Rocky Boy School District Board of Trustees Resolution No: 2020-2

WHEREAS, the Rocky Boy School District (District) previously adopted a resolution on March 15, 2020, Declaring a State of Emergency as outlined in MCA 20-9-806, due to the COVID-19 virus in Montana and the associated health risks to students, staff, and our community. That Declaration of a State of Emergency Resolution covered the school closure from March 15, 2020 through March 27, 2020. Subsequently, the Governor issued further Executive Orders that extended school closures until May 7, 2020; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Trustees will continue to declare an unforeseen emergency within the meaning of that term as set forth in Title 20, Chapter 9, Part 8, to become immediately effective and to continue through June 30, 2020. This resolution is based on COVID-19 risks; in recognition that the Governor's waiver of student instruction time will expire on May 7; and in recognition that the Governor's April 22, 2020 Directive implicating Executive Orders 2- 2020 and 3-2020 specify that elected school boards and their districts that adopt their own declaration of emergency will continue to receive all state funding, including transportation funding; and

WHEREAS, the Board also recognizes the unique academic challenges faced in the District and authorizes the Superintendent to implement a blended school closure, which will authorize the Eastend and Hilldale Colony Schools to reopen from May 11 through May 28, 2020. In addition, the high school will be open from 12:30-4:00 p.m. [Monday-Thursday] for Seniors only from May 4-May 28, 2020.

NOW, THEREFORE, be it resolved that the Superintendent, in consultation with the Board Chair, is authorized to pay all non-discretionary claims and take any other action authorized by law during the school closure, which the Board will approve once the Board resumes regular operations.

NOW, THEREFORE, be it further resolved that the Superintendent is authorized to assign and utilize staff as necessary during and after a closure, and to provide any leave and enter into agreements with staff for the purposes of protecting the health and safety of the school community, continuing the efficient operations of the District, and ensuring staff return to work in the District in the event of a closure.

Approved on April 29, 2020.		
Board Chair	Board Vice Chair	

Trustee	Trustee	
Trustee	Trustee	
Attest:		
Board Clerk		