

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

March 24, 2021

Board Chair Mitch Burns called a regular Board of Trustees meeting to order at 12:06 p.m. on March 24<sup>th</sup>, 2021. The meeting was in the conference room and via Zoom.

PRESENT: Mitch Burns, Michael Chandler and Chris Myers (zoom). Absent: none.  
Superintendent Keith Tresch, Principal Cass Cole, Dwight VonSchriltz and Clerk 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 February 17<sup>th</sup>, 2021**

Michael Chandler moved, seconded by Chris Myers to approve the minutes of February 17<sup>th</sup>, 2021. Motion passed unanimously.

**Approve Bills for January/February**

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

**Approve Hiring**

Michael Chandler moved, seconded by Chris Myers to approve the hiring of Jacob Anderson as a paraprofessional. Motion passed unanimously.

### **Approve Resignations**

None

### **Approve DS Tuition Agreements**

Michael Chandler moved, seconded by Chris Myers to approve day school tuition agreements to AB – 7<sup>th</sup> grade, LO – Kindergarten, JNA – 5<sup>th</sup> grade; and MF – 5<sup>th</sup> grade. Motion passed unanimously.

### **Approve 2021-2022 School Calendar**

Supt. Tresch presented the 2021-2022 school calendar that has been reviewed and recommended by the calendar committee. Each school year consists of 180 pupil-related days, 7 inservice days and 38-40 summer days. The summer calendar is for summer of 2022. A motion was made by Michael Chandler, seconded by Chris Myers to approve the calendar as presented. Motion passed unanimously.

### **Superintendent Evaluation Form**

Supt. Tresch presented to the Board a superintendent evaluation form. It was modeled after the form that Laurel Schools uses. It includes an evaluation topic and a rating form. Supt. Tresch stated this hasn't been done at the academy for a long time and should be. A motion was made by Chris Myers, seconded by Michael Chandler to approve the Superintendent Evaluation Form. Motion passed unanimously.

### **Approve Policies of YBGR According to YA Policy 1310**

Supt. Tresch stated one of the goals of the Academy is to adopt the YBGR policies that fall under current Academy policies. Supt. Tresch presented the following policies for first reading:

Policy 408 Staff Training and Orientation  
Policy 458 Scholarship Fund  
Policy 460 YBGR Staff Appearance Code  
Policy 464 Tobacco Drug Free Environment  
Policy 478 Code of Conduct  
Policy 602 Therapeutic Relationships & Personal Boundaries  
Policy 616 Objectionable Materials  
Policy 626 Special Treatment Procedures  
Policy 631 Major Incidents

## Policy 636 Mandated Reporting

These YBGR policies would fall under the Yellowstone Academy Policy of 1310. A motion was made by Chris Myers, seconded by Michael Chandler to approve the YBGR policies as presented for first reading. Motion passed unanimously.

## Approve Next Board Meeting Time and Date

Michael Chandler moved, seconded by Chris Myers to approve the next board meeting to be Wednesday, April 21<sup>st</sup>, 2021 at 12:00 p.m. Motion passed unanimously.

## Superintendent Report

Supt. Keith Tresch reported on the following:

- 1) The Cognia report had great results – it is a reflection of the great staff at YA. There are a few corrections to make on the report but it looks good;
- 2) Supt. Tresch and Clerk Roger Heimbigner reviewed the Covid Grants. The Academy has spent the Governor's Grant which had an expiration date of December 31<sup>st</sup>. The ESSER 1 grant of \$181,000 has also been expended. We are waiting on the legislature to approve the use of ESSER II and ESSER III dollars;
- 3) Supt. Tresch stated the Academy will be looking for two additional teaching positions – a VoAg teacher and a Special Education teacher. Clerk Roger Heimbigner stated that they could use some of the ESSER Covid related dollars to pay for these two positions.
- 4) Supt. Tresch informed the board that the Breakfast Flakes will be donating a metal detector to the Academy;

## Trustee Report

None

## Adjournment:

Chris Myers moved, seconded by Michael Chandler to adjourn. Motion passed unanimously. Adjournment was at 12:40 p.m. Next meeting is scheduled for April 21<sup>st</sup>, 2021 at noon.

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Mitch Burns, Chairman

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Roger Heimbigner, Clerk