

REGULAR BOARD MEETING

PUBLIC MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES

LONE ROCK SCHOOL DISTRICT #13

1112 Three Mile Creek Road • Stevensville, MT 59870

March 21, 2023 7:00 p.m. – Middle School Room 310

MINUTES:

1. Call to Order/Pledge of Allegiance

Silent roll call of Trustees

- Meeting called to order at 6:57pm
- Board present: Trustees Gary Leese, Matt Schaefer, and Paula Short. Trustee Cody Houtchens was present by phone. Trustee Wayne Stanford was absent.

2. Approval of the order of Business

- No objections to the order of business

3. Visitors and Patrons - Eve Wight and 5th Grade Class

- The 5th grade class did a presentation on fractions. Each student took part in discussing various steps in the calculation of fractions.

4. Correspondence / Communications

a. MSGIA – Letter concerning sidewalks and safety

- Due to a recent claim, MSGIA came out to survey the sidewalks on the school campus. It was determined that several must be fixed as they are a tripping or a slipping hazard.

b. Audit Letter – Completion of the FY22 Audit and Presentation in May 2023

- The auditors submitted a letter regarding the completion of the FY22 audit. The Superintendent, Board Chair, and Business Manager had the audit exit interview with Denning, Downey & Associates on Monday, March 20th.
- The audit presentation will be at the May board meeting.

5. Public Comment

- None

6. Approval of the Consent Agenda:

- Matt Schaefer moved to approve the March claim warrants #35823 through #35852 (no gaps), the February payroll warrants #13731 through #13756 (no gaps), payroll direct deposits #83019 through #82979, as well as the minutes from the February 21st, 2022 regular board meeting. Paula Short seconded and the motion carried 4-0.

7. Reports

a. Business Manager – Jeannie Morgan

- Noted items:
 - Participated in the recent budget webinars presented by MASBO and MTSBA
 - Completed the FY22 audit, including a federal audit
 - Informed the Board that there are only two candidates for the two open trustee positions

b. Stevensville Board Representative- Jennifer Gunterman

- Jennifer Gunterman reviewed the following:
 - Budget cuts are being discussed for the upcoming school year
 - Enrollment is down
 - Opening a Pre-K program for the 2023-24 school year
 - No levy is planned
 - Calendar is set for 2023-24
 - Returning to Wednesday early releases for the 2023-24 school year

c. Superintendent/Principal Report – Robert DoBell

- Report included in board packet

d. School Board Member's Reports

- None

8. Old Business

a. 2023 General Fund Mill Levy-Discussion and Preliminary Information and Plan of Action

- Superintendent Robert DoBell gave a status report on the General Fund Mill Levy
- Stated that the mailers will be organized on Thursday from 3:30pm to 4:30pm and mailed on Friday.

9. New Business

a. Letter of resignation – Cheyenne Grinnell, Assistant Kitchen Cook

b. Letter of resignation – Jan Burgess, Librarian

c. Letter of resignation – Faith Sullivan, MS Math

d. Letter of resignation – Karly Barthels, K-8 Music

- Paula Short moved to accept the resignations of Cheyenne Grinnell, Jan Burgess, Faith Sullivan and Karly Barthels. Matt Schaefer seconded and the motion carried 4-0.

e. Recommendation to contract with A2Z Personnel for an assistant cook position until the end of the 2022-23 school year

f. Ballot Language – Operational Mill Levy \$250,000

- Matt Schaefer moved to approve the attached ballot language for the operational mill levy. Cody Houtchens seconded and the motion carried 4-0.

g. Notice of Intent for 2023-24 Permissive Levies

- Paula Short moved to approve the attached 2023-24 permissive levy for the Building Reserve Fund and omitting the increase for the Tuition Fund. Matt Schaefer seconded and the motion carried 4-0.

h. Recommendation to hire the listing of certified staff

- Matt Schaefer moved to hire the following certified staff for the 2023-24 school year:

1. Tania Jensen
2. Shelby Murphy
3. Cassandra North
4. Crystal Grant
5. Jody Serafin
6. Debbie Laga
7. Jenna Eby
8. Julie Bachman
9. Ward Lake
10. Jeannette Wandler
11. Jillian Ray
12. Eve Wight
13. Dawn Williamson
14. Shannon Potter
15. Payton Olin
16. Amy Reed
17. Monica Wilson
18. Art Perez

- Paula Short seconded and the motion carried 4-0.

i. Recommendation to hire Karly Barthels as MS Track Coach for the 2023 season

- Matt Schaefer moved to hire Karly Barthels as MS Track coach for the 2023 season. Paula Short seconded and the motion carried 4-0.

j. Recommendation to adopt the proposed school calendar for the 2023-2024 school year.

- Paula Short moved to adopt the proposed school calendar for the 2023-2024 school year. Matt Schaefer seconded and the motion carried 4-0.

k. Recommendation Closed Executive Session – Annual Evaluation of Business Manager, Jeannie Morgan

- Closed session: 8:08pm
- Open session: 8:25pm

10. Set future meeting dates and agenda items

- Regular Board Meeting: Tuesday, April 18, 2023 at 7:00pm

11. Adjourn

The meeting adjourned at 8:27pm

CERTIFICATION:

The above minutes were approved at a board meeting: _____,
and were approved by a vote of ____ for and ____ against.

Board Chair Signature (Gary Leese)

Date

Clerk Signature (Jeannie Morgan)

Date