

BOARD MINUTES
REGULAR MEETING
DECEMBER 20, 2018

The regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of Fort Benton High School and Elementary School Districts was called to order December 20, 2018 at 10:30 a.m. in the Elementary Board Room by Joellyn Clark, Board Chairperson.

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

ROLL CALL

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

Joellyn Clark opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance.

PLEDGE

It was moved by Dean Schuler, and seconded by Brant Hasbrouck, to approve the minutes of the November 13, 2018 regular meeting. The motion passed unanimously.

MINUTES

It was moved by Dean Schuler, and seconded by Mandy Wright, to approve payment of warrants. The motion passed unanimously.

WARRANTS

Payroll: 92531 - 92608

Claims: 57567 - 57669

Joellyn Clark asked if there was public comment on an issue not included on the agenda. There was none.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Joellyn Clark led the Board in a discussion evaluating each of the first 3 goal areas of the district's strategic plan.

BOARD CHAIR

Mr. Dunham reviewed each of the proposals that will be voted on at the yearly Montana High School Association meeting. The Board gave Mr. Dunham direction on how to vote on each issue as they are currently written, understanding that proposals are often amended at the meeting.

ACTIVITIES
DIRECTOR

The Board recessed for lunch from 11:40 to 12:00

RECESS

Darin Arganbright reported that the extracurricular committee had met twice to discuss a proposed extracurricular co-op with Geraldine. At the end of the 2nd meeting the committee voted 3-1 to NOT recommend sending the proposal to the Board.

GERALDINE ACTIVITIES
CO-OP DENIED IN
COMMITTEE

It was moved by Brant Hasbrouck, and seconded by Adam Olson, to re-hire Jory Thompson as Head Football Coach and Nick Luoma as Assistant Football Coach for the 2019 season. The motion passed unanimously. A second assistant is being sought.

2019 FOOTBALL
COACHES HIRED

It was moved by Angel Johnson, and seconded by Brant Hasbrouck, to re-hire Shana Diekhans as Head Volleyball Coach and Salena Spees as Assistant Volleyball Coach for the 2019 school year. The motion passed unanimously.

2019 VOLLEYBALL
COACHES HIRED

Russ Axtman reported on various projects that have been completed and those that are on-going.

MAINTENANCE

Mr. Miller reported that high school enrollment is down 1, the district will be purchasing a plagiarism software (along with Geraldine and Highwood), and that heart rate monitors will be purchased for the physical education classes.

7-12 PRINCIPAL REPORT

Steve Hamel presented and discussed the monthly financial reports.

FINANCIALS

It was moved by Darin Arganbright, and seconded by Angel Johnson, to adjust Board Policy 7400, line 15 from a \$10,000 line of credit to a \$50,000 line of credit. The motion passed unanimously on second reading.

CREDIT LINE INCREASE

Mr. Hamel reported that he had not included the August Board action regarding renewing the Multi-District Agreement in the August Board Minutes. He requested that the August minutes be amended to show the action taken. It was moved by Darin Arganbright, and seconded by Mandy Wright, to amend the August 2018 minutes to show that the Board approved renewing the High School/Elementary Multi-District agreement for 3 years. The motion passed unanimously.

AUGUST 2018 MINUTES
AMENDED

Mr. Hamel reported that, as of December 13, registered voters wishing to run for a position on the Board of Trustees may do so by submitting the proper paperwork to him. Current Board members whose positions will be open are Angel Johnson, Joellyn Clark (both School District #1 Representatives) and Dean Schuler (Knees District Representative)

OPEN BOARD POSITIONS
AND APPLICATIONS
AVAILABLE

Mr. Thompson had Roxie Benjamin report on the RTI program in the elementary. Mr. Thompson discussed enrollment, attendance, the Shop with the Sheriff program, Parent Teacher's conferences, and the various Christmas activities.

ELEMENTARY
PRINCIPAL AND
SUPERINTENDENT
REPORT

It was moved by Mandy Wright, and seconded by Adam Olson, to hire Jodi Butler as a substitute cook and Tolan Allen as a substitute teacher. The motion passed unanimously.

BUTLER AND ALLEN
HIRED AS SUBS

It was moved by Dean Schuler, and seconded by Adam Olson, to adjourn the meeting at 12:57 a.m. The motion passed unanimously.

ADJOURN

BOARD CHAIRPERSON _____

ATTEST

CLERK _____