

REGULAR BOARD MEETING

May 11, 2022

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 May 11, 2022, at 5:01 pm in the high school library.

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

Trustees Absent: Woods & Parish

Also in attendance were Superintendent Tom Stack, Business Manager Lacey Porrovecchio, Principals Mark Hansen, Charlie Appleby and Brenda Clarke, Activity Director Matt Porrovecchio, staff members and community members.

Pledge of Allegiance

Comments on non-agenda items:

Connie Ciabatonni asked for more information regarding kindergarten for 4 year olds. Mrs. Clarke explained the early kindergarten program and the selection process. The class has 13 students. Connie also asked about the camera system and buzzer system she saw mentioned in the minutes. She brought up concerns about facial recognition, digital IDs and social control scores. She asked the board to look up Chinese facial recognition on Youtube. Board Chair Sandry told her a decision has not been made by the board yet, but it may be on a future agenda for the board to vote on.

Carol Gopp asked about the cost of a camera system. Board Chair Sandry told her pricing will be part of the consideration.

Connie Ciabatonni asked where the cameras would be located. Board Chair Sandry told her location of the cameras would be part of the consideration as well.

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

CANVASS THE VOTES

A. Results of the May 3, 2022 Bigfork Elementary Trustee Election – Mrs. Porrovecchio

Zack Anderson	923 Votes
Roger C. Ball	418 Votes
Aaron Parish	612 Votes
Christina Relyea	721 Votes
Rejected Ballots	10

Successful candidates were Zack Anderson and Christina Relyea.

Election judges were Stephanie Tinney from Lake County and Shannon Varner and Ginny Kirby. Flathead County didn't provide a list of judges and the Lake County list was short. We received permission from OPI to train Shannon and Ginny. Stephanie Tinney was the chief judge.

Trustees examined election documents showing 5,195 registered voters, 1,377 votes cast, and 26% voter turnout.

A motion to accept the results of the May 3, 2022 Bigfork Elementary Trustee Election was made by Trustee Kreiman, seconded by Trustee Anderson, and approved by unanimous vote of the elementary trustees present.

Adjourned 5:08.

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 May 11, 2022, at 5:11 pm in the high school library.

Trustees present: Elwell, Anderson, Sandry, Martinz, Kreiman, Relyea

Trustees absent: Woods

Also in attendance were Superintendent Tom Stack, Business Manager Lacey Porrovecchio, Principals Mark Hansen, Charlie Appleby and Brenda Clarke, Activities Director Matt Porrovecchio, staff members and members of the community.

BOARD REORGANIZATION

A motion to appoint Trustee Sandry as board chair was made by Trustee Martinz. There were no other nominations. The motion was approved by unanimous vote of the elementary and high school trustees. A motion to appoint Trustee Relyea as vice chair was made by Trustee Anderson. There were no other nominations. The motion was approved by unanimous vote of the elementary and high school trustees. A motion to appoint Lacey Porrovecchio as Board District Clerk for fiscal year 2022-23 was made by Trustee Kreiman. There were no other nominations. The motion was approved by unanimous vote of the elementary and high school trustees.

Trustee committee assignments will be discussed at the Board Workshop on June 1.

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

- Approval of Regular Board Meeting Minutes for April 13 & April 25, 2022
- Approval of All Bill Approval Lists
- Approval of Student Activity Reports for March, 2022
- Approval of Montana High School Association 2022-23 Membership
- Approval of Wrestling Program Donation from Frank Kolendich - \$1000
- Approval 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. Classified Personnel Resignation Recommended for Consideration
 - a. Amanda Duncan, Food Service
 2. Certified Personnel Recommended for Consideration
 - a. Erik Heuchert, 5-12 Music
 - b. Tannar Cummings, High School Science
 - c. Joe Pitts, 5th Grade
 3. Classified Personnel Recommended for Consideration
 - a. Erica Person, Transportation Route Driver
 4. Classified Substitutes Recommended for Consideration
 - a. Lori Smith, Food Service
 5. Extra-Curricular Personnel Recommended for Consideration
 - a. Shawn Hall, Varsity Wrestling Coach
 - b. Charlie Ball, Varsity Swim Coach
 - c. John Hollow, Varsity Boys Basketball Coach
 - d. Cortnee Gunlock, Varsity Girls Basketball Coach
 - e. Heather Epperly, Winter Co-Head Cheer Coach (split stipends)
 - f. Emily Feller, Winter Co-Head Cheer Coach (split stipends)

NEW BUSINESS

- A. Transportation Route Bus Purchase – Mr. Stack told trustees the district received 3 bids for buses. The Transportation Committee members received the bid information as well. The district would like to proceed with the 2023 International bus. He told trustees the funds are in the Bus Depreciation Funds and the purchase will replace the 2007 Bluebird with 109,000 miles on it.

A motion to approve the route bus purchase as proposed was made by Trustee Anderson, seconded by Trustee Martinz, and approved by unanimous vote of the elementary and high school trustees.

- B. Bigfork Elementary and High School Multidistrict Agreement July 1, 2022 – June 30, 2025 – Mrs. Porrovecchio explained the multidistrict agreement is a renewal of the agreement already in place between the Elementary District and the High School District. The agreement allows the district to move funds with board approval to the Interlocal Agreement Fund for major projects, land purchases, etc.

A motion to approve the Bigfork Elementary and High School Multidistrict Agreement through June 30, 2025 was made by Trustee Kreiman, seconded by Trustee Martinz, and approved by unanimous vote of the elementary and high school trustees.

high school trustees.

- C. Montana Medical Billing Contract 2022-23 – Mrs. Porrovecchio told trustees there were no changes to the renewal with Montana Medical Billing. The school can be reimbursed for OT, PT and speech services for children who qualify for Medicaid and have an IEP. Therapists submit billing forms each month. Last year the district received \$19,000 in reimbursements.

A motion to approve the Montana Medical Billing Contract 2022-23 was made by Trustee Martinz, seconded by Trustee Elwell, and approved by unanimous vote of the elementary and high school trustees.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

There were no committee reports.

PRINCIPAL REPORTS

Mrs. Clarke talked to trustees about kindergarten roundup, Teacher Appreciation, planning and professional development for the new math curriculum, reading assessments and spring field trips.

Paula Pitkin asked Mrs. Clarke if she could have more information on the math curriculum.

Connie Ciabatonni asked who pays for field trips. Mrs. Clarke told her it depends on the field trip.

Mr. Hansen thanked the trustees for recent new hires. He talked about Ms. Ball’s journalism students, changes to the end of year awards ceremony and graduation coming up on June 4th. Trustee Relyea offered to hand out diplomas at graduation.

Mr. Appleby spoke about the craziness of spring in the middle school, spring activity day, middle school track, leadership class, June 7th eighth grade promotion at the high school, SBAC testing and the Close Up trip to DC.

SUPERINTENDENT REPORT

Mr. Stack told trustees there is a new link on the webpage where community members can sign up to receive notification of board meetings and committee meetings. They will not receive notice of student discipline hearings. The new bus will have 3 point seatbelts and windows that open. Route buses do not typically have air conditioning. Students are required to wear seatbelts on the bus. He talked about end of year budgets and projects. In preparation for the work session, he has been working with IT, the SRO, the maintenance department and principals looking at camera systems. Vape detectors will also be discussed at the work session.

Carrie Wyatt asked that the district contact the security company she provided information for. She thinks they will be good for pricing and have vested interest in the community. Mr. Stack said he forwarded it to IT.

Trustees discussed the future meeting schedule. The June 8 meeting was canceled. Business will be conducted on June 1 prior to the board workshop.

FUTURE MEETING SCHEDULE

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

- o Wednesday, June 1, 2022 4:00 pm
- o Wednesday, June 29, 2022
- o Wednesday, July 13, 2022
- o Wednesday, August 17, 2022

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

Adjourned: 5:39 pm

District Clerk

Chairperson