

REGULAR MEETING – DECEMBER 14, 2010

1 & 2. CALL TO ORDER/PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Chairman Keith called the regular meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. in the Elementary Board Conference Room. Trustees Present: Krystal Zentner, Kelly Stevenson, Penny Young and Russ Imlay. Others Present: Bill Phillips, Betty Sweet, Becky Bell, Linda Eckerman, Christina Madden and Benton Asbury.

3. MINUTES:

Trustee Imlay made a motion to approve the minutes of the November 9, 2010 Regular Meeting and the December 7, 2010 special meeting. Trustee Zentner seconded the motion. Members voted 5/0 in favor.

4. CLAIMS, PAYROLL, TREASURER'S RECONCILIATION:

Trustee Young made a motion to accept the following: claims 13816-13882 with warrant number 13834 declared void and replaced with number 13843, payroll warrants 17315-17439 and the direct deposit list of 12/7/10. Trustee Imlay seconded the motion. Vote 5/0. Questions were asked on a warrant to Red Rock for scorebooks, uniforms and first aid supplies.

5. ATHLETIC/ACTIVITY ACCOUNTING:

Trustee Stevenson made a motion to accept the activity accounting for November. Trustee Young seconded the motion. Vote: 5/0. Discussion included questions on the cost of the football playoff game and a funds spent by the Senior Class for their Haunted House feature at the Halloween Carnival.

Item 8.3 – Honor Band, will be moved ahead on the agenda and be addressed before Old Business. It will be reported in order.

6. SPECIAL REPORTS:

6.1 Principal/Activities Director Report: Mrs. Bell informed the Board on a number of changes made at a recent MHSA meeting including Joliet moving to Class B and the new arrangement of 5-C Football. Bridger High School Girls Basketball will proceed with 11 to 12 girls. Boys numbers total 18. Evaluations for fall sports have been completed. MHSA Annual meeting is 1/17. Information will be given at the next regular meeting on proposals for that meeting. The Elementary Christmas Concert received very positive feedback. Non-tenure teachers will be evaluated have their first of two evaluations completed in December and January. The process for the tenured teachers will begin in February.

6.2 Superintendent/Transportation Director Report: Mr. Phillips noted that a staff member from YBGR had come to observe and help schedule our high school special ed team. Case loads will be looked at in all grades. Travis Heggem would like to take a team of 8 students to the Montana Academic World Quest in Missoula again this year. If possible, Mr. Phillips would like the District to cover the bus & driver and the entrance fees. Grades for eligibility will now be pulled off the computer on Monday mornings versus the end of the school day on Friday so that teachers have the opportunity to grade late work over the weekend.

6.3 Clerk's Report: Christmas Break will be spent working on end-of-year payroll items, treasurer's reconciliations and filing. In addition, time will be spent reconciling the two grants the district is housing for MSU-Billings.

7. OLD BUSINESS:

7.1 Policies - a. Revision – Second Reading- 5251 Resignations: Based on the recommendation of Superintendent Phillips, Trustee Stevenson made a motion to accept the second and final reading of Policy 5251 with a wording change in line 14 from “should” to “will”. Trustee Imlay seconded the motion. Members voted 5/0 in favor.

b. Second Reading – 3415 & 3415P Concussions, 5510 F-HIPAA Release of Information: Based on the recommendation of Superintendent Phillips, Trustee Zentner made a motion to accept the second and final reading of Policies 3415, 3415P and 5510. Trustee Stevenson seconded the motion. Vote: 5/0.

7.2 Certified Negotiations: Committee members will meet with Bill over the Christmas break and with the BEA members of the committee in January.

8. NEW BUSINESS:

8.1 Surplus Items Declaration: Trustee Imlay made a motion to advertise the following items as surplus: fluorescent, incandescent & indoor HID lights, Elem. Stage Bleachers and other misc. items to be determined. Trustee Zentner seconded the motion and all members voted in favor.

8.2 Budget: Current enrollment is 198. Budget forecasts are impossible at this time and members are urged to watch the legislative proceedings and educate themselves and our taxpayers as well as possible. Reductions-in-force, retirement incentives and other belt-tightening measures need to be considered. It is the consensus of the Board that they would like to keep all staff members and classes as they are but will discuss program cuts if needed. Examples of retirement incentives will be given at the next meeting.

8.3 Honor Band: Trustee Young made a motion to grant permission to attend the 2011 Tri-County Honor Band and to travel out of state. Trustee Imlay seconded the motion and members voted 5/0 in favor. Trustee Imlay then made a motion to allow attendance and to pay fees that will be reimbursed later by student fundraising for 2 students to attend the All Northwest Conference Music event. Trustee Stevenson seconded the motion. Vote: 5/0. The question was raised on the pep band being paid a portion of gate receipts from games at which they perform. This was a Board motion from several years ago. Information will be gathered on this and relayed at the next meeting.

8.4 Student Attendance Agreement: Based on the recommendation of Superintendent Phillips, Trustee Young made a motion to accept the agreement for Rebecca Ostlund. Trustee Zentner seconded the motion. Vote: 5/0.

8.5 Accept Draft Audit: Trustee Imlay made a motion to accept the draft audit as prepared by Olness and Assoc. for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2010. Trustee Young seconded the motion. Vote: 5/0. Clerk Sweet will contact the auditor regarding one page that does not seem to belong to our audit.

8.6 Audit Response Letter: Trustee Zentner made a motion to accept the audit response letter as prepared. Trustee Stevenson seconded the motion. All members voted in favor.

9. PERSONNEL: All based on the recommendation of Superintendent Phillips

9.1 Hire – Head Varsity Football Coach: Trustee Stevenson made a motion to hire Mike Mathis for the 2011-2012 school year. Trustee Young seconded the motion. Vote: 5/0.

9.2 Hire – Assistant Varsity Football Coach: As Drew Hayes is not sure if he will be able to take on this position next year, he encouraged the District to reopen the position. Trustee Imlay made a motion to open the position of Asst. Varsity Football Coach for the 2011-2012 school year. Trustee Young seconded the motion. 5/0.

9.3 Head Varsity Volleyball Coach: Wayne Moorman has expressed an interest in retiring and also encouraged the District to reopen this position. Trustee Imlay made a motion to open the position of Head Varsity Volleyball Coach for the 2011-2012 school year. Trustee Young seconded the motion. 5/0.

9.4 Assistant Varsity Volleyball Coach: Robin Smith also expressed interest in retiring and asked the District to reopen this position. Trustee Imlay made a motion to open the position of Asst. Varsity Volleyball Coach for the 2011-2012 school year. Trustee Stevenson seconded the motion. 5/0.

9.5 Head Junior High Volleyball Coach: Trustee Stevenson made a motion to offer Allison Boeck this position for 2011-2012. Trustee Young seconded the motion. Vote: 5/0.

9.6 Assistant Junior High Volleyball Coach: Trustee Young made a motion to offer Kayla Jares this position for 2011-2012. Trustee Zentner seconded the motion. Vote: 5/0.

9.7 Head Junior High Football Coach: Trustee Imlay made a motion to offer this position to Ole Olson for 2011-2012. Trustee Keith seconded the motion. Trustee Imlay then made a motion to rescind his original motion and Trustee Keith seconded the rescinded motion. Trustee Stevenson made a motion to table this item to the January Board meeting. Trustee Young seconded the motion. Members voted 5/0.

9.8 Assistant Junior High Football Coach: Trustee Young made a motion to table this item to the January agenda. Trustee Stevenson seconded the motion. Vote: 5/0.

9.9 Principal Contract: Trustee Imlay made a motion to accept the recommendation of Superintendent Phillips and offer Principal Bell a contract for 2011-2012. Trustee Young seconded the motion. Discussion included questions about budget constraints. Trustee Imlay then made a motion to rescind his original motion and Trustee Young seconded the rescinded motion. Trustee Stevenson made a motion to table this item to the January Board meeting. Trustee Young seconded the motion. Members voted 5/0.

10. PUBLIC COMMENT:

None at this time.

11. NEXT REGULAR MEETING:

Trustee Imlay made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 9:30 p.m. Trustee Stevenson seconded the motion. The next regular Board meeting will be Tuesday, January 11 at 7:00 p.m.

ATTEST:

Board Chairman

Clerk of the Board