

PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES
SD #58 YELLOWSTONE COUNTY
BILLINGS, MT 59106

April 21, 2015

Chair John Dailey called the regularly scheduled Board of Trustees meeting to order at 3:45 p.m.

PRESENT: John Dailey, Chris Eide , Superintendent Mike Sullivan, Principal Keith Tresch and Clerk Roger Heimbigner. A quorum was present.

GUESTS: Tom Barrett, Steve Restad and Traci Preston

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited by all in attendance.

**HEARING OF
INDIVIDUALS/
CORRESPONDENCE**

None

OLD BUSINESS

Trustee Reports/Action

Clerk Roger Heimbigner reported that Chris Eide is not a registered voter so he cannot be a board member until he files his registration to vote. John Dailey's write-in petition also contained names of people who were not registered so there weren't enough signatures to validate the write-in vote. Based on this, Roger stated that John is still on the board until next meeting and recommended that he vacate Chris Eide's position and replace the position with himself. Since it is after the deadline of election filing, this position would be for a one-year position until the next regularly scheduled meeting. In that way, there would be a board member for the next board meeting in May. John Dailey moved to vacate Chris Eide's trustee position and to replace this position with John Dailey starting with the May board meeting. Motion passed unanimously.

Budget Presentation

Clerk Roger Heimbigner presented to the board and administration a budget presentation documenting the revenue sources and expenditures currently being used in the 2015-16 budget and expected expenses for the 2016-17 school year. The Academy continues to expend more than the revenues being brought in and then having to use cash reserves to balance the budget. This can

be done for another year assuming we receive the same revenues as we did this year. There was discussion on YBGR reducing their contribution by \$100,000 for next year. The board discussed the possible ramifications of this. Mike Sullivan and John Dailey discussed with the new finance director Steve Restad the possibility of determining the educational dollars that follow each student and coming up with a formula that determines the amount of dollars that the Academy receives each year from YBGR. Currently it is just a plug in number to help balance the budget. Steve discussed on how he needs to analyze the entire YBGR budget and determine the cost in each area of the operation and how that factors in to what each unit gets as there are different competing demands. John Dailey asked that educational dollars that are being received from residential students be sent to the Academy. There was further discussion on health insurance increases of up to 40% and the impact that may have on both budgets. Roger laid out how the dollars are being received from public sources verses private sources and how that relates to the percentage of public students verses residential students being educated.

NEW BUSINESS

Items for Action

Approve Minutes/Bills

A motion was made by John Dailey to approve the minutes of the March 2015 meeting. Motion passed unanimously.

A motion was made by John Dailey to approve the bills for payment. Motion passed unanimously.

Approve Letter of Retirement

John Dailey moved to approve the letter of retirement from Bruce Heidel as a teacher as of June 5, 2015, a letter of resignation of Kimberly Schwarm as a paraprofessional as of April 24th, and a letter of resignation from Bobby Sipes as a paraprofessional as of May 1st, 2015. Motion passed unanimously. Supt. Sullivan reported he will advertise for these positions.

Approve Calendar

John Dailey moved to approve the 2015-16 calendar as recommendation by administration and staff. Motion passed unanimously.

Superintendent Report

Supt. Sullivan touched on the AdvancEd Accreditation report. The accreditation deviation was in library which will be covered by Val Clause next year as she has received her library endorsement.

Adjournment:

John Dailey moved to adjourn. Motion passed unanimously. Adjournment was at 5:15 p.m.

Next meeting scheduled for May 18th , 2015 at 3:45 p.m.

John Dailey, Chairman

Roger Heimbigner, Clerk