

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

June 9, 2016

Chair John Dailey called a regular Board of Trustees meeting to order at 12:45 p.m.

PRESENT: Chairman John Dailey and Adrienne Lathrop. Absent: Vice-Chair Chris Eide. Superintendent Mike Sullivan, Principal Keith Tresch, and Clerk Roger Heimbigner. A quorum was present.

GUESTS: none.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited by all in attendance.

**HEARING OF
INDIVIDUALS/
CORRESPONDENCE
AGENDA ADDITION**

None

None

NEW BUSINESS

Items for Action

Approve Consent Agenda

Adrienne Lathrop moved, seconded by John Dailey to approve the minutes of May 16, 2016. A motion was made by Adrienne Lathrop, seconded by John Dailey to approve the bills for payment. Both motions passed unanimously.

Proposal for Contracted Services ITBRSolutions

Supt. Sullivan recommended hiring ITBRSolutions for the business services for the 2016-17 school year. Adrienne Lathrop moved, seconded by John Dailey to approve ITBRSolutions in the amount of \$30,000 (\$,2500 each month) plus a \$3,000 yearly software/maintenance fee for the business service contract for the 2016-17 school year. Motion passed unanimously.

Approve hiring of Mental Health Staff

Supt. Sullivan recommended a 2% increase for existing Mental Health therapists and a 50 cent raise for Behavior Health Specialists. Supt. Sullivan also recommended the hiring of Amanda Sturn as a therapist in the amount of \$44,500 and Rochele Wilson and Andrew Loken as behavior health specialists at \$15.00

per hour. The board discussed the process for billing Medicaid for many of the services provided by the CSCT team in the day treatment model. A motion was made by Adrienne Lathrop, seconded by John Dailey to approve a 2% raise for Tara Sylvester, Michael Heck, and Jess Harris (July) and a 50 cent raise for Tara Kirkegard and Carrie Smith. Adrienne Lathrop moved, seconded by John Dailey to approve the hiring of Amanda Sturn as a therapist at a salary of \$44,500 and the hiring of Rochele Wilson and Andrew Loken as behavior specialists at \$15.00 per hour. Both motions passed unanimously.

Superintendent Report

Supt. Sullivan reported that YBGR and Yellowstone Academy have reached a tentative agreement for services that will include a reimbursement fee of \$71.14 (Medicaid rate) per student for residential students that are educated by the academy. The agreement will be for 5 years with an annual adjustment to the reimbursement rate. Under the contract, the Yellowstone Academy Superintendent will report to the CEO of YBGR. The VoEd program will be addressed in the agreement as well. The YBGR committee will meet next week and then recommend to the board for approval.

Trustee Report

John Dailey discussed with the Administration the scheduling of classes and the impact the new agreement may have with coverage if YBGR isn't covering all the areas they currently are covering. The board discussed the various transitions and possible needs for coverage. Supt. Sullivan stated they may need to hire additional aides in the fall.

Adjournment:

Adrienne Lathrop moved, seconded by John Dailey to adjourn. Motion passed unanimously. Adjournment was at 2:00 p.m. Next meeting to be determined.

John Dailey, Chairman

Roger Heimbigner, Clerk