

BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING MINUTES

March 9, 2021

5:30pm in Commons in Middle School

Call to Order, Pledge of Allegiance, Roll

A regular meeting of the Board of Trustees was called to order at 5:34 PM by Chairman Nathan Zito

Trustees Present: Jay Jamieson, Kelley Oakes, Missy Jones & Rich Pope. A quorum was present.

Trustees Absent: None

Administration Present: Superintendent Nathan Schmitz, Principal Mike Rice, Jesse Moore and Business Manager Julie Copeman

Administration absent: None

Adopt the Agenda: A motion was made to adopt the agenda. Motion: Missy Jones Second: Rich Pope Pass: 5:0

Public Present: Tammy Robertus, Vicki Green, Erin Romo, Amber Marsich, Jenn Hoffman, Misse Iverson, Kelsey Daer, Trevor Daer, Brittany Jore & Pam Jurovich

Public Comment – None

Reports and Recognitions

A. Administration Report

- a. **Superintendent:** Mr. Schmitz stated that he met with the board and administration to discuss reopening plans. Met with Mrs. Copeman to discuss budget and SB307. The Governor's visit was a huge success. Administration met with a Co-op representative and A&E to discuss finalizing the sensory path in the connector hallway. Met with Mrs. Phillips to discuss cyber security policy.
- b. **Middle school Principal:** Mr. Rice stated that the principal award was handed out. High school registration was completed recently. Tech team is doing amazing things and a great opportunity for the students. Two new clubs that have started include an Art Club & TSA (Technology Student Association) club, which includes all things STEM. MAPS testing has been scheduled. The Ron Clark vision team continues to promote Outlaw Essentials with weekly activities. Volleyball season is almost over and track season will be starting soon.
- c. **Elementary Principal:** Mr. Moore stated the principal award was handed out. Going Above & Beyond tickets continue to be handed out and a positive experience for the students. Book study group is going well. Governor Gianforte and State Superintendent Arntzen visited the school last week. PTO helped get the school and grounds ready for the visit. 5th grade student council members led them through the school and discussed some history of the school. The Governor positively commented on the communication skills of the students. Mr. Moore explained the Amazing Shake program to the Governor.

B. Teachers Report:

- a. MS: none
- b. Elem: none

C. Technology Report: none

D. Financial Report: Mrs. Copeman stated bank accounts have been balanced and also books are balanced with the county. Audit is almost completed. She also went over student count and how ANB is derived.

E. Student Council Report: none

F. Correspondence: nurses monthly reports

Consent Agenda:

- A. **Minutes** – Regular meeting minutes February 9, 2021
- B. **Claims Clearing Warrants**- 9019276 - 9019289, 9019290 - 9019301
- C. Payroll Clearing ACH & Warrants
- D. Activities Account
- E. TR-35 Bus Driver Cert

Motion was made to approve the Consent Agenda

Motion: Kelley Oakes Second: Rich Pope Passed: 5:0

Discussion

- A. **Permissive Levy Resolution:** A motion was made to adopt the Resolution of Intent to Increase Non-Voted Levies

Motion: Kelley Oakes 2nd: Missy Jones Pass: 5:0

B. **Salary Fund Update:** Information only. Chairman Zito discussed his idea about a stipend in lieu of health benefits and how this can save us money in the long run and eventually be able to increase salaries.

C. **Re-opening Plan:** Motion was made to discuss the reopening plan.

Motion: Missy Jones 2nd: Jay Jamieson Pass: 5:0

Mr. Schmitz recommended modifying the original re-opening plan. He went on to describe and explain the items of interest & concern.

Motion was made to adjust the current plan per Superintendent's list.

Motion: Missy Jones 2nd: Jay Jamieson Pass: 5:0

D. **General Fund Levy:** Mr. Schmitz recommended we not run a levy this year.

Motion: Rich Pope 2nd: Missy Jones Pass: 5:0

E. **Executive Session:** Chairman Zito called for an executive session at 7:25 pm to discuss Business Manager/Clerk evaluation.

Executive Session ended at 8:31pm

The next board meeting is Tuesday April 13, 2021 at 5:30PM.

Adjournment

Chairman Nathan Zito recommended adjourning the meeting at 8:32 PM.

Motion: Rich Pope Second: Missy Jones Passed: 5:0

Signed:

Attest:

Nathan Zito, Chairman

Date

Julie Copeman, District Clerk

Date