

**SCHOOL DISTRICT 52
ENNIS, MADISON COUNTY, MONTANA
AUGUST 23, 2021**

SPECIAL BOARD MEETING 6:00 A.M.

Karen Ketchu	Chairperson – via zoom
Andrew Henrich	Vice-Chair – via zoom
Halley Perry	Trustee
Dino Fanelli	Trustee
Kyle Stone	Trustee
Mellissa Newman	Principal – via zoom
Brian Hilton	Principal - absent
Casey Klasna	Superintendent
Ginger Martello	District Clerk

VISITORS/PUBLIC COMMENT

Mark Qualman – QuEst

OLD BUSINESS

Consideration to Approve Architect to Proceed with an Alternative Design Option and Consider Additional Fees

Superintendent Klasna informed the board 45 Architecture recorded the meeting last week for anyone to review. They presented Option D which eliminated closing Charles Street. Chairperson Ketchu asked the board if they had any comments on the proposed plan.

Trustee Henrich arrived 6:04 a.m.

Trustee Henrich was concerned that he didn't have enough time to look over the documents and that 45 Architecture wasn't available to answer questions today. There weren't any details to the plan regarding size of rooms, cost of project, number of classrooms, and he wasn't crazy about the design. Superintendent Klasna said 45 Architecture explained all this last Thursday and this is conceptual drawing that put together in five days. Mark Qualman explained this is only a concept and size and number of classrooms are done with the design, it includes the same programs as the other design. Trustee Henrich was concerned that just the planning committee approved a design, and it will cost another \$50,000 to create another plan. He felt there should be a better process. Board discussion included, hold a meeting with all players involved before design is completed, where cost will be funded, has the firm met their obligations, not increasing architecture costs on next phase of project, listening to the recording, not being rushed, everyone needs to speak up at meetings, etc. Trustee Stone made a motion to approve the architect proceed with an alternative design Option D and approve the

additional fees without changing the fees for the next phase. Trustee Fanelli seconded the motion. The board will meet with 45 architecture and other involved entities to discuss options and concerns for Option D prior to the design presented for bond approval. Chairperson Ketchu called for the vote. Trustee Stone, Trustee Fanelli, Trustee Perry, and Chairperson Ketchu were in favor. Trustee Henrich was opposed.

NEW BUSINESS

Consideration to Hire Paraprofessional and Part-Time Music Teacher

The position for para/music teacher was advertised on the website. Katie McCollom was interviewed and is recommended for the position. She is a certified teacher in New York and Texas and will be getting her Montana certification. Trustee Stone made a motion to hire Ms. McCollom as presented. Trustee Fanelli seconded the motion. Chairperson Ketchu asked if she will be assigned a mentor. Superintendent Klasna said she will be mentored by Ms. Zucker (Kottal) and will shadow at other schools. The chair called for the vote. All members present were in approval.

As there was no other business for the attention of the board, the special meeting was adjourned at 6:40 p.m.

ATTEST

Ginger Martello, District Clerk

Karen Ketchu, Chairperson

Date Approved