

Deer Park School District #2
2105 Middle Road
Columbia Falls, MT 59912
REGULAR MEETING

REGULAR MEETING MINUTES – October 11, 2022

A regular meeting of the Board of Trustees, Deer Park School District #2 was called to order by Chairwoman Cindy Barnes at the school at 6:35 p.m. for the purpose of considering business to come before the Board.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Cindy Barnes, Mickale Carter, and Annelies Pedersen

OFFICIALS PRESENT: Superintendent Sheri Modderman and Clerk Peggy Martin

STAFF PRESENT: Laurie Lapan

PUBLIC PRESENT: None noted.

PUBLIC COMMENT: None noted.

CORRESPONDENCE: None noted.

MEETING MINUTES:

The following minutes were presented for review:

- September 13, 2022 – Regular Meeting

It was noted that Beverly Jordan needs to be removed from the Substitute Approval List on page 2.

Annelies Pedersen made a motion to approve the minutes with the noted changes. Mickale Carter seconded the motion. All were in favor. Motion passed.

ADMINISTRATIVE STAFF REPORTS:

DISTRICT CLERK'S REPORT:

Action Items – Consideration of:

- **October Claims**

Annelies Pedersen made a motion to approve paying the October claims. Mickale Carter seconded the motion. All were in favor. Motion passed.

- **Approval of Donations**

The following donations were presented for approval:

- All Day Dog Adventures - \$400.00 donation to the music program
- Schweitzer Engineering Laboratories, Inc. - \$100.00 for science, math, technology purposes

Mickale Carter made a motion to approve both donations for the above stated purposes. Annelies Pedersen seconded the motion. All were in favor. Motion passed.

Information Items

- September Statement of Expenditure
- September Payroll Report
- Extracurricular Report

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT:

Action Items – Consideration of:

- **Food Service Contract for 2022-2023**

Mickale Carter made a motion to approve the food service with the Columbia Falls School District for the 2022-2023 school year. Annelies Pedersen seconded the motion. All were in favor. Motion passed.

- **Substitute Teacher Approval**

Elizabeth Skinner was presented for approval as a substitute teacher for the 2022-2023 school year. Annelies Pedersen made a motion to approve Elizabeth Skinner as a substitute teacher. Mickale Carter seconded the motion. All were in favor. Motion passed.

- **Hiring Consideration – Special Education Para-Professional**

Mickale Carter made a motion to open up for hire the position of special education para-professional. Annelies Pedersen seconded the motion. All were in favor. Motion passed.

Information/Discussion Items:

- **Building Committee Formation**

It was decided to postpone discussion on this item until more board members are present.

- **Fall Enrollment Count**

The student count on October 3rd was 199 with 163 students in Kindergarten through 6th grade and 36 students in 7th/8th.

BOARD CHAIRWOMAN'S REPORT:

Action Items – Consideration of:

- **First Reading – Revised Policy**

- 2335 – line 17 – to read, “For purposes of this Policy, State law defines “human sexuality...”

Mickale Carter made a motion to approve the policy as the first and final reading with the above noted addition. Annelies Pedersen seconded the motion. All were in favor. Motion passed.

Information/Discussion Item:

- **ESSER Monthly OPI Report**

Board Chairwoman Barnes shared a report that she received from OPI showing ESSER fund balances. This is a report that will be sent to her monthly.

FACILITIES UPDATE

Information/Discussion Item:

- **Hillside Steps**

There was no new information to share.

- **Facilities Inventory/Inspection Status Report**

There was a review of the report with discussion on the need to update.

NEXT MEETING:

The next regular meeting will be on November 8, 2022 at 6:30 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT: Annelies Pedersen made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:17 p.m. Mickale Carter seconded the motion. All were in favor. Motion passed.

Chairwoman

Date Approved

District Clerk