

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

May 21, 2021

Board Chair Mitch Burns called a regular Board of Trustees meeting to order at 12:00 p.m. on May 21st, 2021. The meeting was in the conference room.

PRESENT: Mitch Burns and Michael Chandler. Absent: Chris Myers. Superintendent Keith Tresch, Principal Cass Cole, Dwight VonSchultz and Clerk Roger Heimbigner were present.

GUESTS: none

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited by all in attendance.

**HEARING OF
INDIVIDUALS/
CORRESPONDENCE**

Michael Chandler informed the board that certified negotiations are about done.

APPROVE ADDITION

None

NEW BUSINESS

Items for Action

Election of Trustees by Acclimation – Reorganization of the Board/Oath of Office

Michael Chandler moved, seconded by Mitch Burns to nominate Mitch Burns as Board Chairman. There were no other nominations. A vote was taken and pass unanimously.

Mitch Burns moved, seconded by Michael Chandler to nominate Michael Chandler as Vice-Chair. There were no other nominations. A vote was taken and passed unanimously.

Michael Chandler moved, seconded by Mitch Burns to appoint Roger Heimbigner as Clerk of the Board. Motion passed unanimously. Roger stated that the board pays him as an employee \$600 per year to be the Clerk of the Board. The function as a flow through accounting service is ITBR Solutions and that contract will be up for renewal next month.

Approve Minutes for April 21st, 2021

Chris Myers moved, seconded by Michael Chandler to approve the minutes of April 21st, 2021. Motion passed unanimously.

Approve Bills for April/May

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

Approve Hiring

Michael Chandler moved, seconded by Mitch Burns to approve the hiring of teachers Richard Feeley and Lisa Thacker for school year 2021-22 and the renewal of Jennica Hammond as she was left off the list last month. Motion passed unanimously.

A motion was made by Michael Chandler to approve long-term sub Kerri Ranta. Michael Chandler moved, seconded by Mitch Burns to rehire Supt Keith Tresch to a new 3 year contract. Both motions passed unanimously.

Approve Resignations

A motion was made by Michael Chandler, seconded by Mitch Burns to approve the resignations of Raelynn Melber as a teacher. Motion passed unanimously.

Approve DS Tuition Agreements

Michael Chandler moved, seconded by Mitch Burns to approve day school tuition agreements to KS – 7th grade, ES – 6th, TW – 3rd grade; WP – 6th grade; and DM – 10th grade. Motion passed unanimously.

Approve Cognia Membership

A motion was made by Michael Chandler, seconded by Mitch Burns to approve the annual membership fee to Cognia in the amount of \$1,200.00. Motion passed unanimously.

Approve Next Board Meeting Time and Date

Michael Chandler moved, seconded by Mitch Burns to approve the next board meeting to be Wednesday, June 23rd, 2021 at 12:00 p.m. Motion passed unanimously.

Superintendent Report

Supt. Keith Tresch reported on the following:

- 1) Supt. Tresch stated he is working on summer school hours. Lunch time will be from 11:30 – 12:15 p.m. ;
- 2) Supt. Tresch informed the board that they will be hiring a recent graduate to work in the pheasant area. He will be working a couple of days a week for \$10-\$12 per hour;
- 3) Supt. Tresch stated they are looking for additional space and a possible rental of a portable classroom. The intent is for safety concerns and to keep smaller classrooms;
- 4) They are looking at creating 3 spaces with Cass Cole's office as well;
- 5) Certified negotiations just about complete – offered 3.5% each year for 2 years and \$600 to go toward health insurance;
- 6) They have one more graduation to go today.

Trustee Report

None

Adjournment:

Michael Chandler moved, seconded by Mitch Burns to adjourn. Motion passed unanimously. Adjournment was at 12:32 p.m. Next meeting is scheduled for June 23rd, 2021 at noon.

Mitch Burns, Chairman

Roger Heimbigner, Clerk