

**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 14, 2022, at 5:00 pm in the high school library.

Trustees in attendance: Anderson, Field, Woods, Kreiman and Sandry

Trustees absent: Relyea and Elwell

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

Pledge of Allegiance

Comments on non-agenda items:

Nathan Mayer, President of Bigfork Youth Baseball, requested the board consider adding baseball as a high school sport starting in the 2023-24 school year. He identified and addressed five hurdles to adding baseball: participation, fields, coaches, Title IX and funding. He told trustees more than 160 kids participate in youth baseball and the numbers are similar to youth soccer. The owner of the baseball field at Bear Creek is willing to work with the school. He said school staff has expressed interest in coaching as well as community members. He said Bigfork Youth Baseball would do the fundraising and Title IX is out of his jurisdiction.

Board Chair Sandry asked Mr. Mayer to work with Mr. Porrovecchio to put a proposal together for the board.

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

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

- Consideration of Board Meeting Minutes for November 15, 2022
- Consideration of All Bill Approval Lists
- Consideration of District Donations
  1. Reloved LLC Donation to High School Wrestling Program - \$2600
- Consideration of Out of District Students
- Consideration of November 4<sup>th</sup>, 2022 School Closure and Declaration of Emergency
- 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. Substitute Personnel Recommended for Consideration
    - a. Lisa Birt-Landro, K-8 Substitute
    - b. KayLynn Waddell, K-12 Substitute
  2. Extra-Curricular Personnel Recommended for Consideration
    - a. Leslie Stodghill, Winter & Summer Special Olympics Coach
    - b. Kim Coleman, 7<sup>th</sup> Grade Girls Basketball Coach
    - c. Jazper Torres, 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Girls Basketball Coach
  3. Extra-Curricular Volunteers Recommended for Consideration
    - a. Janell Plummer, 5<sup>th</sup> Grade Girls Basketball Coach
    - b. Lon Savik, 6<sup>th</sup> Grade Girls Basketball Coach
    - c. Brett Pargman, 5<sup>th</sup> & 6<sup>th</sup> Grade Girls Basketball Assistant
    - d. Angie Hanse, 7<sup>th</sup> Grade Girls Basketball Assistant
    - e. Amy Campbell, 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Girls Bsketball Assistant

## OLD BUSINESS

- A. Board Policy & Forms – Second Reading for Adoption

1. 2335 Health Enhancement
2. 2335F1 Human Sexuality Instruction Annual Notice
3. 2335F2 Human Sexuality 48 Hour Notice

Mr. Stack told trustees an annual notice will go to parents listing courses that may include Human Sexuality Instruction. A second notice will go to parents 48 hours in advance of instruction. He told trustees the change will be a big lift for staff and things may be missed. He said staff will do the best they can.

A motion to approve Board Policy 2335 and Forms was made by Trustee Kreiman, seconded by Trustee Woods, and approved with unanimous votes of the elementary and high school trustees.

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

- A. Out of State Field Trip Request – Mr. Bodenhamer gave details on the April field trip to a cave near the Montana Wyoming border. He estimates 10 students and 2 chaperons will go and the Cave Club will be reimbursed by the Forest Service. Discussion followed.

A motion to approve the Cave Club out of state field trip was made by Trustee Woods, seconded by Trustee Anderson, and approved with unanimous votes of the elementary and high school trustees.

- B. High School Open Campus – High school students Jacob Thompson, Andrew Wallen and Collin Smith talked to the board about implementing open campus for juniors and seniors with good grades and no behavior issues. Discussion followed.

The discussion was tabled to give Mr. Hansen more time to look at staffing issues related to open campus.

- C. 2022-23 Calendar Change – Mr. Stack explained the E3 app the district purchased to alert staff of district emergencies. He proposed making January 16 an early out, with release at 1:00, for staff training on the app. Mr. Appleby echoed the importance of district wide training with the E3 trainers.

A motion to approve January 16 release at 1:00 was made by Trustee Anderson, seconded by Trustee Kreiman, and approved with unanimous votes of the elementary and high school trustees.

- D. Copy Machine Lease – Mr. Stack told the board the copy machine lease with Ricoh expires at the end of June. He said the district has not been happy with the service. He recommended leasing Toshiba's with Kelley Connect for 4 years. The cost per copy is less and the district would save approximately \$40,000 over 4 years and have better access to techs for repairs. He said the change was vetted by himself, Lacey Porrovecchio and Jeremy Taylor.

A motion to approve the copy machine lease with Kelley Connect was made by Trustee Woods, seconded by Trustee Field, and approved with unanimous votes of the elementary and high school trustees.

- E. Roof Hail Damage – Mr. Stack informed trustees the district received payment for the hail damage to the roof. He would like to move forward with a request for bids for repairs. Once the board approves the bid, the contractor will work with the insurance adjustor.

A motion to approve seeking bids for the roof hail damage was made by Trustee Anderson, seconded by Trustee Kreiman, and approved with unanimous votes of the elementary and high school trustees.

- F. Bigfork Elementary Election Resolution – Mrs. Porrovecchio told trustees two elementary positions are up for election on May 2, 2023: Trustee Sandry and Trustee Kreiman's positions. People interested in filing to run have until March 23 to submit paperwork. The resolution includes language that the district may run a general fund levy. The trustees will need to make

that decision by March 31. The election will be by mail ballot and can be cancelled if an election is not needed.

A motion to approve the Elementary Election Resolution made by Trustee Anderson, seconded by Trustee Kreiman, and approved with unanimous votes of the elementary trustees.

- G. Bigfork High School Election Resolution – Mrs. Porrovecchio explained the high school resolution mirrored the elementary resolution except the Swan Lake/Salmon Prairie position is up for election. The position is currently held by Trustee Field.

A motion to approve the High School Election Resolution was made by Trustee Anderson, seconded by Trustee Field, and approved with unanimous votes of the elementary and high school trustees.

- H. ARP Plan & Safely Reopening Schools Plan Review – Mr. Stack reminded trustees the ESSER plans need to be reviewed and updated every 6 months. The public is invited to provide input as well.

A motion to approve the ARP Plan & Safely Reopening Schools Plan Review was made by Trustee Anderson, seconded by Trustee Field, and approved with unanimous votes of the elementary and high school trustees.

**COMMITTEE REPORTS**

Board Chair Sandry said the Finance Committee will meet in January.

**PRINCIPALS' REPORTS**

Mr. Hansen talked about the choir concert, the upcoming band concert, the ASVAB test and the RTI team.

Mrs. Clarke reported students are excited about Christmas break. She shared assessment scores with the Bigfork Eagle. Teachers will be working with the reading and math consultants.

Mr. Appleby spoke about the band and choir concerts, middle school basketball, MAST testing, trimester schedule changes, CPI training and student and staff sickness.

Mr. Porrovecchio gave a brief report on winter activities.

**SUPERINTENDENT REPORT**

Mr. Stack told the board he sent school psychologist Ryan Nollan to CPI training. Mr. Nollan will train the staff on de-escalation strategies. He will have a recommendation on the January agenda for the electric bus purchase. He recently met with Taylor Inman from the Bigfork Eagle/Daily Interlake. She also met with Mr. Appleby and Mr. Hansen regarding bullying. Mr. Stack explained the definition of bullying and said it happens in every school. He has worked with the principals to put things in place to mitigate bullying. The district has the 4 Bs and he is looking into the Olweus bullying prevention program. He released a statement to the paper but wanted trustees to know an article is likely coming.

Board discussion followed.

**FUTURE MEETING SCHEDULE**

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

- o Wednesday, January 11, 2023
- o Wednesday, February 8, 2023
- o Wednesday, March 8, 2023
- o Wednesday, April 12, 2023
- o Wednesday, May 10, 2023

**REGULAR BOARD MEETING**

**DECEMBER 12, 2022**

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

Adjourned: 6:04 pm

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District Clerk

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Chairperson