

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 13, 2022, at 5:00 pm in the high school library.

Trustees in attendance: Anderson, Sandry, Martinz, Kreiman, Relyea & Woods

Trustees absent: Elwell

Also in attendance were Superintendent Tom Stack, Business Manager Lacey Porrovecchio, Principal Mark Hansen, Special Education Director/Athletic Director Matt Porrovecchio, staff members and community members.

Pledge of Allegiance

Board Chair Sandry told the board Trustee Martinz submitted her letter of resignation. He thanked her for her service to the district since 2014. Trustee Martinz thanked the board, staff and community.

Comments on non-agenda items:

Sara Peterson read a statement to the board regarding a letter written by a student about her experience with racism at Bigfork School District. She wanted the board to be aware of the pain the student suffered.

Connie Ciabatoni had questions regarding free school lunches and if free school lunch is related to CRT. Mr. Stack told her the USDA is not doing free school lunches for all students next year and it is not related to Critical Race Theory. Ms. Ciabatoni had questions on the bills list and workshop discussion items including teacher housing and land purchases. Board Chair Sandry explained those were discussion items and are not considerations at this time.

Trustee Woods told Ms. Peterson he was shocked and disappointed when he read the letter written by the student.

Trustee Anderson expressed similar sentiment regarding the letter.

Trustee Relyea told the board the problems detailed in the student letter have happened to other students as well.

A motion to approve the agenda was made by Trustee Anderson, seconded by Trustee Woods, and approved by unanimous vote of the elementary and high school trustees.

A motion to approve the consent agenda was made by Trustee Kreiman, seconded by Trustee Relyea, and approved by unanimous vote of the elementary and high school trustees.

- Consideration of Board Meeting Minutes for June 29, 2022
- Consideration of All Bill Approval Lists
- Consideration of \$10,040 Donation from Bigfork Rotary Foundation, Inc. for Unfunded Athletics
- Consideration of \$1000 Donation from Reach Higher Montana for Shot Clocks
- Consideration of Individual Transportation Contracts for School Year 2022-23 – Two pre-school students to Evergreen
- Consideration of Transportation Interlocal Agreements for the Transportation of Students for School Year 2022-23
 1. Swan River School District
 2. Salmon Prairie School District
 3. Somers School District
- Consideration of Personnel – *Any offer of employment is contingent upon receipt of satisfactory criminal history background check and for some positions receipt of satisfactory pre-employment screening.*
 1. Extra-Curricular Personnel Recommended for Consideration
 - a. Sam Moderman, Assistant Cross Country Coach (split stipend)

- b. James Steyee, Assistant Cross Country Coach (split stipend)
 - c. Josh Feller, Junior Varsity Volleyball Coach
 - d. Logan Swenson, Freshman Volleyball Coach
 - e. Adam Jordt, Assistant Football Coach
 - f. Tristen Clark, Assistant Football Coach
 - g. Connor Coleman, Assistant Football Coach
 - h. Ed Buttrey, Assistant Football Coach
2. Extra-Curricular Volunteers Recommended for Consideration
- a. Jessica Johnson, Cross Country
 - b. Eric Thorness, High School Football
 - c. Dustin Hinzman, High School Football
 - d. Trevor Rehm, High School Football

OLD BUSINESS

A. Board Policies – Second Reading

1. Policy 3231 – Search and Seizure – Trustee Woods told the board he reviewed the policy and it's in line with other districts.

A motion to approve Board Policy 3231 was made by Trustee Woods, seconded by Trustee Kreiman, and approved with unanimous votes of the elementary and high school trustees.

2. Policy 3300 – Suspension and Expulsion, Corrective Actions and Punishment – Trustee Woods explained the first offense would no longer require a board discipline hearing.

Board discussion followed.

A motion to approve Board Policy 3300 was made by Trustee Anderson, seconded by Trustee Woods, and approved with affirmative votes from Trustees Kreiman, Martinz, Anderson and Woods. Trustees Relyea and Sandry opposed.

Breanna Jensen told trustees she appreciated her daughter going before the board on her first offense.

3. Policy 8225 – Tobacco Free Policy – Trustee Woods said he is in support of a tobacco free campus.

A motion to approve Board Policy 8225 was made by Trustee Anderson, seconded by Trustee Woods, and approved with unanimous vote of the elementary and high school trustees.

B. Elementary Vape Sensors

C. Elementary Camera System

Superintendent Stack explained the elementary vape sensors and camera system were tabled at the last meeting.

Board discussion followed.

A motion to approve Elementary Vape Sensors was made by Trustee Kreiman, seconded by Trustee Anderson, and approved with affirmative votes from Trustees Anderson, Relyea and Kreiman. Trustees Sandry and Woods opposed.

A motion to approve Elementary Camera System was made by Trustee Relyea, seconded by Trustee Kreiman, and approved with affirmative votes from Trustees Anderson, Kreiman and Relyea. Trustees Sandry and Woods opposed.

NEW BUSINESS

- A. 2022-23 Cooperative Sports/Activities Agreement with Swan River School District – Mr. Porrovecchio told the board the agreement is similar to the last couple of years. The agreement allows Swan River students to participate in certain middle school athletics in exchange for allowing leave days for Swan River staff who coach at Bigfork School District.

A motion to approve 2022-23 Cooperative Sports/Activities Agreement with Swan River School District was made by Trustee Anderson, seconded by Trustee Woods, and approved with unanimous votes of the elementary and high school trustees.

- B. Board Policies – First Reading
1. Policy 8124 – Student Conduct on Buses
 2. Policy 2132 – Surveys-General

Mr. Stack told trustees Policy 8124 was recommended at a conference Mr. Walker attended. The policy is similar to the current policy but addresses seatbelts.

Trustee Woods said Policy 2132 was updated to reflect Federal law.

The future meeting schedule was discussed. The August board meeting was moved to August 18th.

Connie Ciabatonni confirmed the Finance Committee meeting on August 11. She asked how Trustee Martinz will be replaced. Board Chair Sandry told her the board will look for interested parties from Trustee Martinz' district.

There were no Committee Reports.

PRINCIPAL REPORTS

Mr. Hansen gave a brief report on the workshop held at the high school.

Mr. Porrovecchio spoke about the number of post season trophies earned by student athletes last school year.

SUPERINTENDENT REPORT

Mr. Stack told the board they will not see Transportation Interlocal Agreements with Kalispell and Creston. The agreements are not necessary, and the county superintendent agrees. He asked Trustees Anderson and Kreiman to meet with him after the meeting to look at extending the parking lot. He told trustees he plans to schedule a quick meeting in early August to approve fall assistant coaches and volunteers.

FUTURE MEETING SCHEDULE

All School Board meetings are held at 5 pm in the high school library, unless otherwise noted.

- o Wednesday, August 17, 2022
- o Wednesday, September 14, 2022
- o Wednesday, October 12, 2022
- o Wednesday, November 9, 2022
- o Wednesday, December 14, 2022
- o Wednesday, January 11, 2023
- o Wednesday, February 8, 2023
- o Wednesday, March 8, 2023
- o Wednesday, April 12, 2023
- o Wednesday, May 10, 2023

A motion to adjourn was made by Trustee Anderson seconded by Trustee Kreiman, and **approved** by unanimous vote of the elementary and high school trustees.

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Adjourned: 5:39 pm

District Clerk

Chairperson