

Browning Public Schools  
**Board Agenda Request**  
 Meeting to Be Held: July 11, 2017



- Recognition:**    Students                       Staff                       Parents
- Information:**    Building Report                       Old Business                       Superintendent's Report
- Action:**    Resignation                       Hiring                       Contract Service Agreements
- Travel Out-of-State                       Travel In State                       Approvals
- Termination                       Legal Matters                       Other:
- This action request pertains to  Elementary (only)                       High School/District Wide

**Date:**    07/3/17

**To:**        **Mr. Rouse**  
                   Superintendent

**From:**    Wayne Hall  
                   Title:    Transportation Supervisor

**Subject:** **Permission for Heart Butte School Bus to Enter District #9 Route #2 2017-18 SY**

**Description:** Heart Butte bus enters our district on route #2 to pick up students to attend school in Heart Butte. Route 2 is the Old Agency route. Route 2 comes approximately 16 miles into our district on the old agency road.

**Justification:** I have been approached by the Blackfeet Tribe on working together with surrounding communities in the best of our children. I am recommending that the Board of Trustees reconsider the request to approve the Heart Butte route #2 in the best interest of our students to promote positive relationships.

**Financial Impact:** We do not have to pay individual transportation contracts to the students who ride these routes. This saves us money and we do not have to operate a bus for these areas, which are quite a long distance for us.

**Funding Source (Budget/grant, etc.):** NA

**Attachment(s):** Permission Letter for Heart Butte buses entering district 9

**Approval:** Superintendent's Office/Finance/Personnel as applicable (Initial) \_\_\_\_\_

**Comments:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Board Action:**    N/A (Info)     Approved     Denied     Tabled to: \_\_\_\_\_

# Heart Butte School

School District No. 1 • Pondera County

July 7, 2017

Board of Trustee's  
Browning School District

RE: Bus Route

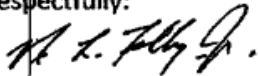
Dear Board of Trustee's

Earlier this year your board voted to deny us access across your district lines to transport students on the Old Agency and Little Badger Rd. routes. We have been running this route and transporting students from this area since at least 1959. The parents have become accustomed to this service and their children attending Heart Butte Schools.

This program has always enhanced the good will between our two districts and has created a spirit of open communication and cooperation. We have confidence that the parents will make arrangements to continue their attendance here at Heart Butte and we believe that your reconsideration of this decision would enhance our working together in the future and relieve many parents on this route anguish. Just recently Heart Butte has demonstrated its willingness to cooperate with Browning Schools by providing transportation for your Gear-Up students to attend an event that your transportation could not meet. We plan to continue to work with Browning Schools to enhance the educational experiences for all of our students.

We are hoping that your reconsideration will be positive and that we will be able to continue the long tradition of transporting these students. Thank you for looking at this issue again.

Respectfully:



V. Lee Folley  
Superintendent



Merlin Running Crane  
Director of Transportation



Janet Running Crane  
Trustee



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School District No. 1 • Pondera County

April 5<sup>th</sup>, 2017

Browning School Board  
Browning Public School  
PO Box 610  
Browning, MT 59417

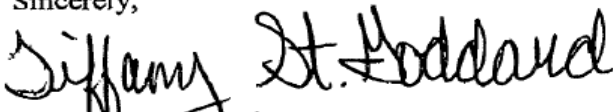
Dear School Board,

Heart Butte School is respectfully requesting your permission to come into your district to pick up students who are attending Heart Butte School.

Heart Butte School Route 2 or Old Agency, we pick up Leo Kipp, Tristan Kipp, Alia Heavy Runner, Wendell Main, Shealynn Arrow Top Knot, Blaise Arrow Top Knot and Naytoyi Kipp-Jackson. Our turn around spot is at Kipp's.

Thank you for your consideration and please contact me anytime if you have any questions at 406-338-3344 ext. 225 or email at [tiffanys@heartbutte.k12.mt.us](mailto:tiffanys@heartbutte.k12.mt.us).

Sincerely,



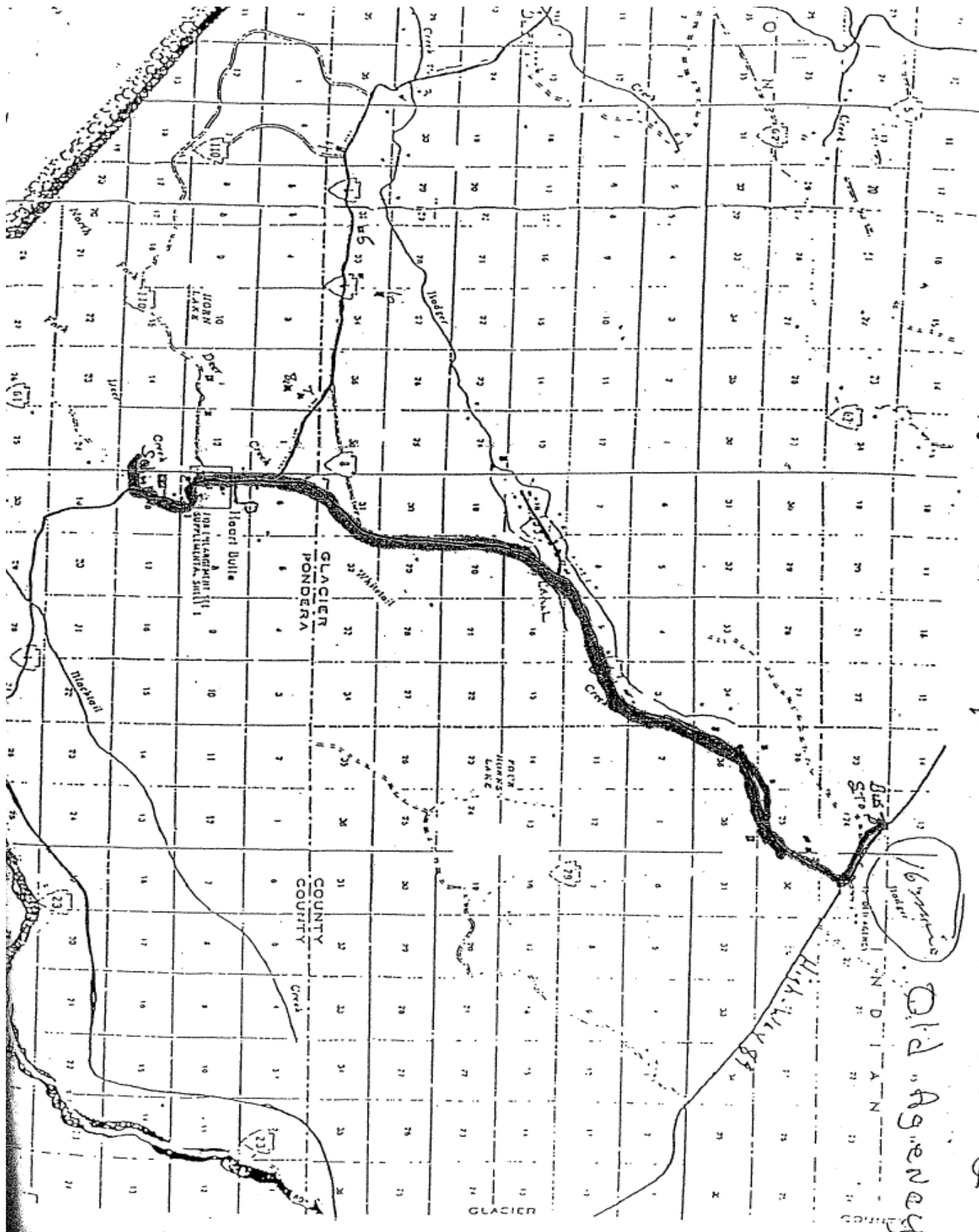
Tiffany St. Goddard  
Business Manager/District Clerk

C.C: Heart Butte School Board

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APPROVED - Chairperson of the Board of Trustees  
Browning Public Schools, District #9



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16 miles one way

Route # 2

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Old Agency