

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

January 18th , 2023

Board Chair Michael Chandler called a regular Board of Trustees meeting to order at 12:00 p.m. on January 18th , 2023. The meeting was in the conference room.

PRESENT: Lacey Jones and Michael Chandler. Absent: Chris Myers. Superintendent Keith Tresch, Cass Cole, Dwight Vanschultz, and 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 December 21st , 2022

Michael Chandler moved, seconded by Lacey Jones to approve the minutes of December 21st, 2022. Motion passed unanimously.

Approve Bills for December/January 2023

A motion was made by Michael Chandler, seconded by Lacey Jones to approve the bills for payment and check listing. Motion passed unanimously.

Approve Resignation/New Hires

A motion was made by Michael Chandler, seconded by Lacey Jones to approve the resignation of Makayla Granholm as of November 30th and the hiring of Breanne Payne as a Behavior Specialist and Allicia Zagar and Madison Wright as Paras. Motion passed unanimously.

Approve Next Board Meeting Time and Date

Lacey Jones moved, seconded by Michael Chandler to approve setting the next board meeting for Wednesday, February 15th, 2023 at noon. Motion passed unanimously.

Superintendent Report

Supt. Tresch reported on the following:

- 1) Supt. Tresch discussed various grants that Yellowstone Academy is using. The Academy recently purchased \$17,000 worth of classroom furniture that the Foundation will be reimbursing. The Academy also receives Title 1, Title 1 Improvement, CARES dollars, and other mini grants;
- 2) Supt. Tresch is working on the Census and Staffing for the 2023-24 school year and what that will look like. He will be bringing that to the board in one of the future board meetings for approval;
- 3) Christmas party went well. The sweatshirts were a hit;
- 4) Supt. Tresch reported that the Zoo will come on campus and have a presentation with students on Feb 9th. They have scheduled about 4 visits with each visit costing about \$200;
- 5) Supt. Tresch asked for feedback from the board on the 2023-24 calendar. The calendar for the most part mirrors the Billings School calendar and has a spring break built in;
- 6) Supt. Tresch talked about the Auto Class that the YBGR maintenance men are helping with. It has been well received. Each presentation is set up to work with 4 students at a time;
- 7) The Academy is looking into purchasing Vape Sensors as a deterrent;
- 8) Supt. Tresch reported that the neighboring elementary districts and the Academy are exploring the idea of hiring an SRO (student resource officer) to be on campus during the year. This position would be prorated but the total cost is about \$65,000 for a 2/3rd position. At this time we are just in the initial discussion phase;
- 9) DPHHS is providing air cleaners in every classroom.

Adjournment:

Michael Chandler moved, seconded by Lacey Jones to adjourn. Motion passed unanimously. Adjournment was at 12:32 p.m. Next meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, February 15th, 2023 at 12:00 p.m.

Michael Chandler, Board Chair

Roger Heimbigner, Clerk