THE REGULAR MEETING of the BOARD OF TRUSTEES of Bigfork Elementary School and Bigfork High School, District No 38, Flathead and Lake Counties, was called to order by Chairperson Sandry on July 5, 2017, at 5:00 pm in the High School, Room 203.

Trustees present: Paul Sandry, Patricia Landon, Dana Whitney, Jessica Martinz, Zack Anderson and Christina Relyea

Trustees absent: Paul Sullivan Jr.

Also in attendance were Superintendent Matt Jensen, Business Manager Lacey Porrovecchio, and Activities Coordinator David Creamer.

Pledge of Allegiance.

There were no comments on non-agenda items.

A motion to <u>approve the agenda</u> was made by Trustee Landon, seconded by Trustee Whitney, and **approved** by unanimous vote of the elementary school and high school trustees.

A motion to <u>approve the consent agenda</u> was made by Trustee Landon, seconded by Trustee Whitney, and **approved** by unanimous vote of the elementary and high school trustees.

- Approval of Regular Board Meeting Minutes for June 21, 2017
- Approval of Individual Transportation Contracts for 2017-18
- Approval of Personnel Any offer of employment is contingent upon receipt of satisfactory criminal history background check
 - 1. Administrative Support Personnel Recommended for Hire
 - a. Ginny Kirby, Administrative Assistant
 - 2. Classified Part-Time Summer Maintenance Position
 - 3. Classified Personnel Resignation
 - a. Susie Hullett, Secretary
 - 4. Special Education Contracts for 2017-18
 - a. Angie Hansen, Speech Language Therapist
 - b. Clifton Palmer, School Psychologist
 - c. Heather Massey, Physical Therapist
 - Extra-Curricular Personnel Recommended for 217-18
 - a. Todd Emslie, Head Football Coach
 - b. John Little, Assistant Football Coach
 - c. Jim Epperly, Assistant Football Coach
 - d. Ed Buttrey, Assistant Football Coach
 - e. Saia Misa, Assistant Football Coach
 - f. Schuvler Baird. Head Volleyball Coach
 - g. Ariel Stallknecht, Assistant Volleyball Coach
 - h. Susan Loeffler, Head Cross Country Coach
 - i. Jessica Johnson, Assistant Cross Country Coach
 - j. Derek Ford, Middle School Football Coach
 - k. Connor Coleman, Middle School Football Coach
 - I. Kelsey Schwenk, Middle School Volleyball Coach
 - m. Heather Epperly, Head Fall Cheer Coach
 - n. Emily Feller, Assistant Fall Cheer Coach
 - o. Jens Sundem, Head Girls Soccer Coach
 - p. Nancy Robinson, Assistant Girls Soccer Coach
 - q. Joe Feise, Head Boys Soccer Coach
 - 6. Extra-Curricular Volunteers Recommended for 2017-18
 - a. Beau Wielkocziewski, Cross Country
 - b. Chico Rodriquez, Middle School Foorball
 - c. Tyson Roe, High School Football

OLD BUSINESS

- A. Administrative Contracts for 2017-18
 - 1. Brenda Clarke

2. David Creamer

Trustee Sandry told the board the administrative contracts for Mrs. Clarke and Mr. Creamer were unintentionally misrepresented at the last board meeting. Mrs. Clarke is receiving a 2% salary increase instead of the 3.25% offered other administrators to help align her salary with the admin salary procedure. Mr. Creamer's contract has a 0% increase because he didn't meet the requirements in his previous contract. Board discussion followed.

A motion to approve the Administrative Contracts for 2017-18 as proposed was made by Trustee Landon, seconded by Trustee Martinz, and approved by unanimous vote of the elementary school and high school trustees.

NEW BUSINESS

A. Approval of 2017-18 Transportation Routes- Mr. Jensen asked the board to approve the transportation routes for 2017-18. There are no major changes from the previous year.

A motion to approve the Transportation Routes for 2017-18 as proposed was made by Trustee Anderson, seconded by Trustee Whitney, and approved by unanimous vote of the elementary school and high school trustees.

Mr. Creamer thanked Trustee Anderson, the full board and the administration for their role in the stability of the coaching staff.

Mr. Jensen talked to the trustees about the future meeting schedule. There are 2 positions he would like to administratively approve until the August 23 board meeting. He will send out the recommendations as soon as he has them and will call a board meeting if the trustees deem it necessary.

FUTURE MEETING SCHEULE

All School Board meetings are held at 5 pm in the High School Room 104, unless otherwise noted.

- August 23, 2017
- September 13, 217
- October 11, 2017
- November 8, 2017
- December 13, 2017
- January 10, 2018
- o February 14, 2018
- o March 14, 2018
- o April 11, 2018
- o May 9, 2018

Adjourned: 5:22 pm

o June 13, 2018

A motion to <u>adjourn</u> was made by Trustee Anderson, seconded by Trustee Landon, and **approved** by unanimous vote of the elementary and high school trustees.

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District Clerk	Chairperson	

BIGFORK SCHOOLS Reconciliation Report for 06/01/17 to 06/30/17

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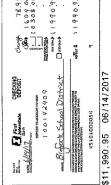
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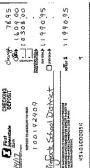
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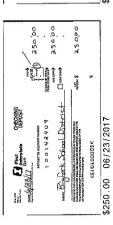


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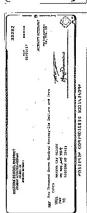




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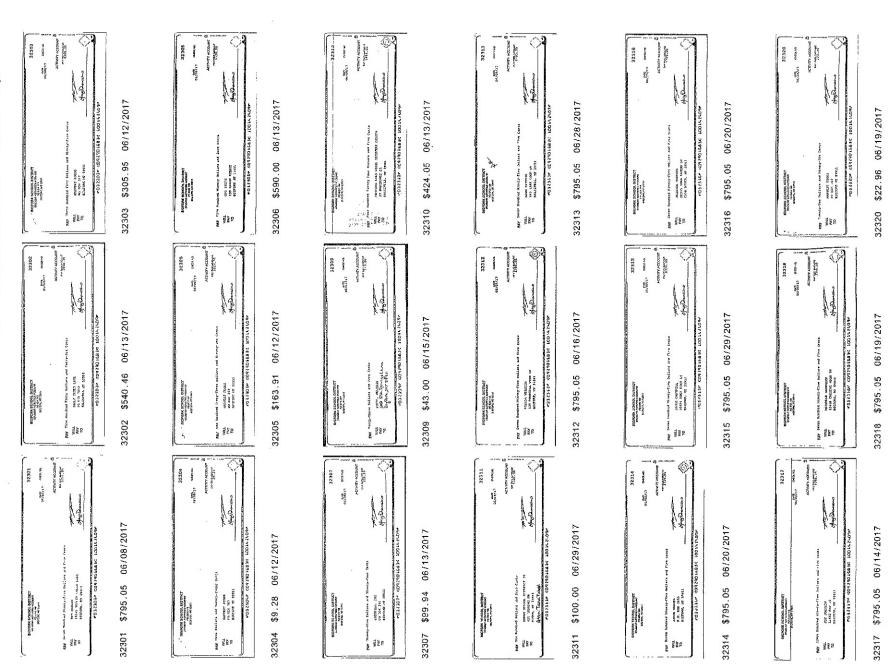
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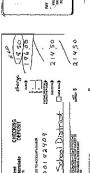
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Richy C. Sass

Bigfork School Administration Bigfork School District 600 Commerce St. Bigfork, MT 59911

Dear Mr. Matt Jensen, Rob Tracy and Bigfork School Board,

Please accept this letter of resignation from Bigfork School District as school bus driver. My last day of employment will be August 16, 2017.

Thank you so much for sixteen excellent years at your school. I have worked alongside many wonderful and caring school bus drivers, aides, teachers, administration and of course students. Many of these students have enriched my life by allowing me to share in their school year adventures. The genuine love and understanding shown my special needs daughter Meisa and myself in our unusual work situation is a testament to the caring and character of my many friends, many of you I truly consider family.

To quickly clear up any misunderstandings of my situation, I would like to make the following statements. I am not quitting because of health issues and I am not being forced out of employment. Rob Tracy and Matt Jensen have been nothing but supportive and understanding of my situation. I choose to leave at this time because I feel God calling me in a different direction. I plan to remain as connected as I can be to Bigfork School District in the future.

I will never forget my time at Bigfork School District and the relationships I treasure there. Please let me know if you need any assistance with this transition.

All the best,

Greg Wasell

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Lacey Porrovecchio

From: Matt Porrovecchio

Sent: Monday, July 03, 2017 1:52 PM

To: Matt Jensen

Cc: Alison Wallen; Lacey Porrovecchio **Subject:** Paraprofessional Recommendations

Dear Mr. Jensen,

I would like to recommend **Ms. Rachel Jeffords** to serve as **paraprofessional** for Bigfork Schools. Rachel has 10 years of experience working with individuals with special needs. She spent the 2015-2016 school year supporting autistic children at the Evergreen Preschool where she was described as a skilled and gifted member of the support staff. Her most recent work experience was with the Child Development Center (CDC) where she worked as a Autistic trainer/teacher. Rachel's work background will make her a great addition to our staff.

I would also like to recommend **Mrs. Crystal Dahlman** to serve as **paraprofessional** for Bigfork Schools. Crystal graduated from the University of Montana - Western with a Broadfield Art Degree with an emphasis in pottery and printmaking. In addition to her education background, past employers and coworkers describe Crystal as going above and beyond in her work, able to handle difficult situation, and caring and compassionate in her interactions with others. Crystal will be a great addition to our staff.

Thank you for your consideration.

Matt Porrovecchio



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August 9, 2017

Board of Trustees:

I would like to recommend hiring Ms. Shannon Varner as the High School/Elementary secretary. Our new secretary will be splitting time between buildings working on common tasks such as arranging substitutes and processing purchase requests. Shannon impressed us during the interview with her communication skills as she provided open and honest answers and engaged dialogue that was warm and welcoming. Her references confirmed that she has excellent communications skills in professional and customer service environments. Her references also spoke highly of Shannon's ability to handle high-pressure schedules, her skills at multi-tasking, and that she is an excellent learner.

We feel that Shannon's excellent communications skills, her commitment to high quality work, and her ability to accept new challenges will make her an excellent addition to Bigfork School District's secretarial staff. Please accept my recommendation to hire Ms. Shannon Varner as the new High School/Elementary secretary.

Sincerely,

Alan Robbins

Lacey Porrovecchio

From: Matt Jensen

Sent: Friday, August 11, 2017 3:57 PM

To: Trustees

Cc: Lacey Porrovecchio

Subject: Personnel Recommendations **Attachments:** 20170811153648041.pdf

Trustees,

During the last meeting, I mentioned we would have some personnel hiring recommendations prior to the scheduled August 23rd meeting. I would like to administratively approve the following, so that they could get started with their respective assignments. If you would like for me to schedule another meeting for these folks, please let me know by the end of the day Monday, August 14th. Also, if you would like to have a meeting, please let me know if you have a preference between Tuesday the 15th or Wednesday the 16th.

Thanks Matt J

Roger Vanlandingham

Food Service Director

I would like to recommend Mr. Vanlandingham for the position of Food Service Director. Roger has many years of experience as a successful chef and business owner. He currently owns and operates Sriracha Thai Wok in Kalispell and prior to that, served as the Chef of Tamarack Alehouse and Grill in Lakeside. Roger is eager to take on the position and I believe possesses the knowledge and creativity to grow the program.

Mrs. Kirby is leaving big shoes to fill, but I believe Roger has what it takes to fill the void. He will be immediately tasked with reorganizing the existing staff and menu to accommodate the opening of the high school serving areas.

From Mr. McGill (Ricky Sass has submitted her retirement notification)

Lisa Campbell

Custodian

I would like to recommend Lisa Campbell to fill the custodial position. Lisa has subbed at the district and proven she can follow direction, pays attention to what needs to be done and is a great team player. Lisa is not scared to get her hands dirty and has a medical background from her experience with Bigfork QRU, so she pays attention to areas needing disinfecting. I feel Lisa would be a great addition to our custodial team.

From Mr. Robbins and Mrs. Clark Shannon Varner High School/Elementary Secretary Recommendation is attached

From Mr. Creamer

Josh Feller

Asssistant Volleyball Coach (JV)

Please consider Josh for the position of JV Volleyball Coach/Assistant Head Coach at Bigfork High School. Josh is a teacher at BHS and has coached wrestling and track in Bigfork. Although he has never coached volleyball before, he has an opportunity

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Jim Blow

Assistant Volleyball Coach (Volunteer)

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Lacey Porrovecchio

From: David Creamer

Sent: Tuesday, August 15, 2017 12:31 PM

To: Lacey Porrovecchio **Subject:** Recommendations

Lacey,

Here are some more recommendations and a note about a previous recommendation. Let me know what else you need.

Rick Baird

7th Grade Volleyball Coach

Please consider Rick Baird for the position of 7th grade Volleyball Coach at BMS once again this year. Rick is a retired librarian at BHS and a BHS grad. His daughter, Schuyler, is the head Volleyball Coach at BHS. Rick knows the sport of volleyball extremely well and is the perfect addition to the Middle School program, as our priority is teaching fundamentals at that level. He is extremely organized and flexible for the changes that are inherent in Middle School sports. He has also coached this same group of girls in basketball.

Brian Truckey

Assistant Boys' Soccer Coach

Please consider Brian Truckey for the position of Assistant Boys' Soccer Coach at BHS. Brian has coached wrestling at track at Bigfork, and has volunteered and worked in several other capacities in the District. He is energetic and knowledgeable about Soccer. He will provide much needed assistance for Coach Feise, who was operating on his own.

Tyson Roe

Assistant High School Football Coach

Mr. Roe was initially approved as a volunteer assistant coach. One of the paid positions came available in recent weeks as Ed Buttrey will be pursuing an opportunity that may take him away from the program from time to time. Ed will stay involved as a volunteer, but has offered his stipend to Mr. Roe, who will be around daily and would coach the JV team along with Coach Epperly. We indicated early this summer that this may be a possibility.

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Lacey Porrovecchio

From: Lacey Porrovecchio

Sent: Tuesday, August 01, 2017 6:42 AM

To: Lacey Porrovecchio **Subject:** FW: Recommendations

From: David Creamer <dcreamer@bigfork.k12.mt.us>

Date: Monday, July 31, 2017 at 12:20 PM

Subject: Recommendations

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August 16, 2017

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Board of Trustees:

I would like to recommend Mr. Thomas Mouch as a K-12 substitute teacher for Bigfork School District. Mr. Mouch is a retired Social Studies teacher from Ohio with 25 years of teaching and coaching experience. He impressed me during his interview as one of special teachers that students would gravitate to. He wants to return to the school as a substitute because he sincerely misses being in schools with kids. Mr. Mouch has a very calm demeanor but also conveys that he is very much in control. He has good intuition with kids and adults and comes across as one who is very genuine. I am excited that Mr. Mouch wants to serve as a substitute in our building and am confident that he will be one of our top substitutes as teachers become aware of his background and skill set. His passion for teaching, his calm demeanor, and his love of kids will make him an excellent substitute for Bigfork School District.

Sincerely,

Álan Robbins

Bigfork High School Principal

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Board of Trustees:

I would like to recommend Mr. Henry Maher as a 6-12 substitute teacher for Bigfork School District. Mr. Maher graduated last spring from U.M. Missoula with a teaching degree in Secondary English and Theatre Arts. He will be living in Bigfork this year and is excited about continuing working with kids as a substitute teacher. Mr. Maher impressed me during his interview with his reflective nature coupled with a sincere love of working with kids. His passion is Theatre Arts and he almost seemed to approach his view of the classroom and interaction with students as a director approaches working with their cast of actors. He has a warm engaging approach with his communication while having a logical and sequential approach to solving problems or challenges. He has worked with kids in his student teaching setting, as a camp counselor, and during his required college field experiences. I believe that Mr. Maher's education as a teacher, his strong desire to work with kids, and his warm nature will make him an excellent substitute for Bigfork School District.

Sincerely,

Alan Robbins

Bigfork High School Principal

August 16, 2017

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Board of Trustees:

I would like to recommend Heather Steiner as a K-12 substitute teacher for Bigfork School District. Ms. Steiner has a Masters degree in Sociology/Criminology from the University of Montana and she is also a certified substance abuse counselor. She has experience working in school as a substitute teacher, soccer coach, volleyball coach, and as a parent volunteer. Ms. Steiner has a passion for working with kids and especially loves working with teenagers. In her words, she likes the rebellious nature of teenagers and finds time spent with them to be very enjoyable. Her educational background, previous experience as a substitute, and passion for teenagers will make her a very valuable substitute for our district. I can envision Ms. Steiner being one of our substitutes that teachers frequently request and I have full confidence that she will fully implement all of a teachers daily lesson plan.

Sincerely,

Alan Robbins

Bigfork High School Principal

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August 17, 2017

To: Board of Directors

From: Rob Tracy

Subject: Thad Clock

I am requesting the Board approve Thad Clock be hired to drive for District activities as needed. Thad is owner of Clock Enterprises and is currently a contract driver on Rte.10. With the retirement of one driver plus a shortage of bus drivers all over the Valley, I am forced to draw from our pool of contract drivers.

Rob Tracy