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 8, 2026, at 5:04 pm in the high school library.

Trustees in attendance: Carol Field, Alisa Kennedy, Deb Johnson, Ben Woods, Paul Sandry, Dan Elwell, Mac Kirk and Kate Averill

Trustees absent: Roy Burgess

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

Pledge of Allegiance

Comments on non-agenda items: Sarah McDonough expressed concerns with the district considering 2 third grade classes due to enrollment numbers.

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

- Consideration of Board Meeting Minutes for June 10, 2026 Board Meeting
- Consideration of All Bill Approval Lists
- 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 Resignation for Consideration
     a. Ginnie Assenza, Custodian
  2. Substitute Personnel Recommended for Consideration
     a. Brigand Kline, High School Substitute
  3. Extra-Curricular Personnel Recommended for Consideration
     a. Nate Fasbender, High School Golf Assistant Coach
     b. Connor Coleman, High School Football Assistant Coach
     c. Anders Epperly, High School Football Assistant Coach
     d. Adam Jordt, High School Football Assistant Coach
     e. Stew Willis, High School Football Assistant Coach
     f. Josh Feller, High School Volleyball JV Coach
     g. Ahna Fox, High School Volleyball Freshman Coach
     h. Samantha Modderman, Cross Country Assistant Coach
     i. Jessica Johnson, Cross Country Assistant Coach
     j. Tyler Zavala, High School Girls Soccer Assistant Coach (split stipend)
     k. Irelynd Vigil, High School Girls Soccer Assistant Coach (split stipend)
  4. Extra-Curricular Volunteers Recommended for Consideration
     a. Scott Denham, Golf
     b. Nate Willett, High School Football
     c. Jaron West, High School Football
     d. Trevor Rehm, High School Football
     e. Jim Benn, High School Football
     f. Cody Kirk, High School Football
     g. Jane Sundell, Cross Country
     h. Collin Buck, Cross Country
     i. North Nollan, Cross Country

NEW BUSINESS

A. Consideration of Board Policy Revisions, First Reading
   1. Capitalization Policy for Fixed Assets

Business Manager Porrovecchio explained fixed assets and told trustees the proposed change aligns with Federal standards and is a suggestion from multiple auditors.

B. Consideration of Board Policy Revisions, Second Reading for Adoption
   1. Policy 2410 High School Graduation Requirements
   2. Policy 3122 Attendance Policy

Sarah McDonough spoke against the attendance policy. Discussion followed.

Tony Hallock talked about his family's experience with the attendance policy and a death in the family last fall. Discussion followed.

Emily Hallock spoke to the board and asked that there not be a penalty for participation.

Mr. Hansen summarized Policy 2410 changes. Discussion followed.

A motion to approve Policy 2410 as recommended was made by Trustee Woods, seconded by Trustee Elwell, and approved by unanimous vote of the elementary and high school trustees.

More discussion ensued regarding Policy 3122.

A motion to approve Policy 3122 with modifications was made by Trustee Woods, seconded by Trustee Elwell, and approved by unanimous vote of the elementary and high school trustees.

C. Consideration of School Food Meal Pricing for 2026-27 School Year – Superintendent Stack recommended a $0.25 increase to all meals and an increase to seconds due to increasing food costs. He shared pricing from other districts.

A motion to approve school food meal pricing for 2026-27 as recommended was made by Trustee Kirk, seconded by Trustee Johnson, and approved by unanimous vote of the elementary and high school trustees.

D. Consideration of 2026-27 District Handbooks
   1. Elementary Handbook
   2. Middle School Handbook
   3. High School Handbook
   4. High School Activities Handbook

Superintendent Stack said changes to the handbooks were minor.

A motion to approve the 2026-27 district handbooks was made by Trustee Woods, seconded by Trustee Elwell, and approved by unanimous vote of the elementary and high school trustees.

E. Consideration of 2026-27 School Year Transportation Routes – Superintendent Stack explained the route approval process. He talked about possible route changes. One of the changes depends on the status of Salmon Prairie Swan Lake Elementary as it may be closing.

A motion to approve the 2026-27 transportation routes was made by Trustee Johnson, seconded by Trustee Elwell, and approved by unanimous vote of the elementary and high school trustees.

F. 2026-27 Cooperative Sports/Activities Agreement with Swan River School District – Principal Appleby asked the board to approve the cooperative agreement with Swan River School District.

A motion to approve the 2026-27 Cooperative Sports/Activities Agreement with Swan River School District was made by Trustee Woods, seconded by Trustee Elwell, and approved by unanimous vote of the elementary and high school trustees.

G. Bigfork Middle School Library Variance – Superintendent Stack told trustees the K-8 building is required to have more than 1 FTE librarians, per the state accreditation manual. The district has been approved for the variance for at least a decade. The librarians are for the variance as well as other staff.

A motion to approve the middle school library variance was made by Trustee Woods, seconded by Trustee Johnson, and approved by unanimous vote of the elementary and high school trustees.

COMMITTEE REPORTS
There were no committee reports.

PRINCIPAL REPORTS
Mr. Hansen spoke about driver education, summer school and summer athletics.

Mr. Porrovecchio gave a report on the summer strength and conditioning opportunities.

Mrs. Clarke talked about the playground work, summer school and curriculum exploration.

Mr. Appleby shared he's working with OPI and PowerSchool and will have the ability to generate better student data. He also shared he's working with teachers on SMART goals for the school year, he talked about Parent Night and possibly getting CTE funding from OPI.

Student Council President Lilli Suffia gave a brief report. She will meet with the cabinet over the summer to work on Freshman Orientation.

SUPERINTENDENT REPORT
Mr. Stack talked about the annual insurance inspection, summer maintenance projects and closing out the fiscal year and working on the upcoming budgets.

Business Manager Porrovecchio told trustees after the final payroll of the fiscal year, there was not excess funds to move to the Interlocal Agreement Fund.

Trustee Kirk asked about third grade and the misinformation shared on Facebook. Discussion followed. Mr. Stack talked about enrollment, budgets, accreditation and staffing changes. More discussion followed.

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

- **Wednesday, August 19, 2026**
- Wednesday, September 9, 2026
- Wednesday, October 14, 2026
- Wednesday, November 11, 2026
- Wednesday, December 9, 2026

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

Adjourned: 6:24 pm

District Clerk

Chairperson