

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 June 18, 2025, at 5:00 pm in the high school library.

Trustees in attendance: Carol Field, Julie Kreiman, Ben Woods, Paul Sandry and Mac Kirk

Trustees absent: Deb Johnson and Dan Elwell

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

Pledge of Allegiance

Comments on non-agenda items: Student Madeline Pomeroy spoke to the board about the difficulties of taking honors courses and dual enrollment courses and homework and research limitations caused by the school firewall.

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

A motion to approve the consent agenda 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 May 14, 2025
- Consideration of All Bill Approval Lists
- Consideration of Student Activity Report – May, 2025
- Consideration of 2nd Semester Bus Route Reimbursement Claims
- Consideration of 2025-26 Individual Transportation Contract – Pre-K Student
- Consideration of 2025-26 Montana Medical Billing Contract
- Consideration of 2025-26 Transportation Interlocal Agreements for the Transportation of Students
 1. Swan River School District
 2. Salmon Prairie School District
 3. Somers School District
- Consideration of Out of District Students Pursuant to Board Policy 3141
 1. List Attached
- 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. Classified Personnel Resignations for Consideration
 - a. Joelle Campbell, Food Service
 2. Certified Personnel Recommended for Consideration
 - a. Jodi Carter, High School Summer School
 - b. Stevi Siloti-Raykowski, Elementary Teacher
 3. Classified Personnel Recommended for Consideration
 - a. Holly Breckenridge, Transportation
 4. Substitute Personnel Recommended for Consideration
 - a. Christina Jordan, K-5 Substitute Teacher
 - b. Aleisha Rust, Summer School Substitute Teacher

NEW BUSINESS

- A. Election Resolution for the County to Run School Elections – Business Manager Porrovecchio told board members Flathead County would like to run school elections again this year.

A motion to approve the Election Resolution for the County to Run School Elections as recommended was made by Trustee Kreiman, seconded by Trustee Woods, and approved by unanimous vote of the elementary and high school trustees.

- B. Board Policy 3122, Attendance Policy, First Reading – Superintendent Stack went over details in the policy. He's heard from several trustees with varying opinions on the policy. Board discussion followed.
- C. 2024-25 School Audit Services – Business Manager Porrovecchio said Bob Denning from Denning, Downey & Associates is retiring as of June 30. Jon Mahrt, the district auditor from Denning, Downey & Associates, is taking over as Nexus CPA Group.

A motion to approve the 2024-25 School Audit Services with NEXUS CPA Group was made by Trustee Woods, seconded by Trustee Kreiman, and approved by unanimous vote of the elementary and high school trustees.

- D. Resolution to Move Funds from Elementary General Fund to the Interlocal Agreement Fund – Business Manager Porrovecchio asked trustees to approve moving \$13,000. She explained this is the remaining amount after end of year projects and final payrolls.

A motion to move funds from Elementary General Fund to the Interlocal Agreement Fund as recommended was made by Trustee Kreiman, seconded by Trustee Woods, and approved by unanimous vote of the elementary trustees.

- E. Resolution to Move Funds from High School General Fund to the Interlocal Agreement Fund – Business Manager Porrovecchio asked trustees to approve moving \$64,000. This was the remaining amount after maintenance projects and final payrolls.

A motion to move funds from High School General Fund to the Interlocal Agreement Fund as recommended was made by Trustee Woods, seconded by Trustee Field, and approved by unanimous vote of the elementary and high school trustees.

- F. 2025-26 Property & Casualty Insurance Renewal – Superintendent Stack told board members the renewal went up \$4000 due to bus purchases, specifically the electric bus.

A motion to approve the 2025-26 Property & Casualty Insurance renewal was made by Trustee Kreiman, seconded by Trustee Field, and approved with affirmative votes from Trustees Woods, Sandry, Kreiman and Field. Trustee Kirk abstained.

- G. Food Service Pricing Update – Superintendent Stack told trustees to expect a request for changes to meal and milk prices for 2025-26 school year later this summer.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Trustee Kreiman reported the Negotiations Committee met with the unions. Classified is taking the committee offer to union members and the Certified union will meet with the committee again next week.

PRINCIPAL REPORTS

Mrs. Clarke spoke about the end of the school year and departing staff members. She will present assessment data at the July board meeting.

Student Council Nic Gustavson told trustees he and the council will meet over the summer to get a head start on the school year.

Mr. Hansen recapped the end of the year and thanked Ms. Munson for helping students with scholarships. He talked about National History Day and Speech & Debate Nationals. Student Madeline Pomeroy spoke briefly about National History Day.

Mr. Appleby reported on the end of the school year and getting ready for 2025-26. Summer school started and he has 25 students.

SUPERINTENDENT REPORT

Mr. Stack spoke briefly about wrapping up the fiscal year, summer maintenance projects and working with the Maintenance and Transportation Directors.

The future meeting schedule was discussed and trustees moved the July 9 board meeting to July 8 due to scheduling conflicts.

FUTURE MEETING SCHEDULE

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

- Wednesday, July 9, 2025
- Wednesday, August 20, 2025
- Wednesday, September 10, 2025
- Wednesday, October 8, 2025
- Wednesday, November 12, 2025
- Wednesday, December 10, 2025

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

Adjourned: 5:28 pm

District Clerk

Chairperson