

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

October 24, 2016

Chair John Dailey called a regular Board of Trustees meeting to order at 3:45 p.m..

PRESENT: Chairman John Dailey, Chris Eide and Adrienne Lathrop. Absent: none.
Superintendent Mike Sullivan, Principal Keith Tresch, and Clerk Roger Heimbigner. A quorum was present.

GUESTS: Tom Barrett, Traci Preston, and Mike Chavers.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited by all in attendance.

**HEARING OF
INDIVIDUALS/
CORRESPONDENCE**

Traci Preston asked is there was insurance caps on meds in the current insurance plan. No one was aware of the language pertaining to this benefit but gave guidance on who to contact. Traci also asked what the board was going to do with the money that was budgeted for the 4 additional paras that haven't been hired yet. Supt. Sullivan replied that the administration has been looking at adding some paras to the staffing.

APPROVE ADDITION

None

NEW BUSINESS

Items for Action

Approve Consent Agenda

Adrienne Lathrop moved, seconded by John Dailgy to approve the minutes of September 9, 2016. Motion passed unanimously. A motion was made by Adrienne Lathrop, seconded by Chris Eide to approve the bills for payment. Motion passed unanimously.

Establish Day School Tuition Rate

Clerk Roger Heimbigner presented to the board for approval the tuition rates for the 2016-17 school year. OPI has a formula that determines the public school rate for K-8 schools. This is based on the average cost per student minus the amount of dollars that the State contributes to those students. The rate approved for this year is \$105.62 per day. The high school rate being proposed is \$110 per day which has been the same the last few years.

Adrienne Lathrop moved, seconded by Chris Eide to approve the the elementary rate for day school students at \$105.62 per day and a high school rate of \$110 per day. The board discussed the current enrollment numbers for the day school program. Principal Keith Tresch stated the numbers are currently around 50 students which is a good number to work with. A vote was taken and the motion passed unanimously.

Superintendent Report

Supt. Sullivan informed the board of the following:

- 1) Currently the academy could serve 53 students with mental health services. We currently serve only 30 students as we are maxed out. There are 11 students that are billable that we are not billing for because of staffing limits. There was discussion on hiring more staffing in order to bill for these additional students. The board also discussed the cost of additional staffing verses the reimbursement rate and if the billing would equate to the additional cost. John Dailey asked if we could contract out and eliminate summer costs which would make this more efficient;
- 2) Supt. Sullivan reported that they are having some coverage issues and may have to add more paras;
- 3) Supt. Sullivan and Principal Tresch discussed coaching coverage in relation to the buzzer system and how that is working. There are measures in place for other staff to help in these situations.

Trustee Report

None.

Adjournment:

Adrienne Lathrop moved, seconded by John Dailey to adjourn. Motion passed unanimously. Adjournment was at 4:17 p.m. Next meeting is November 21, 2016 at 3:45 p.m..

John Dailey, Chairman

Roger Heimbigner, Clerk