

# Regular Meeting

Cascade School District 3B  
Board of Trustees  
January 17, 2023 - 6:00 pm

## Board Members Present

### High School Board

John Rumney - Chair  
Iain McGregor (Zoom)  
Ruth Mortag  
Rick Cummings  
Chris Wilson (Zoom)  
Mark McKamey

### Elementary Board

John Rumney - Chair  
Iain McGregor (Zoom)  
Ruth Mortag  
Rick Cummings  
Chris Wilson (Zoom)

Others Present: Levi Collins, Karsen Floerchinger, Sonja Mazaira, Michelle Price, Lawni Raether, Merrill McKamey, Amanda Brown, Ray Castellanos, Matthew Leardini

John Rumney - Board Chair, called the Board of Trustees meeting to order at 6:00 pm. The Board said the Pledge of Allegiance. Mr. Rumney asked for public comment on non-agenda items. There was no public comment.

## Informational

- A. Letter of Resignation - Josiah Castellanos (Custodian)

## Staff Reports

- A. Amanda Brown, MTSS Advisor
  - a. Ms. Brown informed the board of what MTSS was and what the teachers have been working on with the MTSS program and grant.
- B. Michelle Price, K-12 Principal
  - a. Behavioral data comparisons.
  - b. November & December Student of the Month Awards: High School - Kayleen McKamey (Nov), Audrey Rumney (Dec); Junior High - Trent Lane (Nov), Bobby Rumney (Dec).
  - c. HS Teacher helping in the admin office for minor behavior issues.
- C. Sonja Mazaira, Activities Director
  - a. FFA - hosting KMON Jan 17th; 18th travel to GF for competition
  - b. BPA - 16th traveled to GF to compete Region 3 competition - brought home many awards.
  - c. Girls BB -1st in conference 6-0; Boys BB - 2nd in conference 5-1
  - d. WR - 3 placed in competition; hosting girls mixer next thursday
  - e. Cheer camp last saturday - performed at half time of girls game

- f. Ski trips started back up.
- g. Wall built for wrestling room on stage
- h. Scoreboards have shipped.
- D. Levi Collins, Superintendent
  - a. Virtual nurse getting a lot of use
  - b. Type E school bus purchased - need to go pick it up.
  - c. Need for custodial staff - discussing different ideas, such as a sign-on bonus
  - d. Call for Negotiation Committee Meeting
  - e. Chromebook insurance - do not recommend renewing
  - f. Great Works of MT Public Schools statement
  - g. Received request from Sheriff's Dept to use our building for a multi agency active shooter training
  - h. Legislative Updates
  - i. Strategic Planning Dates - Feb 2nd, 7th, 9th, 16th
- E. Karsen Floerchinger, Business Manager
  - a. General Funds are at 38% expended, compared to the 4-year average of 35% for the month of December.
  - b. All Funds Budget vs Actual report for FY2023.

## **Board Report**

- A. Board Evaluation
- B. Board Training Hours
- C. Policy Committee Report
  - a. Met January 9th to further discuss 8th grade participation policy - any changes tabled to revisit this summer.

## **New Business**

- A. Consideration of Recommendation for Coaches
 

Ruth Mortag moved, seconded by Rick Cummings to hire the coaches as presented for SY2022-2023, contingent upon background checks.

The coaches include: Jeremy Butcher - JH Boys Basketball Head, Jason Raether - JH Boys Basketball Assistant, Andy Perry - JH Boys Basketball Volunteer, Travis Edmundson - JH Girls Basketball Head, Brenden Hensley - JH Wrestling Head, Josh Pepos - JH Wrestling Assistant, JD Yarger - JH Wrestling Assistant, Nick Ethridge - HS Boys Assistant Coach.

Merril McKamey made a public comment.

Passed unanimously.
- B. Consideration of Recommendation for XCELL Aide, Alezandria Guariglia
 

Ruth Mortag moved, seconded by Mark McKamey to approve the recommendation to hire Alezandria Guariglia.

Passed unanimously.

C. Consideration of Recommendation for Custodian Signing Bonus

Rick Cummings moved, seconded by Ruth Mortag to approve the Custodian Sign-On Bonus. The Board discussed when the payments should be made and decided that the bonus will be paid after 3 months of work and 6 months of work. All other conditions remain the same as listed.

Passed unanimously.

D. Consent Agenda (Appendix D)

- a. Minutes of Regular Board Meeting, December 20, 2022
- b. Business Claims
- c. Student Activity Account
- d. Sub List

Rick Cummings moved, seconded by Chris Wilson to approve the consent agenda.

Passed unanimously.

**Board Meeting Evaluation (I)**

- A. Complete evaluation and turn into Mr. Collins.

**Announcements (I)**

- A. Regular School Board Meeting, February 21, 2023
- B. Upcoming Trainings

**Recess 7:07-7:14**

**Executive Session (I)**

- A. Superintendent Annual Evaluation

Chairman Rumney closed the meeting to the public at 7:14 pm to conduct the annual evaluation of Superintendent Collins. The meeting was reopened to the public at 7:36 pm.

**Adjournment (A)**

At 7:38 pm Chris Wilson moved, seconded by Rick Cummings to adjourn. Passed unanimously.

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John Rumney, Board Chair

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ATTEST: Karsen Floerchinger, District Clerk

Date Signed \_\_\_\_\_

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