

BOARD MINUTES
REGULAR MEETING
SEPTEMBER 11, 2018

The regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of Fort Benton High School and Elementary School Districts was called to order September 11, 2018 at 7:00 p.m. in the Board Room by Joellyn Clark, Board Chairperson.

Members present: Joellyn Clark, Darin Arganbright, Adam Olson, Angel Johnson, Brant Hasbrouck, and Mandy Wright. Members absent: Dean Schuler, and 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; Jamie Ball, Roxie Benjamin Nathan Dunham, and Bethany DeBorde, reporter for the River Press.

Joellyn Clark opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance.

PLEDGE

It was moved by Angel Johnson, and seconded by Adam Olson, to approve the minutes of the August 14, 2018 regular meeting. The motion passed unanimously.

MINUTES

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

WARRANTS

Payroll: 92310 - 92373
Claims: 57211 - 57310

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

PUBLIC COMMENT

Board Chair Clark read a letter of thanks from the Air Force for allowing them to conduct emergency services training at the school in August. Mrs. Clark also reported that Big Sandy had approved the district's request to allow a route bus to enter their district, Chester-JI had denied the district's request.

BOARD CHAIR

The Board discussed moving Family Night to Wednesday, it is currently Monday. Mrs. Clark reminded the Board that the same proposal had failed last year on a tie vote. Mr. Dunham reported that, since most of the other districts we play in sports have their Family Night on Wednesdays, scheduling events would be much easier. If the district wanted to change, there would be some existing games scheduled but, no more would be added to Wednesday nights. It was moved by Angel Johnson, and seconded by Brant Hasbrouck, to change Family Night to Wednesdays. The motion passed unanimously. There will be a second reading vote in October for the handbook change.

FAMILY/CHURCH
NIGHT MOVED

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

MAINTENANCE

Mr. Dunham reported on the fall activities: participation is up, Homecoming plans, and the new pixelot camera system in the gym. Angel Johnson requested that students suspected of concussions take the computer test before seeing medical professionals. Doing so would give the doctors another analytic tool. Mr. Dunham replied that could be done, current written protocol says that the student is to be sent to the doctor first but, the change could be made.

ACTIVITIES
DIRECTOR

CONCUSSION
DISCUSSION

RTI Coordinator, Roxie Benjamin informed the Board on: plans for testing, the new aides, Dibels, and benchmark assessments.

ELEMENTARY RTI
REPORT

7-12 Principal Brian Miller reported on enrollment and schedules and challenges with the current testing systems, and ICU changes.

7-12 PRINCIPAL REPORT

It was moved by Mandy Wright, and seconded by Darin Arganbright, to amend the ICU policy to: not include juniors and seniors, and to create a 3 week period for students to complete/pass assignments and tests. The motion passed unanimously.

ICU ADJUSTMENTS
PASSED ON 1ST READING

It was moved by Angel Johnson, and seconded by Mandy Wright, to declare 10 tables and 3 wooden desks as obsolete and/or unsuitable for school use. The motion passed unanimously. An ad will be placed in the River Press and the public will have 2 weeks to object to any sale or disposal of the above mentioned items.

OBSOLETE EQUIPMENT

Mr. Thompson discussed the start of the school year: K-6 enrollment is up by 13, registration went well, the mentoring system, and assemblies. His Superintendent discussion touched on: route busses being allowed into Big Sandy and denied into Chester-JI districts, the upcoming legislative session, Golden Triangle Curriculum Coop, 20 day goal meetings with department heads, and out-of-district student approval procedures.

K-6 PRINCIPAL –
SUPERINTENDENT
REPORT

Mr. Thompson announced the resignations of Lila Nansel as an elementary special education aide, and Wendy Bird as a .5 RTI aide once a new aide is hired....she will continue as the part-time Spanish teacher and aide.

NANSEL/BIRD
RESIGNATIONS

It was moved by Adam Olson, and seconded by Mandy Wright, to hire Scotti Wood as an elementary special education aide. The motion passed unanimously.

SCOTTI WOOD HIRED

It was moved by Angel Johnson, and seconded by Mandy Wright, to hire Hallie Lowe to help clean at the elementary 3 hours per night. The motion passed unanimously.

HALLIE LOWE HIRED

Future Agenda Items: Church Night 2nd reading, ICU 2nd reading, testing.

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

It was moved by Angel Johnson, seconded by Mandy Wright, to adjourn the meeting at 8:15 p.m. The motion passed unanimously.

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BOARD CHAIRPERSON _____

ATTEST

CLERK _____