

Regular Board Minutes (Draft)
Tuesday, January 14, 2020 @ 5:00 p.m.
Administration Conference Room

Present: Donna Yellow Owl-Chair, Brenda Croff, Rae TallWhiteman, Jess Edwards, James Evans Kristy Bullshoe. **Absent:** Brian Gallup, Wendy Bremner.

Approval of Minutes: Motion by Mr. Evans to approve the Regular Board Minutes of 12/17/19, Special Board Minutes of 12/13/19 and Special Board Minutes of 12/30/19 with no changes. Second by Ms. Croff. All in favor/Motion passed.

Approval of Agenda: Motion by Ms. Croff to approve the agenda with no change. Second by Mr. Evans. All in favor/Motion passed.

Public Comment: None.

ITEMS OF INFORMATION

Building Reports:

Ms. Yellow Owl acknowledged the following building reports: Jennifer Wagner reported on 2019-2020 graduation events scheduled for May 24, 2020 @ 1:00 p.m. There are 124 seniors listed; graduation numbers will change with first semester. Twelve are taking college courses 1st semester; more are coming that are using BCC, SKC, Flathead, Great Falls. Gowns have been ordered and will receive in March; girls white with red, boys black with red; Flower is red spider lily. A list has been turned into JOM for caps and gowns for all enrolled members; senior brunch is for scholarship awardees on 5/17/20; gifts on 5/20/20 at 6 pm; parade of graduates on 5/16/20; senior finals 5/18/19; all seniors must have their coursework completed and in by noon on 5/22/20 (senior check-out) so that teachers can grade their work. Seniors are working special guest. Portfolios will be done on Saturday, January 25, 2020. Ms. Wagner will meet with all seniors including the Academy. Graduation info will be given to all staff and students. Ms. Wagner will hold Senior parent meetings. Enrollment for November 514 students and after December, 494 which is a difference of 20 students. The high school is working on getting those students that dropped re-enrolled and attendance issues have been turned into the court, which is overwhelmed with an influx of attendance issues. Today was the first day of finals and the high school had 97% attendance and they will be giving awards to each class with perfect attendance. Ms. Wagner will include information on graduation in her monthly reports. Ms. Croff stated that the KW Vina average daily attendance numbers are still falling; first graders were congratulated on reading accuracy and math goals; the survey for KW Vina had good questions and received over 300 responses. Ms. Croff stated her support of FMLA for parents and special services students and complimented Napi stating they are moving in a positive direction. Kudos were given to all district personnel that support the Colonies. Board members agreed that they will visit the Colonies soon. Ms. Yellow Owl thanked all for helping organize the ceremony for Chief Old Person. No further discussion.

Superintendent Report/Update: Superintendent Hall stated that she has met with administrators on goals and has seen what each are doing in their buildings for attendance, graduation and culture. Superintendent Hall has sent out information on a committee for cultural life-skill and will monitor and review the strategic plan with all staff. No discussion.

Review 4000 Series Policy: #4440 Guidance, 4450 Interscholastic Activities, 4500 Graduation Policy, 4510 Early Graduation, 4520 Receipt of Diploma, 4550 Sex Offenders. Superintendent Hall stated that mandatory reporters training is being approved for a contract service agreement for all administrators and directors who will in turn train all staff and departments including administration, maintenance, coaches, etc. No discussion.

HR Status Update: John Salois reported that KW Vina has a teacher with emergency certification for grade 1. Elisha Davis from BES requested a transfer and there is a recommendation for her position pending pre-hire.

Raquel Little Plume is the new BMS Assistant Principal. The supper program supervisor is Zita Ottersbach. No discussion.

2019-2020 Coaching Update: John Salois stated that Napi Elementary will be recommending BB and VB coaches. Mr. Evans asked if they have enough 4th, 5th, 6th grade coaching spots so that all the kids get to play. Sicily Bird stated that they do not know at this point; som times they start with too many coaches and sometimes when the season is started and practice schedules are in place they may have to bring on additional coaches and noted that there are safety issues. Napi needs more adults per student ratio to keep students organized. Ms. Yellow Owl stated that the fourth positions for BB coaches will help in those areas too.

Resignations: The superintendent accepted the following resignation: Dorothy Bear Child, Teacher Assistant/BES, Effective 12/17/2019. No discussion.

ITEMS OF ACTION

Hiring: None.

Contract Service Agreements: Motion by Mr. Evans to approve 4 Abilities, LLC-Prevent, Teach, Re-enforce, (PTR) Individualized Behavior Support Services for Students & Teachers (\$10,000.00) pending successful background check. Second by Ms. Croff. *Public participation/Board discussion:* Mr. Evans asked what this contract is for. Tonia Tatsey stated that the contract is for a consultant, Kelly Wilson, who works through the state with behavior intervention. The contract expired in December and she is asking the board to approve a contract service agreement that will be paid through MCLP in the amount of \$10,000.00 instead of \$15,000.00. Mr. Evans changed his motion to include that the amount changed to \$10,000.00 and change the description of the CSA to Individualized behavior support services for teachers and students. Ms. Croff seconded. No further discussion. Motion passed 6-0 with Donna Yellow Owl, Brenda Croff, Rae TallWhiteman, Jess Edwards, James Evans Kristy Bullshoe voting for.

Motion by Mr. Evans to approve a contract service agreement pending successful background check for Joe Jessepe, College Readiness/Career Development Tutor 2019-2020 (\$2,185.00). Second by Mr. Edwards. No public participation. No board discussion. Motion passed 6-0 with Donna Yellow Owl, Brenda Croff, Rae TallWhiteman, Jess Edwards, James Evans Kristy Bullshoe voting for.

Motion by Mr. Edwards to approve the following contract service agreements pending successful background checks: Latasha Fitzgerald, Student Tutor for 21st Century Program 2019-2020 (\$1,428.00); Brenda Guardipee, 1st Aid-CPR Training for Transportation Staff 2019-2020 (\$420.00); Kelli Fowler, Mandatory Reporter Training 2019-2020 (\$1,800.00) and Playground Educational Consulting, 21st Century Community Learning Center Grant Monitoring 2019-2020 (\$3,500.00). Second by Mr. Evans. No public participation. No board discussion. Motion passed 6-0 with Donna Yellow Owl, Brenda Croff, Rae TallWhiteman, Jess Edwards, James Evans Kristy Bullshoe voting for.

Out of State Travel: Motion by Mr. Evans to approve the following out of state travel for JoAnn Powell, Jennifer Heavy Runner-Plain Talk Literacy Con'f in New Orleans (\$2,715.34) and Angela Heavy Runner, Nathan Stone, NCCEP-GU Capacity Building Workshop in Orlando, FL (\$341.93). Second by Mr. Edwards. No public participation. No board discussion. Motion passed 6-0 with Donna Yellow Owl, Brenda Croff, Rae TallWhiteman, Jess Edwards, James Evans Kristy Bullshoe voting for.

In State Travel: Motion by Mr. Evans to approve the following in state travel: Everett Armstrong, William Huebsch, MHSA Equity and Eligibility Workshop in Billings, MT (\$644.59 ea); Everett Armstrong, William Huebsch, Wrestling State Tournaments in Billings, MT (\$718.87); Everett Armstrong, William Huebsch, Jennifer LaFromboise-Wagner, Western A GBB-BBB Divisional Tournament-Meeting in Ronan, MT (\$628.74 ea) Everett Armstrong, William Huebsch, Corrina Guardipee-Hall, GBB - BBB State Tournaments in Billings, MT (\$754.87 ea) and Matthew Johnson, Billie Jo Juneau, Montana Principals Conference at Fairmont Hot Springs (School Related Leave Only). Second by Ms. Croff. No public participation. *Board discussion:* Ms.

TallWhiteman asked if the athletic budget is responsible for all travel. Jennifer Wagner stated that the high school administration travel will be paid out of administrators travel. Motion passed 6-0 with Donna Yellow Owl, Brenda Croff, Rae TallWhiteman, Jess Edwards, James Evans Kristy Bullshoe voting for.

Motion by Mr. Evans to approve the following items: Contract Amendment-Nathalie Lopez 2019-2020 (\$397.00); Create Special Education Teacher Position-BES 2019-2020 (\$37,136.00) and Leave of Absence Request 2019-2020-Jessi Edward. *Public participation/Board discussion:* Ms. Yellow Owl asked how it works for a teacher to take leave for the remainder of school year. John Salois stated that through the teacher's contract the board can approve unpaid leave up to a year. Motion passed 6-0 with Donna Yellow Owl, Brenda Croff, Rae TallWhiteman, Jess Edwards, James Evans Kristy Bullshoe voting for.

Motion by Ms. Croff to approve Cheerleading Club-Sponsors-Goals, Katie McDonald & Mistee RidesAtTheDoor 2019-2020. Second by Mr. Evans. *Public participation/Board discussion:* Ms. Yellow Owl asked for the difference between a cheer club sponsor and the cheer coach. Katie McDonald stated that the club can fundraise and put their funds into a separate account from activities. The club can keep track of and use their money for the club and whatever the cheerleaders determine to use it for. Stacy Edwards noted that because it is a club, the club is open to anyone who wants to join it. Katie McDonald stated that they are not asking to be paid a sponsor fee and if they have to be paid asked if it can be donated to the club. Ms. McDonald stated that they will also provide a small scholarship for graduates and any cheerleader. Ms. Yellow Owl noted that the name "50-50" cannot be used and instead should be "split the pot". Ms. Croff thanked Katie for all that she does for all sports and stated that she has seen the many things Katie and her club does for the kids. Ms. Edwards stated that a fundraiser form request must be filled out before starting the fundraiser. Katie asked if she can turn in one form with a list of objectives on one form. Superintendent Hall stated yes, and asked Katie to meet with Everett Armstrong and Linda Baker and make sure is all turned in. Katie stated that she has met with both and now has a receipt book for deposits. John Salois suggested that Everett Armstrong and Katie McDonald meet on to discuss dates for fundraisers. Motion passed 6-0 with Donna Yellow Owl, Brenda Croff, Rae TallWhiteman, Jess Edwards, James Evans Kristy Bullshoe voting for.

Motion by Mr. Evans to approve the following items: Substitute Eligibility List 2019-2020; Change Part-time Child Care Aide Position to .74 FTE-Charlotte Flammond; Change Part-time Child Care Aide Position to .74 FTE-Tristan Bird; Quote for Band Equipment 2019-2020 (\$25,014.00); Bid Opening for Surplus Items 2019-2020; District Claims Check #41257 - #41708 (\$491,072.06); Student Activities Claims Check #704108 - #704207 (\$33790.31) Cancelled Checks #704075, 704104, 704106 (\$212.00) and Additional Pays-Payroll. Second by Ms. Croff. No public participation. *Board discussion:* There were no surplus bids submitted and all will be held for 2-weeks then given away or disposed of. Ms. Edwards noted that the list is on the website and school Facebook page. Mr. Evans asked about the quote for band instruments. Superintendent Hall stated that last year the band teacher told the board that they had not purchased any new equipment for 11 years and are now purchasing the equipment that they need. Ms. Yellow Owl asked if the district is cutting back on childcare. John Salois stated that the director is asking to eliminate one (1) position and increase the 2 part-time position to .74 fte. The program will have the same amount of staff coverage. Motion passed 6-0 with Donna Yellow Owl, Brenda Croff, Rae TallWhiteman, Jess Edwards, James Evans Kristy Bullshoe voting for.

Break at 5:45 p.m. Board convened to closed session for legal at 5:46 p.m. and reconvened to open session at 5:51 p.m. with a motion by Mr. Edwards to adjourn. Second by Ms. Croff. All in favor/Motion passed.

Respectfully submitted:

_____ Carlene Adamson, Board Secretary

_____ Donna Yellow Owl, Board Chairperson

_____ Stacy Edwards, District Clerk