

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

June 23rd , 2022

Board Chair Michael Chandler called a regular Board of Trustees meeting to order at 12:00 noon on June 23rd 2022. The meeting was in the conference room.

PRESENT: Chris Myers, Lacey Jones and Michael Chandler. Absent: none. Superintendent Keith Tresch, , Dwight VonSchriltz, Principal Cass Cole and Roger Heimbigner were present.

GUESTS: Lorelei Rosales

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 May 25th , 2022

Chris Myers moved, seconded by Lacey Jones to approve the minutes of May 25th , 2022. Motion passed unanimously.

Approve Bills for May/June 2022

A motion was made by Chris Myers, seconded by Lacey Jones to approve the bills for payment. Motion passed unanimously.

Approve New Hires

Chris Myers moved, seconded by Lacey Jones to approve the summer hiring of Braxton Hawes as a para and PE teacher in the fall; hiring of paraprofessionals Trista Fraley, Teena Sipes and Andrew Johnson; and the hiring of Robert O'dell as a relief para. Motion passed unanimously.

Approve Staff Bonus

Supt. Keith Tresch discussed with the board the idea of giving a staff bonus to employees who commit to working again next year

at least through December. Keith proposed giving employees \$200 per month for work completed from January – December 2022. To be eligible the employee must still be employed as of December 1st. The cost would be approximately \$200,000 to the Academy. Chris Myers moved, seconded by Lacey Jones to approve the bonus as outlined by Supt. Keith Tresch. Motion passed unanimously. There was discussion on when this payment would be made. Supt. Keith Tresch stated he was hoping that it could be made in December as a Christmas bonus.

Approve Next Board Meeting Time and Date

Chris Myers moved, seconded by Michael Chandler to approve setting the next board meeting for Wednesday, July 20th at noon. Motion passed unanimously.

Approve Grand Canyon University PLLSA

Supt. Keith Tresch talked to the board about Grand Canyon University's "Participants in Learning, Leading and Serving Agreement". There is no cost to the PLLS participant. High school students graduating from a PLLS participant high school will receive a minimum \$3,050 award package per academic year up to a possible \$13,250. A motion was made by Chris Myers, seconded by Lacey Jones for the Academy to be a PLLS participant. Motion passed unanimously.

Superintendent Report

Supt. Tresch reported on the following:

- 1) Supt. Tresch informed the board the Academy through YBGR has applied for a Security Grant for an alarm system in the amount of \$500,000. The awards come out in September if approved. The Foundation would match \$125,000 for the project;
- 2) Supt. Tresch stated they are having some lead testing completed as part of a state mandate;
- 3) Administration is working on a Day School Youth Attendance incentive for the summer program. Supt Tresch stated they would be looking at a gift card to students that attend 30 out of the 37 days this summer;
- 4) Supt. Tresch said they received a classroom furniture grant in the amount of \$56,000 to help make the space better in the classrooms;

- 5) Supt. Tresch informed the board they are exploring the idea of purchasing two Lu-Interactive Smart Projectors at a cost of \$40,000. More information to follow.

Adjournment:

Chris Myers moved, seconded by Lacey Jones to adjourn. Motion passed unanimously. Adjournment was at 12:32 p.m. Next meeting is scheduled for July 20th, 2022 at 12:00 p.m.

Michael Chandler, Board Chair

Roger Heimbigner, Clerk