

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

August 19, 2020

Board Chair Mitch Burns called a regular Board of Trustees meeting to order at 12:00 p.m. on August 19, 2020. The meeting was in the conference room.

PRESENT: Mitch Burns Chris Eide ( via Zoom) and Michael Chandler. Absent: none. Superintendent Keith Tresch, Principal Cass Cole, Dwight VonSchriltz and Clerk Roger Heimbigner were present.

GUESTS: None

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited by all in attendance.

**HEARING OF  
INDIVIDUALS/  
CORRESPONDENCE**

None.

**APPROVE ADDITION**

None.

**NEW BUSINESS**

**Items for Action**

**Approve Minutes for July 22<sup>nd</sup> , 2020**

Michael Chandler moved, seconded by Mitch Burns to approve the minutes of July 22<sup>nd</sup> , 2020. Motion passed unanimously.

**Approve Bills**

A motion was made by Michael Chandler, seconded by Mitch Burns to approve the bills for payment. Motion passed unanimously.

**Appoint Hiring**

Michael Chandler moved, seconded by Mitch Burns to approve the hiring of Mary Montgomery as a math teacher, Brooke Lucas as a behavior specialist, and Ellen Kaline and Neila Getz as paraprofessionals. Motion passed unanimously.

### **Approve Resignations**

Michael Chandler moved, seconded by Mitch Burns to approve the resignations of Jim Cottingham and David Middletich as teachers and Julie Curtis as a paraprofessional. Motion passed unanimously.

### **Approve Budget/Trustee Report**

Clerk Roger Heimbigner presented and reviewed with the board the Trustee Report for the 2019-20 school year and the Budget for the 2020-21 school year. A motion was made by Michael Chandler, seconded by Mitch Burns to approve the Yellowstone Academy Budget for the 2020-21 school year. Michael Chandler moved, seconded by Mitch Burns for approve the Yellowstone Academy Trustee Report for the 2019-20 school year. Both motions passed unanimously.

### **Approve Next Board Meeting Time and Date**

Michael Chandler moved, seconded by Mitch Burns to approve the next board meeting to be Wednesday, September 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2020 at 12:00 p.m. Motion passed unanimously.

### **Superintendent Report**

Supt. Keith Tresch reported on the following:

- 1) Supt. Tresch reviewed with the board how education was going to be provided in the different buildings and lodges to start school. There was discussion on how higher functioning students will be more individualized including using the Montana Digital Academy and Gradpoint, There will be at least one para per Lodge and no kids will be sent to the offices;
- 2) Supt. Tresch stated we will use the clinics as needed;
- 3) The board discussed how long the current structure will be in place. Supt. Tresch responded that it is a fluid model but probably this will stay this way until at least the semester.

### **Trustee Report**

None

### **Adjournment:**

Michael Chandler moved, seconded by Mitch Burns to adjourn. Motion passed unanimously. Adjournment was at 12:45 p.m. Next meeting is scheduled for September 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2020 at noon.

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Mitch Burns, Chairman

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Roger Heimbigner, Clerk