

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 August 5, 2020, at 5:04 pm in the high school library.

Trustees in attendance: Sandry, Anderson, Relyea, Martinz, Parish, Elwell & Kreiman

Also in attendance were Superintendent Matt Jensen, Business Manager Lacey Porrovecchio, Principals Mark Hansen, staff members and community members.

Pledge of Allegiance

There were no comments on non-agenda items.

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

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

- Consideration of Personnel – *Any offer of employment is contingent upon receipt of satisfactory criminal history background check and for some positions receipt of satisfactory pre-employment screening.*
 1. Extra-Curricular Personnel Resignation for Consideration
 - a. Patrick Munson, High School Football Head Coach
 2. Extra-Curricular Personnel Recommended for Consideration
 - a. Jim Benn, High School Football Head Coach

OLD BUSINESS

A. Levy & Budgeted Funds History

Board Chair Sandry explained negotiations with the BAEA are at an impasse and asked fellow board members to discuss the use of levy funds.

Mr. Jensen talked through slides with meeting minutes and documents from December to June where the board had discussed general fund levy spending. The slides included a preliminary levy consideration document with additional hires, and a pared down levy consideration document with levy funds going to supply lines, curriculum, the SRO, additional coach stipends and salaries and benefits for staff. Other slides showed certified and administrative salaries in comparison to districts in the state and in comparison to valley schools. He also discussed the two letters to the community in regard to the general fund levies.

Board Chair Sandry asked trustees to discuss if the Negotiations Committee offer to the BAEA was fair and if so, authorize the Negotiations Committee to deal with the BUC and administrative employees with an offer generally commensurate with the last offer made to the BAEA.

Board discussion followed, including making additional cuts from levy funds set aside for supplies, curriculum, the SRO and coach stipends.

Board Chair Sandry recapped the discussion. All except Trustee Kreiman agreed the last offer to the BAEA was fair, the Negotiations Committee will meet with the BUC and work with the administrative employees, and the Finance Committee will meet in advance of the August 19 board meeting and make a recommendation regarding levy funds.

Community member Marie Duncan-Wagers asked the board about a teacher strike if negotiations not complete by the start of school and if Covid-19 has been addressed with teaching staff.

Board Chair Sandry told her Covid has been addressed at prior meetings and the Negotiations Committee has met with the BAEA twice.

FUTURE MEETING SCHEULE

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

- Wednesday, August 19, 2020
- Wednesday, September 9, 2020

REGULAR BOARD MEETING

AUGUST 5, 2020

- Wednesday, October 14, 2020
- Wednesday, November 11, 2020
- Wednesday, December 9, 2020
- Wednesday, January 13, 2021
- Wednesday, February 10, 2021
- Wednesday, March 10, 2021
- Wednesday, April 14, 2021

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

Adjourned: 6:18 pm

District Clerk

Chairperson