

Regular Board Minutes

Tuesday, December 14, 2021 @ 12:00 PM (Noon Only)
Hosted Browning Middle School-Consumer Science Room

Present: Brian Gallup-Chair, Mistee RidesAtTheDoor, Donna Yellow Owl, Steve Coway, Brenda Croff, James Evans, Kristy Bullshoe, Rae TallWhiteman.

Mr. Gallup called the meeting to order at 12:05 p.m.

ITEMS OF ACTION

Hiring: Motion by Ms. Croff to approve the following hiring pending successful background check/drug test: Jacilyn Racine, Family Engagement Coordinator 2021-2022 (\$35,000 to be pro-rated); Jonnell Armstrong, Child Care Aide; William Lawrence, Custodian-BES and Wakiyawin Shawl, BMS Assistant Cross-Country Coach 2021-2022 (\$860.00). Second by Mr. Evans. No public participation. No Board discussion. Motion passed with Brian Gallup, Mistee RidesAtTheDoor, Donna Yellow Owl, Steve Coway, James Evans, Kristy Bullshoe, Rae TallWhiteman voting for. Brenda Croff abstained from vote for Jacilyn Racine, Family Engagement Coordinator.

Motion by Mr. Conway to approve the following hiring pending successful background check/drug tests: Jaycilyn Racine, BHS Assistant Winter Cheerleading Coach 2021-2022 (\$2,064.00); Katherine Nomee, BHS Assistant Winter Cheerleading Coach 2021-2022(\$2,064.00) and Taylor Crawford, High School ELA Teacher 2021-2022 (\$25,106.00). Second by Ms. Bullshoe. No public participation. No Board discussion. Motion passed with Brian Gallup, Mistee RidesAtTheDoor, Donna Yellow Owl, Steve Coway, James Evans, Kristy Bullshoe, Rae TallWhiteman voting for. Brenda Croff abstained from vote for Jacilyn Racine, BHS Assistant Winter Cheerleading Coach.

Contract Service Agreements: Motion by Ms. Yellow Owl to approve the following contract service agreements pending successful background checks: Willamina Tailfeathers, BNAS Book Study 2021-2022 (\$220.00); Shalea Tatsey, BNAS Book Study 2021-2022 (\$220.00); Joselyn Big Throat, BNAS Book Study 2021-2022 (\$220.00); Samantha Grant, BNAS Book Study 2021-2022 (\$220.00); Anita Crow Shoe, BNAS Book Study 2021-2022 (\$220.00) and Art West Wolf, BNAS Book Study 2021-2022 (\$220.00). Second by Ms. Croff. No public participation. No Board discussion. Motion passed with Brian Gallup, Brenda Croff, Donna Yellow Owl, Steve Coway, James Evans, Kristy Bullshoe, Rae TallWhiteman voting for. Ms. RidesAtTheDoor abstained from vote for Shalea Tatsey, BNAS Book Study.

Motion by Ms. Yellow Owl to approve the following contract service agreements pending successful background checks: Katie McDonald, Wellness Coach-Blackfeet Academy 2021-2022 (\$2,000.00); Kevin Kicking Woman, BNAS Book Study 2021-2022 (\$220.00) and Leo Bird, BNAS Book Study 2021-2022 (\$220.00). Second by Mr. Evans. No public participation. No Board discussion. Motion passed with Brian Gallup, Brenda Croff, Donna Yellow Owl, Steve Coway, James Evans, Kristy Bullshoe, Rae TallWhiteman voting for. Ms. RidesAtTheDoor abstained from vote for Leo Bird, BNAS Book Study.

Motion by Mr. Conway to approve the following contract service agreements pending successful background checks: Lea Whitford, BNAS Book Study 2021-2022 (\$220.00); Robert Hall, BNAS Book Study 2021-2022 (\$220.00); Jennifer Brown-DuBray, Beading for Staff Appreciation 2021-2022 (\$750.00 and Brenda Guardipee, First Aid/CPR Class-Transportation 2021-2022 (\$420.00). Second by Ms. Yellow Owl. No public participation. No Board discussion. Motion passed with Brian Gallup, Brenda Croff, Donna Yellow Owl, Steve Conway, James Evans, Kristy Bullshoe, Rae TallWhiteman voting for. Ms. RidesAtTheDoor abstained from vote for Robert Hall, BNAS Book Study 2021-2022 (\$220.00).

Out of State Travel: Motion by Ms. Croff to approve out of state travel for Carson Bryant, Chase Nevarez, Jessica Racine, 2022 Plain Talk About Literacy & Learning in New Orleans, LA (\$2,869.00 ea) and Sicily Bird and Edith Wagner, 2022 Educators Conference in Las Vegas NV(\$2,278.12). Second by Mr. Conway. No public participation. No Board discussion. Motion passed with Brian Gallup, Ms. RidesAtTheDoor, Brenda Croff, Donna Yellow Owl, Steve Conway, James Evans, Kristy Bullshoe, Rae TallWhiteman voting for.

Motion by Ms. Croff to approve out of state travel for Brian Gallup, 2021-2022 NAFIS Board of Directors Winter Meeting in Miami, FL (\$380.88). Second by Ms. Yellow Owl. No public participation. No Board discussion. Motion passed with Brian Gallup, Ms. RidesAtTheDoor, Brenda Croff, Donna Yellow Owl, Steve Conway, James Evans, Kristy Bullshoe, Rae TallWhiteman voting for.

In State Travel: Motion by Mr. Evans to approve in state travel for William Huesbch, Montana Principals Conference in Bozeman, MT (\$1,086.88). Second by Ms. Bullshoe. No public participation. No Board discussion. Motion passed with Brian Gallup, Ms. RidesAtTheDoor, Brenda Croff, Donna Yellow Owl, Steve Conway, James Evans, Kristy Bullshoe, Rae TallWhiteman voting for.

Motion by Ms. Croff to approve in state travel for Crystal Tailfeathers, Federal Grant Training in Billings, MT (\$525.76). Second by Mr. Evans. No public participation. No Board discussion. Motion passed with Brian Gallup, Ms. RidesAtTheDoor, Brenda Croff, Donna Yellow Owl, Steve Conway, James Evans, Kristy Bullshoe, Rae TallWhiteman voting for.

Approvals: Motion by Mr. Evans to approve the following items: L'Heaureux Page Werner, PC A&E Contract for KWB-VC Connecting Corridor (\$610,000.00); Extended Contracts: Analyzing Student Assessment Data (\$1,014.00 and Extended Contracts: Professional Development for LETRS Curriculum (\$8,065.00). Second by Mr. Conway. No public participation. *Board discussion:* Mr. Conway asked what the total contract amount is for LPW. Mr. Gallup stated it is a fixed amount. Dixie Guardipee stated there was additional that was not in the original agreement. Mr. Gallup asked to get the amount and stated he was sure the amount was discussed/negotiated. No further discussion. Motion passed with Brian Gallup, Ms. RidesAtTheDoor, Brenda Croff, Donna Yellow Owl, James Evans, Kristy Bullshoe, Rae TallWhiteman voting for. Steve Conway opposed to approving L'Heaureux Page Werner, PC A&E Contract for KWB-VC Connecting Corridor until he knows the correct amount.

Motion by Ms. Croff to approve Student Attendance Agreement 2021-2022-Billings and Transfer Drug Free Activities Money to NY's Eve Trip 2021-2022. Second by Mr. Conway. No public participation. No Board discussion. Motion passed with Brian Gallup, Ms. RidesAtTheDoor, Brenda Croff, Donna Yellow Owl, Steve Conway, James Evans, Kristy Bullshoe, Rae TallWhiteman voting for.

Motion by Ms. Yellow Owl to approve the following items: Substitute Eligibility List 2021-2022; BNAS Cultural Consultant 2021-2022; LETRS PD, the Science of Teaching Reading and Writing, Gr PreK-12 2021-2023 (\$35,767.60); Emergency Day: 2 Hour Calamity Pay December 8, 2021 (\$39,634.75); Emergency Day: Calamity Pay December 1, 2021; NAFIS Membership Dues 2021-2022 (\$19,722.00); Purchases Over \$10,000.00; District Claims check #434197 - #434267 (\$145,194.23) i. District Claims Check #434268 - #434322 (\$140,549.86); Student Activities Claims, Check #704726 - 704733 (\$8,119.91) and Cancelled Check #704721 and Additional Pays/Payroll. Second by Ms. Croff. No public participation. *Board discussion:* Superintendent Hall stated that this is for calamity pay for the late school opening and in the future staff will make-up their time or take leave. Motion passed with Brian Gallup, Ms. RidesAtTheDoor, Brenda Croff, Donna Yellow Owl, Steve Conway, James Evans, Kristy Bullshoe, Rae TallWhiteman voting for.

There were no Personnel or Legal Issues.

Approval of Minutes: Motion by Ms. Yellow Owl to approve Special Board Minutes of 11/17/21 and Regular Board Minutes of 11/30/21 with no changes. Second by Ms. Croff. Motion passed.

Approval of Agenda: Motion by Ms. Croff to approve the agenda removing from Personnel: Termination Hearing, Joey Aimsback. Mr. Gallup noted that Action Items were already visited at the beginning of the meeting. Second by Mr. Conway. Motion passed.

ITEMS OF DISCUSSION

Ms. Yellow Owl asked who is allowed to attend the Christmas Presentations in the buildings. Superintendent Hall stated that all are allowed to attend, but must follow school protocol with COVID procedures.

Public Comment: None.

Recognitions/Building Presentations: Staff and students presented the Blackfeet Flag Song. Mr. Huesbch stated that he is very proud of the middle school teachers and what they are doing; they are on a condensed schedule of 22 minutes and students attend all classes. Staff presented on advisory classes with social emotional, IEFA standards, and community-based learning. Staff felt that because of their schedule for Advisory at 12:48 p.m. they can do more for the students and support the district vision/mission. Mr. Huesbch recognized Middle School Counselors Sheila Rutherford, Arlan Edwards, Dana Sure Chief and stated that they are amazing and always on top of BMS events and learning. They are greatly appreciated.

Josephine Hall was recognized by Mr. Huesbch for doing so much for the middle school and being very involved. Ms. Hall is great help to staff and very supportive.

Mr. Huesbch recognized Sarah Kuka, Jace Racine, Kortni Guardipee for being at work every day and in the classrooms, ie. subbing and supporting the teaching staff.

Mr. Gallup acknowledged the following building reports: KW Vina Elementary School-Toni Tatsey; Browning Elementary School-Sheila Hall; Napi Elementary- Sicily Bird; Babb Elementary-Dennis Juneau; Browning Middle School-William Huesbch; Browning High School-Jennifer Wagner; Big Sky-Glendale Colonies-Rebecca Rappold; Special Education Department-Maureen Stott; Blackfeet Academy/Alternative Schools-Matthew Johnson. No discussion.

Superintendent Report: The NIISA Conference in Las Vegas was discussed regarding training and information on vocational opportunities for students, credit recovery, tutoring. It was noted that schools have vocational options in welding, construction, automotive, journeyman, nursing, culinary and agriculture options where students graduate with certificates in those trades. Mr. Conway stated that BCC will have a virtual learning at Havre with Vo-Tech programs and suggested planning this with the BHS seniors for future. Mr. Gallup stated there were zoom meetings at the conference with NIISA and NAFIS. They will have a zoom meeting today (12/14/21) regarding a new Director and interviews in March 2022. Title Programs are okay; a group of military are pushing to pull out of Impact Aid; self-contained classrooms are using up a lot of money.

Schedule Superintendent Evaluation: Superintendent Hall has packets for board members. Mr. Gallup will work with trustees to schedule a date for the evaluation.

HR Status Update: Mr. Salois stated there are few changes, 1 resignation today and he is advertising for a bus driver. No discussion.

Coaching Season Update: No discussion.

Resignations: None.

Motion to adjourn by Ms. Croff at 1:13 p.m. Second by Mr. Conway. Motion passed.

Respectfully submitted:

_____Carlene Adamson, Board Secretary

_____Brian Gallup, Board Chairperson

_____Crystal Tailfeathers, District Clerk