

**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 December 22, 2021, at 5:03 pm in the high school library.

Trustees in attendance: Zack Anderson, Dan Elwell, Aaron Parish, Paul Sandry, Jessica Martinz, Julie Kreiman and Ben Woods via phone, late arrival.

Also in attendance were Superintendent Tom Stack, Mark Hansen, Charlie Appleby, Brenda Clarke, and Rhonda White.

Pledge of Allegiance

There were no comments on non-agenda items.

A motion to approve the agenda was made by Trustee Dan Elwell, seconded by Trustee Jessica Martinz, and approved by unanimous vote of the elementary and high school trustees.

**NEW BUSINESS**

A. Protocol for Threats to School Safety

Mr. Stack shared the written bomb threat from Friday, Dec. 17, 2021. He commended the staff for how the evacuation was handled. He shared the protocols for evacuation procedures for the future and our Emergency Operation Plan (EOP). He shared where we are with the investigation into who made the threat and possible outcomes for consequences.

Mr. Stack said that for the safety of students and all on campus, we do need to evacuate when there is a threat. He said we will have a bomb dog along with law enforcement to sweep the campus.

Mr. Sandry spoke to the Board about how we should move forward about school closures and evacuation.

Trustee Woods arrived.

Mr. Elwell's recommendation is to weigh each threat individually.

Mr. Woods said law enforcement would leave the decision to close school to administration.

Mr. Parish did not have a recommendation.

Mrs. Kreiman mentioned updating the operation plan.

Mrs. Martinz agreed with Mr. Anderson.

Mr. Anderson recommended going forward we make up a full day for the closures we do have. He stated his confidence in the decision making by the administration.

Mr. Sandry does not feel it was a credible threat. He does not recommend evacuating each time there is a threat. He gave different options for future approaches.

Mr. Hansen agreed that it was not a credible threat. He described the actions the high school is currently taking.

No motion was made. Mr. Stack understood the Board wants the administration to use discretion case by case before evacuating the campus.

**FUTURE MEETING SCHEULE**

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

- o Wednesday, January 12, 2022
- o Wednesday, February 9, 2022
- o Wednesday, March 9, 2022
- o Wednesday, April 13, 2022
- o Wednesday, May 11, 2022
- o Wednesday, June 8, 2022

A motion to adjourn was made by Trustee Zack Anderson, seconded by Trustee Ben Woods, and **approved** by unanimous vote of the elementary and high school trustees.

Adjourned: 6:01pm

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Principal Brenda Clarke

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Chairperson