed unanimously. It was moved by Brant Hasbrouck, and seconded by Joellyn Clark, to approve the high school reserves of \$233,745.39. The motion passed unanimously.

Jeannette Nelson presented the annual lunch financial report. The report showed that, even with the increase in meal prices, the revenue from student meals decrease slightly.

Steve Hamel recommend adopt the pre-employment physical program offered by the district's worker's compensation carrier, MSGIA. MSGIA conducts a pre-employment physical of a candidate for a maintenance or kitchen position to make sure that the candidate and perform the duties of that position. The physical examination would be done by a local physical therapist and be paid for by MSGIA. It was moved by Greg McGinnis, and seconded by Adam Olson, to adopt the pre-employment physical program offered by MSGIA. The motion passed unanimously.

Jory Thompson reported on the schedule leading up to the beginning of school and new transportation standards.

It was moved by Joellyn Clark, and seconded by Brant Hasbrouck, to hire Suzanne Woodburn as Middle School Tennis Coach. The motion passed unanimously.

It was moved by Joellyn Clark, and seconded by Adam Olson, to approve the classified handbook as presented with "vaping products" added to the list of prohibited smoking items allowed on school property. The motion passed unanimously.

It was moved by Brant Hasbrouck, and seconded by Joellyn Clark, to accept the Student, Guidance, Coaches, Elementary Student/Teacher's, Transportation, and extracurricular bus handbooks on second reading. The motion passed unanimously.

HIGH
SCHOOL
BUDGETS
ADOPTED

OVER-BASE
LEVIES
APPROVED

RESERVES
APPROVED

ANNUAL FINANCIAL
REPORT

PRE-EMPLOYMENT
PHYSICAL REQUIREMENT
ADOPTED FOR
CUSTODIANS AND COOKS

SUPERINTENDENT REPORT

WOODBURN HIRED AS
MIDDLE SCHOOL TENNIS
COACH

CLASSIFIED HANDBOOK
ADOPTED WITH ADDITION

MULTIPLE HANDBOOKS
ADOPTED

Adam Olson reported that the transportation committee had met and decided to recommend that the Board replace the oldest "traveler" bus with a new bus. The new bus will cost \$183,000.00 and the trade in on the old bus will be \$15,000 so the district will pay \$173,000.00. It was moved by Adam Olson, and seconded by Brant Hasbrouck, to purchase the new bus for a net price of \$173,000.00. The motion passed unanimously.

TRANSPORTATION
COMMITTEE REPORT

NEW BUS PURCHASE

Jory Thompson reported that Wesley Skerritt had resigned as bus driver.

SKERRITT RESIGNATION

It was moved by Greg McGinnis, and seconded by Joellyn Clark, to hire Kim Singer as a bus driver. The motion passed unanimously.

SINGER HIRED AS BUS
DRIVER

It was moved by Greg McGinnis, and seconded by Joellyn Clark, to give Jory Thompson permission to hire aides and custodians pending Board and fingerprint approval. The motion passed unanimously.

THOMPSON APPROVAL TO
HIRE OPEN POSITIONS

Future agenda items: possibly changing family night and policy committee meeting.

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

Next scheduled Board Meeting is September 12, 2017.

NEXT MEETING

It was moved by Greg McGinnis, and seconded by Adam Olson, to adjourn at 8:35 p.m.

ADJOURN

BOARD CHAIRPERSON _____

ATTEST

CLERK _____