MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF SD #4

The trustees met in regular session, September 19, 2016 at 6:30 p.m. in the library. Those present throughout the meeting were Rhonda Hogstad Chairman, Business Manager Jeanne Carroll, Vice-Chairman, Mark Berg, Brent Lipp, Superintendent, Trustee Billie Bergstrom and Trustee Manny Zuniga.

The chairman called the meeting to order and led the group in the pledge of allegiance.

Item #7 Resolution for Disposal of Property under New Business was removed. Manny moved to approve the amended Consent Agenda. Water corrosion system added under New Business #10. Joel seconded...All in favor.

CONSENT AGENDA

Month in Review

Mr. Lipp included his administrative report in the packet:

- Brent said in his report, that he has been focused on principal duties and not necessarily the superintendent side of the job. His goal this month was to have a great start to the school year making sure students and staff have all their needs met. He says he has to commend the staff for the hard work they have been investing in our district. We have had a very good start to the school year and a positive feeling throughout the whole building.
- Professional development is well under way this year. September 19th and 20th will consist of the staff taking a workshop in Laurel learning about standardized grading and how to utilize the standards to our best ability, followed by breakout sessions of various educational topics. On the 20th, we are going to be back in the school working in our professional learning communities on various issues and topics. Ken O’ Connor was the speaker today and Brent brought info to share with the board on standardized grading and the standards. He gave the board a quick orientation on it. He will keep informing the board on it month-by-month.
- At the beginning of the year, we work very hard in getting our student’s correctly placed and educational needs met. He is pleased to tell the board that this year, all students have been assessed and grouped in record time. Mrs. Thelen, Mrs. Tennant, and the rest of the teaching staff did a fabulous job getting this accomplished. He said this is a great feeling and positive start for our building and really promotes a strong educational start for the students.
- Athletics is off to a busy season. The girls basketball teams are doing well and the coaches are having a great time working with the girls. Football had a big win on the 13th, which was a good uplifting moment for our kids. Cross Country has been very competitive this year, in particular, the 8th grade girls who recently had a team third place finish at River Front Park. He anticipates a very successful year in sports and other extracurricular areas.
- He said our newest student extracurricular topic lately has been a Lego Robotics Club. This is an intense after school club that has a yearly topic that they research and present on in Bozeman this spring. The students are also challenged in building and programming a Lego robotic to conduct a series of difficult tasks on a 4 X 8 table under a set amount of time. This is very challenging and great for our students that are looking for a different type of competitive event to participate in. Mrs. Halama and Mrs. Howard are leading the charge for this club. A big thanks to them for the donated time and effort to get this started.
- The corrosion control system is up and running and doing well. He will talk about this more.
- Brent recently completed our grant application for this coming year. He said we are set!

NEW BUSINESS

5. Superintendent’s Goals for 2016-17

Brent presented his goals for the coming year and reviewed them with the board. Jeanne said in line with Brent’s goal to increase communication with trustees in regards to procedural guideline, because
she was remiss in giving Joel the new board member orientation, she thought it might be helpful as an entire board review to give out the information on the role of the school board and the individual trustee. She will still schedule with Joel so that she and Brent can give him the full orientation.

6. Approve 2016-17 MOU Student Transportation  
   **APPROVE 2015-16 MOU STUDENT TRANSPORTATION**
   Mark moved to approve the MOU Student Transportation for 2016-17 with District No 2. Joel seconded. This is for a new student in the district that needs to attend outside the school. All in favor.

7. Resolution to Dispose of Property  
   **RESOLUTION TO DISPOSE OF PROPERTY**
   Removed

8. Approve Extra-curricular Contracts  
   **APPROVE EXTRA-CURRICULAR CONTRACTS**
   Joel moved to hire Mike Rice as Athletic Director, Jim Swain as 7/8th Girls Basketball, Brittany Anderson as 5/6 Girls Basketball, Jim Swain as 7/8th Boys Basketball, Kelsey Williams as 7/8 Girls Volleyball, Ashley Vogl as 5/6 Girls Volleyball, Jamie Timm as 6-8 Cross Country, Brittany Anderson for Math Counts, Kim Tennant and Haley Kuntz for MBI/Student Council, Kalli Murphy for Music Festival and Mike Rice for the 8th Grade Trip. Mark Seconded. All in favor.

9. Board Self-evaluation  
   **BOARD SELF-EVALUATION**
   Jeanne handed out the forms to the board. They can complete and come back to the next meeting to discuss them. They need to be back to Jeanne by Oct 10th.

10. Water Corrosion System  
    The corrosion system has been completed. Earl constantly checks the levels. The phosphates coat the pipes and are safe for drinking. A lot of Pam’s hours with Tetra Tech were not charged out because she is a parent here.

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

10. Strategic Plan  
    **STRATEGIC PLAN**
    Brent said he needs just a little more information to be able to set this up. Peggy Owens, Sage Consulting, would like a date set up for a meeting. Give 3 options for dates. Bring in someone from the public, someone from the teaching staff, someone from the classified dates. November 7th November 14th and 21st after board meeting; bump to 5:30 p.m. was suggested

**AGENDA ITEMS FOR THE NEXT REGULAR MEETING**

   MCEL Conference
   Business Manager Report on Enrollment/ANB

   *There being no further business, Manny moved to adjourn the meeting at 7:31 pm.*

   Respectfully submitted,

Jeanne Carroll, District Clerk

Rhonda Hogstad, Chair

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