

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 July 12, 2023, at 5:00 pm in the high school library.

Trustees in attendance: Carol Field, Ben Woods, Paul Sandry, Dan Elwell, Zack Anderson & Julie Kreiman

Trustees absent: Christina Relyea

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

Pledge of Allegiance

There were no comments on non-agenda items.

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

A motion to approve the consent agenda with the removal of item H, number 1 e was made by Trustee Woods, seconded by Trustee Field, and approved by unanimous vote of the elementary and high school trustees.

- Consideration of Board Meeting Minutes for June 6, 2023
- Consideration of All Bill Approval Lists
- Consideration of Student Activity Report for May, 2023
- Consideration of Out of District Students
- Consideration of Surplus Property Resolution – Various Items
- Consideration of Individual Transportation Contracts for SY 2023-24 – Two pre-school students to Evergreen
- Consideration of Transportation Interlocal Agreements for the Transportation of Students for School Year 2023-24
 1. Swan River School District
 2. Salmon Prairie School District
 3. Somers School District
- 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. Certified Personnel Resignations for Consideration
 - a. Randi Tunnell, High School Band Teacher
 - b. Bailey Vukonich, Middle School English Teacher
 - c. Mandy Hiner, Elementary Special Education Teacher
 - d. Charlie Ball, High School English Teacher
 - e. Crystal Kain, One Year Assignment, Instructional Coach
 2. Certified Personnel Recommended for Consideration
 - a. Hunter Johnson, Middle School PE/Health Teacher
 - b. Rob Ford, Middle School English Teacher
 - c. Brian Phillips, 6-12 Band Teacher
 - d. Jill Reichner, High School Family & Consumer Science Teacher
 3. Classified Personnel Recommended for Consideration
 - a. Sandra Swede, Elementary Summer School Paraprofessionals
 - b. Erin Melzer, Part-time Special Education Paraprofessional

OLD BUSINESS

- A. Parent Kindergarten Enrollment Petition – Board Chair Sandry recalled to trustees a parent wanted special circumstances to enroll an underage child. The trustees were going to deny it at the June meeting, but needed to wait until July to vote.

A motion to deny the Parent Kindergarten Enrollment Petition was made by Trustee Kreiman, seconded by Trustee Woods, and approved with unanimous votes of the elementary trustees.

- B. High School Baseball Consideration – Mr. Nathan Mayer told trustees he was working on securing a field at Carlisle Johnson. He said he has the players, funds and a location to play and asked the trustees to approve adding baseball for 2023-24. Discussion followed regarding fields, parking, funding and girls wrestling. Trustee Kreiman asked that a committee or task force look at athletics/activities funding moving forward. Board Chair Sandry questioned student interest in baseball and girls wrestling and school budgets in the future.

A motion to approve high school baseball and girls wrestling for 2023-24 was made by Trustee Elwell, seconded by Trustee Kreiman, and approved with unanimous votes of the elementary and high school trustees.

NEW BUSINESS

- A. 2023-24 District Handbooks, Second Reading & Adoption – Board Chair Sandry tabled district handbooks until the August board meeting.
- B. 2023-24 Cooperative Sports/Activities Agreement with Swan River School District – Activities Director Porrovecchio told the board the agreement was the same as last year. The agreement helps Swan River staff members who coach at Bigfork School District.

A motion to approve the 2023-24 Cooperative Sports/Activities Agreement with Swan River School District was made by Trustee Anderson, seconded by Trustee Woods, and approved with unanimous votes of the elementary and high school trustees.

- C. 2023-24 School Year Transportation Routes – Superintendent Stack asked trustees to approve the 2023-24 transportation routes, which are the same as last school year.

A motion to approve the 2023-24 School Year Transportation Routes was made by Trustee Anderson, and seconded by Trustee Woods, and approved with unanimous votes of the elementary and high school trustees.

PRINCIPALS' REPORTS

Mr. Hansen spoke about summer school, drivers ed, the PLC conference and staffing changes. Trustee Elwell asked about the status of drivers ed. Mr. Hansen said there's a shortage of drivers ed teachers.

Mrs. Clarke reported on summer school and the PLC conference as well.

SUPERINTENDENT REPORT

Mr. Stack told trustees there will be an update on PLCs at the August board meeting. He talked about recent resignations and new hires. All positions are becoming harder to fill, especially special education. He gave a brief update on summer maintenance projects and transportation buses. Lastly, he talked about cell phones on campus. There has been a request to ban them. He discussed some of the pros and cons and complicating factors. A parent survey and a community meeting were discussed.

FUTURE MEETING SCHEDULE

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

- o *Possible Meeting Late July/Early August
- o Wednesday, August 16, 2023
- o Wednesday, September 13, 2023
- o Wednesday, October 11, 2023
- o Wednesday, November 8, 2023
- o Wednesday, December 13, 2023

A motion to adjourn was made by Trustee Kreiman, seconded by Trustee Anderson, and approved by

unanimous vote of the elementary and high school trustees.

Adjourned: 5:40 pm

District Clerk

Chairperson