

Regular Meeting

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Cascade School District 3B
Board of Trustees
November 21, 2023 - 6:00 pm

Board Members Present

High School Board

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

Elementary Board

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

Others Present: Levi Collins, Karsen Floerchinger, Michael Wilson, Connor Schulte, Jason Raether, Lawni Raether, Susie Nelsen, Dave Nelsen, Kendra Lane, Ray Castellanos, Jen Ward, Tina Mann, Tami Snyder, Salina Hunter, Josh Pepos, Farrah McGregor

John Rumney - Board Chair, called the Board of Trustees meeting to order at 6:03 pm. The Board said the Pledge of Allegiance. Mr. Rumney asked for public comment on non-agenda items. There was no public comment.

Public Comment

There was no public comment.

Informational

- A. Letter of Resignation, Tim Lange (5th Grade Teacher, JH Boys Basketball Head Coach)
- B. Letter of Resignation, Summer Schmidt (Food Service Supervisor)
- C. Letter of Resignation, Ricky Day (Custodian)
- D. Resignation, Misty Ayers (Cook)
- E. Resignation, Jay Hickam (Sub Cook)

Staff Reports

For full detailed reports, please see the board packet appendices available on the website.

- A. Jason Raether, Activities Director
 - a. First 30 days
 - b. Priorities
 - c. Upcoming Events
 - d. Activities Update
 - e. Athletics Update

- B. Connor Schulte, Dean of Students
 - a. Quarter 1 Behavior Report
- C. Michael Wilson, K1-12 Principal
 - a. MAST Testing
 - b. Parent Teacher Conferences
 - c. Title I Reading Night
 - d. 5th Grade
 - e. MAP Assessment
 - f. 2023 ACT Data
- D. Levi Collins, Superintendent
 - a. Lobby area completed
 - b. Chain link fence quotes
 - c. Electric buses
 - d. Cleaning up school & disposing of old junk and clutter
- E. Karsen Floerchinger, Business Manager
 - a. Fall ANB Counts
 - b. Audits
 - c. Indian Education for All Entitlement Funding
 - d. Professional Development
 - e. General fund budgets are 23% expended at the end of October 2023 compared to the 22% 4-year average.

Board Report

- A. Golden Gavel Award
- B. Board Evaluation
- C. Board Training Hours

New Business

- A. Consideration of Recommendation for Student Attendance Agreement Denial
Rick Cummings moved, seconded by Ruth Mortag to deny the student attendance agreement.
The meeting was closed at 6:47 pm for executive session. The meeting was reopened at 6:53 pm.
Passed unanimously.
- B. Consideration of Recommendation for Food Service Supervisor, Armando Romero
Chris Wilson moved, seconded by Ruth Mortag to approve the recommendation to hire Armando Romero as Food Service Supervisor for SY2023-2024.
Passed unanimously.
- C. Consideration of Recommendation for Long-Term Substitute Teacher, Mary Corder
Rick Cummings moved, seconded by Chris Wilson to approve the recommendation to hire Mary Corder as Long-Term Substitute Teacher for SY2023-2024.

Passed unanimously.

D. Consideration of Recommendation for Paraprofessional, Heidi Deshayes

Chris Wilson moved, seconded by Ruth Mortag to approve the recommendation to hire Heidi Deshayes as Paraprofessional for SY2023-2024.

Passed unanimously.

E. Consideration of Recommendation for Bus Driver, Michelle Erickson

Ruth Mortag moved, seconded by Chris Wilson to approve the recommendation to hire Michelle Erickson as Bus Driver for SY2023-2024.

Passed unanimously.

F. Consideration of Recommendation for Winter Coaches

Rick Cummings moved, seconded by Iain McGregor to approve the recommendation to hire the winter coaches, as listed, for SY2023-2024.

Coaches for hire included Mona Cooper - HS Wrestling Assistant, Jason Coates - HS Wrestling 2nd Asst, Raven Hensely - HS Wrestling Asst Volunteer, Robert Laakso - HS Wrestling Asst Volunteer, Nick Ethridge - JH Boys Basketball Head (addendum).

Passed unanimously.

G. Consideration of Resolution for Stockmens Bank Signature Updates

Chris Wilson moved, seconded by Rick Cummings to approve the signature updates for the Stockmens Bank accounts.

The update is to remove the previous Food Service Supervisor and add Mr. Romero.

Passed unanimously.

H. Consideration of FY2023 TFS Amendments

Rick Cummings moved, seconded by Ruth Mortag to approve the FY2023 TFS Amendments.

Due to new reporting requirements for Indian Education For All entitlement payments, the TFS must be amended to account for allowable expenditures and avoid funding reductions in the future.

Passed unanimously.

I. Consideration of Football Scoreboard Quotes

Chris Wilson moved, seconded by Iain McGregor to approve the purchase of a scoreboard.

Wilson commented that his preference was to get a big analog daktronics, move the old one up against the school, and upgrade the new gym scoreboard to digital. The current gym scoreboards could be sold. The football field scoreboard has limited use.

McGregor commented that if the money can be raised, he would like digital scoreboards for both the football field and new gym, to continue to make school better.

Mortag commented that there are other facility upgrades that need to be done. She inquired about a policy for sponsorships, as well as the need for a fundraising committee.

Cummings commented that the sponsorships need to be tacked down.

McKamey commented that sponsorships need to be in place and would like to wait for the quotes from daktronics to come in.

Kendra Lane made public comment on the other needs in school.

Lawni Raether made public comment about the ability to add in an educational component, current curriculum that needs addressed in school and the possibility that we may not get as many sponsorships with analog scoreboard.

Mark McKamey moved to table the motion. Ruth Mortag seconded.

McKamey made comment that there were a lot of upcoming expenses and the purchase needed to thought through more, as well as firmed up prices.

Mortag commented that she would like to see a precommitment from sponsors with a dollar range for contribution. The policy committee should create a framework of sponsorsihp packages.

Cummings reiterated the importance of sponsorships.

The board directed the administration to bring more information to the January board meeting.

Passed unanimously.

J. Consent Agenda (Appendix D)

- a. Minutes of Regular Board Meeting, October 17, 2023
- b. Business Claims
- c. Student Activity Account
- d. Sub List

Iain McGregor moved, seconded by Ruth Mortag to approve the consent agenda.

Passed unanimously.

Recess 8:28-8:31

Superintendent Quarterly Evaluation (I)

The board convened in executive session for the superintendent quarterly evaluation at 8:31 pm. The meeting was reopened at 8:58 pm.

Board Meeting Evaluation (I)

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

Announcements (I)

- A. Regular School Board Meeting, December 19, 2023
- B. Upcoming Trainings

Adjournment (A)

At 8:58 pm Iain McGregor moved, seconded by Chris Wilson to adjourn. Passed unanimously.

John Rumney, Board Chair

ATTEST: Karsen Floerchinger, District Clerk

Date Signed _____

For additional details on items presented in the minutes of the meeting, please see the coinciding board agenda found on Cascade Public Schools' webpage: www.cascade.k12.mt.us/District/1141-Board-Agendas-and-Packet.html