

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

March 19, 2020

Board Chair Mitch Burns called a regular Board of Trustees meeting to order at 1:00 p.m.

PRESENT: Mitch Burns and Michael Chandler. Absent: Chris Eide. 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 Unforeseen Emergency Resolution

Michael Chandler moved, seconded by Mitch Burns to approve the following resolution:

The “Board of Trustees of Yellowstone Academy School District #58 declares an unforeseen emergency in accordance with Sections 20-9-801 through 20-9-806, MCA, due to the community and school health concerns related to COVID-19 and authorize the administration to take necessary steps to execute this declaration and inform the public and government agencies of this declaration. This declaration will overlap/run concurrent with, any declaration of emergency by the President, Congress, Montana Legislature, Governor or County Health Department.”

Motion passed unanimously.

Approve Consent Agenda

Michael Chandler moved, seconded by Mitch Burns to approve the minutes of February 19, 2020. A motion was made by Michael

Chandler, seconded by Mitch Burns to approve the bills for payment. Both motions passed unanimously.

Approve Resignations

A motion was made by Michael Chandler, seconded by Mitch Burns to approve the resignation of Sierra Baker and Anya Sansom as paraprofessionals. Motion passed unanimously.

Approve Tuition Agreements

A motion was made by Michael Chandler, seconded by Mitch Burns to approve tuition agreements for Day School students RC and SJ. Motion passed unanimously.

Approve Resolution Requesting County to Conduct Trustee Election

Michael Chandler moved, seconded by Mitch Burns to approve the resolution to call for the trustee election and to have the county conduct the election. Motion passed unanimously. Mitch Burn's trustee position is expiring.

Approve Next Board Meeting Time and Date

Michael Chandler moved, seconded by Mitch Burns to approve the next board meeting to be Wednesday, April 29th, 2020 at 12:00 p.m. Motion passed unanimously.

First Reading Staff Handbook and Yellowstone Academy Disaster Response

Supt Tresch presented to the board the Staff Handbook and the Yellowstone Academy Disaster Response booklet for first reading. The second reading will be presented at the next board meeting for approval.

Superintendent Report

Supt. Keith Tresch reported on the following:

- 1) Supt. Tresch stated he sent out letters to Administrators explaining how therapeutic services, delivery of education, and how training opportunities were going to be delivered during the pandemic;
- 2) Supt Tresch stated they have a good start on the Cognia standards;

- 3) The Academy has a policy on Distance Learning in place to work from;
- 4) The Para Negotiating teams continue to meet. They have agreed to language, 25 cents on the base plus step, and language on sick leave use that gives incentive to employees not using sick leave.

Trustee Report

None

Adjournment:

Michael Chandler moved, seconded by Mitch Burns to adjourn. Motion passed unanimously. Adjournment was at 1:33 p.m. Next meeting is scheduled for April 29th, 2020 at noon.

Mitch Burns, Chairman

Roger Heimbigner, Clerk