

*****08-09 MINUTES*****

**St. Regis School
December 10th, 2008**

The meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m. by Chairman Dunlap.

>>>Board Roll Call<<<

H = Here

A = Absent

P = Partial

H- Ken Jasper
H- Shelly Dunlap
H- Jolie Skelton
A- Tina Dockter
H-Jackie Sanford

H- Patty Kero, Superintendent
H- Don Almquist, Principal
H-Tina Hill, Clerk

>>>Visitors<<<

Visitors (according to Sign-in sheet): Diane Gingerich, Kassie Perkins, Terri Barclay, Jim Martin, Jacki Gorshe

>>>Public Forum<<<

The chairman made the following statement, "Public Forum is an opportunity to discuss items that are not on the agenda. These items may not be voted on by the board, however. Also, a reminder that individual's right-to-privacy laws usually exceed the public's right-to-know, therefore prohibiting any discussions of individual performance during the public forum section, or any other time during the meeting."

>>>Minutes<<<

A motion was made by Trustee Jasper and seconded by Trustee Skelton to approve the minutes of the November 12th meeting.

Motion carries 4-0

A motion was made by Trustee Jasper and seconded by Trustee Skelton to approve the minutes of the November 19th meeting.

Motion carries 4-0

>>>Activity Accounts<

A motion was made by Trustee Jasper and seconded by Trustee Sanford to approve activity accounts with an ending balance of **\$18406.76 check number 4986 to 5010**.

Motion carries 4-0

>>>Finance committee Report<<<

The Finance Committee gave their report and noted that the activity accounts has 20 outstanding checks. The voided checks for payroll were numbers 23289-23292, 23299, 23310, 23312, 23314, 23328, 23352, 23353, 23357-23359. All expenses were coded correctly.

Trustee Dockter and Trustee Sanford resigned from the finance committee. There were no volunteers.

>>>Payroll and Bills<<<

A motion was made by Trustee Skelton and seconded by Trustee Sanford to approve the Payroll Warrants from number **23289 to 23370**, and Claim Warrants from number **33165 to 33223**.

Motion Carries 4-0

>>>Old Business<<<

1. Policy Update – MTSBA (2nd reading)

Policy 2161P – Special Education

A motion was made by Trustee Skelton and seconded by Trustee Sanford to adopt policy 2161P on the second reading

Motion Carries 4-0

Policy 2333 – Participation in Commencement Exercises

A motion was made by Trustee Skelton and seconded by Trustee Sanford to approve policy 2333 on the second reading

Motion Carries 4-0

Policy 2410 – High School Graduation Requirements

The Board asked Superintendent Kero to check with MTSBA on the feasibility of changing line 11 to reflect what the District's actual graduation requirements are. This policy will be on the next agenda for a 3rd reading.

Policy 3310 – Student Discipline

The sentence on page 2, lines 33 and 34, needs to be removed due to redundancy.

A motion was made by Trustee Sanford and seconded by Trustee Skelton to approve policy 3310 with the changes.

Motion Carries 4-0

2. Policy 2115 – Class Schedule (2nd reading)

The alternative policy listed in the next agenda item was also talked about due to the fact that they cover the same policy.

Trustee Skelton asked the board, staff, administration, and audience, what specifically is causing the reservations to this policy. The response was that during the staff meeting,

the general feeling was that the alternative policy was the most appropriate of the two policies. Chairman Dunlap felt that the 1st policy helped to explain and laid out the criteria for a class schedule. Trustee Jasper supported the alternate policy because he felt that the overall position of the board was to take a step back.

It was decided that the original Policy 2115 would be removed from any future agendas, and that the alternate policy 2115 would be placed on the next agenda for a 2nd reading.

>>>New Business<<<

1. Policy 2115 – Class Schedule - Alternate

Place on agenda for 2nd reading.

2. Policy 1135, 1135P – School Board Advocacy

Advocacy training meetings will be on Thursdays in Missoula. Trustee Jasper agreed to be the Board Legislative Contact to the MTSBA.

This item will be on the next agenda for a 2nd reading.

3. Hiring – Extracurricular Contracts

The Administration recommended all of the following individuals to be hired for the following positions.

Annual Staff Advisor – Jacki Almquist

A motion was made by Trustee Sanford and seconded by Trustee Skelton to hire Jacki Almquist as the Annual Staff Advisor.

Motion Carries 3-0 (Trustee Jasper abstained)

Honor Society Advisor – Jacki Almquist

A motion was made by Trustee Skelton and seconded by Trustee Sanford to hire Jacki Almquist as the Honor Society Advisor.

Motion Carries 3-0 (Trustee Jasper abstained)

Junior Class Advisor – Jim Martin

A motion was made by Trustee Sanford and seconded by Trustee Skelton to hire Jim Martin as the Junior Class Advisor

Motion Carries 4-0

BPA Advisor – Kassie Perkins

A motion was made by Trustee Sanford and seconded by Trustee Skelton to hire Kassie Perkins as the BPA Advisor.

Motion Carries 3-0 (Trustee Jasper abstained)

T.S.A. Advisor – Dave Jensen

A motion was made by Trustee Sanford and seconded by Trustee Skelton to hire Dave Jensen as the TSA Advisor

Motion Carries 4-0

4. Approval of Substitute List

Phyllis Shepard and Janelle Pruitt have completed the necessary paperwork to be added to the substitute list, and the Administration recommends that they be added.

A motion was made by Trustee Jasper and seconded by Trustee Sanford to add Janelle Pruitt and Phyllis Shepard to the sub list.

Motion Carries 4-0

5. Approval of extended time – Anita Bailey

Superintendent Kero asked the Board to extend Anita Bailey's time in the music department by nine days in order to overlap with the arrival of the new music teacher, Mary Johnston.

A motion was made by Trustee Jasper and seconded by Trustee Skelton to approve the extended time for Anita Bailey.

Motion Carries 4-0

6. Hiring Gifted and Talented Coordinator – Kern Wilson

Superintendent Kero recommended that Kern Wilson be hired for this position. The stipend amount is \$2300. The Board would like to see a job description at the next meeting due to it being a new position.

A motion was made by Trustee Jasper and seconded by Trustee Sanford to hire Kern Wilson as the Gifted and Talented coordinator.

Motion Carries 4-0

7. Hiring 21st Century – Marie Snodgrass, Keith Moyer

A motion was made by Trustee Sanford and seconded by Trustee Skelton to hire Marie Snodgrass and Keith Moyer for the 21st century program.

Skelton commented that it was nice to see programs that support the academic program.

Motion Carries 4-0

8. Instruction Strategies Contract Approval – PIR days – Jane Payne

A contract has not been received from Jane. Superintendent Kero will contact her again. This contract will be funded out of Title.

A motion was made by Trustee Jasper and seconded by Trustee Sanford to hire Jane Payne for the PIR day on January 19th .

Motion Carries 4-0

>>>Information/Discussion Items<<<

A. Katie Gobel – OPI Consultant

Katie was here yesterday and observed breakfast and lunch. She will be coming back next Wednesday to observe the salad bar process. She has over 20 years experience as a school cook, and comes highly recommended. She will be providing the District with a final report.

B. Communication Arts Committee

Christine Kuschel was here yesterday as well, and will come again on January 13th. Once the document is complete, it will be given to all that teach communication arts.

Not all classes were represented at this meeting, but it was offered to all.

Trustee Skelton suggested that a part-time preschool be considered. This item will probably be part of the strategic plan, and funding information would be helpful for the discussion. This item will be placed on the February agenda as a discussion item

>>>Administrative Report<<<

*The winter concert is December 17th at 6:00 p.m., and the Tiger Tail tournament is this weekend.

*Cameras may be installed over the Christmas break.

*The Board asked about the need for tire chips under all of the play structures. Principal Almquist will check into that.

>>>Set Next Meeting/Adjourn<<<

The next regular meeting will be January 14th at 6 p.m. in Room 107. The meeting was adjourned by Chairman Dunlap at 7:18 p.m.

District Clerk

Board Chairperson