

THE REGULAR MEETING of the BOARD OF TRUSTEES of Bigfork Elementary School and Bigfork High School, District No 38, Flathead and Lake Counties, was called to order by Chairperson Sandry on February 7, 2018, at 5:01 pm in the high school library.

Trustees present: Paul Sandry, Patricia Landon, Paul Sullivan Jr., Dana Whitney, Jessica Martinz, Zack Anderson and Christina Relyea

Also in attendance were Superintendent Matt Jensen, Business Manager Lacey Porrovecchio, Principal Brenda Clarke, Activities Coordinator David Creamer, staff members and community members.

Pledge of Allegiance.

Comments on non-agenda items: Trustee Whitney made an announcement concerning the science fair on February 15th and the need for science fair judges.

A motion to approve the agenda with the addendum was made by Trustee Landon, seconded by Trustee Relyea, and **approved** by unanimous vote of the elementary school and high school trustees.

A motion to approve the consent agenda was made by Trustee Landon, seconded by Trustee Whitney, and **approved** by unanimous vote of the elementary and high school trustees.

- Approval of Regular Board Meeting Minutes for January 10, 2017
- Approval of All Bill Approval Lists
- Approval of Student Activity Report for December, 2017
- Approval of Booster Club Donation - \$5,000 for Scrorer's Table & Gym Chairs in the High School
- Approval of Booster Club Donation - \$17,200 from 2017 Golf Classic Event to Unfunded Sports
- Approval of Bus Route 19 to Evergreen
- Approval of Personnel – *Any offer of employment is contingent upon receipt of satisfactory criminal history background check*
 1. Classified Personnel Resignation
 - a. Sue Loeffler, June 2018
 2. Substitute Personnel Recommended for Hire
 - a. Abigail Woods, Food Service Department
 - b. Krystal Dusenberry, K-12 & Transportation Substitute
 3. Extra-Curricular Personnel Recommended for 2017-18
 - a. Leslie Stodghill, Winter Special Olympics Coach
 - b. Leslie Stodghill, Summer Special Olympics Coach
 - c. Hannah Gorby, Prom Advisor
 - d. Michelle Kaney, Science Fair Advisor
 - e. Brett Damaskos, Head Golf Coach
 - f. Schuyler Tudor, Assistant Golf Coach
 - g. Mike Bonner, Head Tennis Coach
 - h. Sue Loeffler, Head Track Coach
 - i. Clayton Woll, Assistant Track Coach
 - j. Jim Epperly, Assistant Track Coach
 - k. Dave Creamer, Assistant Track Coach
 4. Extra-Curricular Volunteers Recommended for 2017-18
 - a. Paul Sullivan, Jr., Tennis
 - b. Wayne Loeffler, Track
 - c. Jessica Johnson, Track

Trustee Sandry told the trustees 2 spring coaches are not on this agenda. They will be on the March agenda. One is Paul Wallin, assistant tennis coach, and Beau Wielkoszewski, volunteer track coach.

The trustees also recognized Sue Loeffler's service to the district. She has been here 44 years. Something will be planned before the end of the year to celebrate her retirement.

REPORTS & PRESENTATIONS

Internship Experience Report – Mark Hansen & Tabatha Venezia talked to the trustees about their Masters program and interning with K-8 Principal Brenda Clarke and High School Principal Alan Robbins. They shared the Mentorship manual they created. They participated in interviews, looked at school wide fieldtrips, did walk-throughs

and observations and created a K-8 vision statement.

7th-12th Grade Social Studies HPT Team- Stormy Taylor, Bronson Erickson and Cynthia Wilondek talked to the trustees about their team goals, which include working on common language, common rubrics and ACT Aspire support. Each of the teachers has introduced DBQs- Document Based Questions, in their classrooms. DBQs are used on the ACT and in college.

Mr. Jensen noted Mrs. Wilondek was selected as the Gold Star recipient.

District Technology Update – Beau Wielkoszewski reported on changes he has made to district technology, including network security, and the age of district hardware. Eighty percent of staff computers and 75% of student computers are older than 2011. Elementary stationary classroom computers are no longer supported by Apple updates. In his assessment, \$1 million required each decade to maintain and update critical technology for education. Board discussion followed.

NEW BUSINESS

- A. Bigfork Elementary Levy & Trustee Election Resolution – Trustee Sandry told the board the Finance Committee's recommendation is to run tech levies. Options are no levy, at the cost of cuts, maybe personnel cuts, a tech levy, or a maintenance and operations levy. The tech levy is a voted levy. Ballots would be mailed in April, results May 8. Mr. Jensen told the board the district currently spends about \$250,000 per year on hardware and software. A tech levy in the elementary for \$150,000 would cost a tax payer with a \$200K taxable value approximately \$14.13 per year. A tech levy in the high school for \$100,000 would cost approximately \$7.43 per \$200K taxable value. A tech levy has a 10 year duration and if passed, the funds would need to be budgeted wisely. Trustee Anderson had concerns about the 10 year duration, the need for maintenance and operation levies and teacher salary increases. Board discussion followed.

A motion to approve the Bigfork Elementary Levy & Trustee Election Resolution was made by Trustee Sullivan, seconded by Trustee Whitney. The motion passed with affirmative votes from Trustees Relyea, Sandry, Sullivan and Whitney. Trustee Anderson opposed.

- B. Bigfork High School Levy & Trustee Election Resolution – Lacey Porrovecchio

A motion to approve the Bigfork High School Levy & Trustee Election Resolution was made by Trustee Sullivan, seconded by Trustee Landon. The motion passed with affirmative votes from Trustees Martinz, Relyea, Whitney, Sandry, Sullivan and Landon. Trustee Anderson opposed.

- C. 2017-18 High School General Fund Budget Adjustment – Lacey Porrovecchio told the trustees we applied for Anticipated Enrollment Increase for the FY18 high school budget because we knew the enrollment was going to significantly increase. This resulted in \$40,641.83 more in the high school budget. After the October count, the ANB came in 1 ANB lower than anticipated. We will receive \$3,285.29 less from the state this year.
- D. FY17 Audit Report – Trustee Sandry briefed the board members on the FY17 audit. The overall audit was good. Jon Mahrt, the auditor from Denning, Downey & Associates was complimentary of our reserves and debt to liabilities. There are 2 findings, high school student activity receipting and controls in the auto shop. Both areas of concern are being addressed by the district.

Break: 6:51

Resume: 6:56

- E. Appeal of Superintendents Decision Relative to Student Extra-Curricular Academic Eligibility – Executive session called pursuant to MCA 2-3-203(3). The Board Chairman determined “the demand of individual privacy clearly exceeds the merit of public disclosure.”

Executive Session: 6:56

At 7:06 a motion to extend the meeting for 45 minutes was made by Trustee Martinz, seconded by Trustee Whitney and approved by unanimous vote of the elementary and high school trustees.

Open Session: 7:51

A motion to deny the appeal of Superintendents decision relative to student extra-curricular academic eligibility was made by Trustee Sullivan, seconded by Trustee Relyea. The motion passed with affirmative votes from Trustees Landon, Martinz, Sandry, Anderson, Sullivan and Relyea. Trustee Whitney opposed.

SUPERINTENDENT EVALUATION

Closed session began at: 7:58

Closed session ended at: 8:23

FUTURE MEETING SCHEULE

All School Board meetings are held at 5 pm in the high school library, unless otherwise noted.

- o March 14, 2018
- o April 11, 2018
- o May 9, 2018
- o June 13, 2018

A motion to adjourn was made by Trustee Whitney, seconded by Trustee Relyea, and **approved** by unanimous vote of the elementary and high school trustees.

Adjourned: 8:23 pm

District Clerk

Chairperson