

**SCHOOL DISTRICT 87 J & L BOARD OF TRUSTEES  
REGULAR BOARD MEETING  
August 20, 2019, 1:00 p.m.**

**Present: Ted Russette, Josh Seaton, Russell Gopher, India Blatt-Demontiney, Voyd St. Pierre, Robert Parker, Reese Gray, Melissa Han, Amanda Lamas, Jan Mitchell and Clintanna Colliflower.**

**A. CALL TO ORDER**

1. Roll Call: Ted Russette, Josh Seaton, India Blatt-Demontiney, Billie Jo Coffee, Russell Gopher.

Absent: None.

Late: Josh Seaton and India Blatt-Demontiney

Meeting called to order @ 12:58 p.m.

2. Establish Agenda

Russell Gopher motioned to approve the agenda. Billie Jo Coffee seconded the motion. Vote 3-0-0. Motion carried.

3. Welcome to Visitors

Visitors.

**B. EXECUTIVE SESSION**

None.

**C. PERSONNEL**

1. Ratify Letters of Resignation [1]

Head Start Administrative Assistant – Jordana Mitchell

Billie Jo Coffee motioned to ratify letters of resignation for the above-named employee. Russell Gopher seconded the motion. Vote 3-0-0. Motion carried.

2. Terminations [0]

3. To Hire:

a. 90 – Day Probationary Employees

EHS Educator – Maudicella Rodriguez

K-6 paraprofessional – Darcie Doney

Russell Gopher motioned to approve regular status for the above-named employees. Billie Jo Coffee seconded the motion. Vote 3-0-0. Motion carried.

b. K-12 Head Cook

Recommendation to hire Lois Potter as K-16 Head Cook.

Billie Jo Coffee motioned to hire Lois Potter as Head Cook. Russell Gopher seconded the motion. Vote 3-0-0. Motion carried.

52 *Josh Seaton and India Blatt- Demontiney arrived at 12:59 pm.*

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54 c. K-12 Food Service Aide

55 Recommendation to hire Jacob Duran.

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57 Josh Seaton motioned to hire Jacob Duran as K-12 Food Service Aide. India Blatt-Demontiney seconded  
58 the motion. Vote 5-0-0. Motion unanimously carried

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60 d. 6th Grade Teacher

61 Recommendation to hire Kenna Standing Rock.

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63 Josh Seaton motioned to hire Kenna Standing Rock as 6<sup>th</sup> Grade Teacher. Billie Jo Coffee seconded the  
64 motion. Vote 5-0-0. Motion unanimously carried.

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66 e. 7-12 Grade Family Consumer Science Teacher

67 Recommendation to hire Deanna Rodriguez.

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69 Russell Gopher motioned to hire Deanna Rodriguez as 7-12 Grade Family Consumer Science Teacher.  
70 India Blatt- Demontiney seconded the motion. Vote 5-0-0. Motion unanimously carried.

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72 f. Drivers Education Teacher (.1428 FTE)

73 Recommendation to hire Wade Colliflower.

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75 Josh Seaton motioned to hire Wade Colliflower as Drivers Ed Teacher. India Blatt- Demontiney seconded  
76 the motion. Vote 5-0-0. Motion unanimously carried.

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78 g. Hilldale Colony Paraprofessional

79 Recommendation to hire Jasmine Powell.

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81 Josh Seaton motioned to hire Jasmine Powell as Hilldale Colony Paraprofessional. India Blatt- Demontiney  
82 seconded the motion. Vote 5-0-0. Motion unanimously carried.

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84 h. Head Start Director

85 Three applications and Parent Policy Council would like to re-advertise.

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87 Josh Seaton motioned to re-advertised. No second. Motion dies.

88 Russell Gopher motioned to hire Chelsey St. Pierre, with the terms if she refuses, re-advertise, Motion dies.

89 Josh Seaton made a motion to re-advertise. Russell Gopher seconds the motion. Vote 4-1-0. Motion carried.  
90 Abstained by Billie Jo Coffee.

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92 i. Early Head Start Manager

93 Recommendation to hire Selina Johnson.

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95 Josh Seaton motioned to hire Selina Johnson as Early Head Start Manager. India Blatt- Demontiney  
96 seconded the motion. Vote 5-0-0. Motion unanimously carried.

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98 j. Head Start Teacher

99 Recommendation to hire Adonis Benson.

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101 Russell Gopher motioned to hire Adonis Benson Head Start Teachers. India Blatt- Demontiney seconded  
102 the motion. Vote 5-0-0. Motion unanimously carried. Abstained by Josh Seaton

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104 k. Head Start Teachers Assistants

105 Recommendation to hire Emily Ramone, Shelley Viall and Phyllis Parker.

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107 India Blatt-Demontiney motioned to hire Emily Ramone, Shelley Viall and Phyllis Parker as Head Start  
108 Teachers Assistants. Billie Jo Coffee seconded the motion. Vote 5-0-0. Motion unanimously carried.

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110 4. Leave of Absence Request (Policy 5055)

111 Transportation/ O&M Supervisor requested a leave of absence from August 26 – October 18, 2019.

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113 Josh Seaton motioned to approve leave of absence request for Carter Coffee. India Blatt- Demontiney  
114 seconded the motion. Vote 5-0-0. Motion unanimously carried.

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#### 116 **D. CONSENT AGENDA**

117 1. Board Meeting Minutes – July 16, 2019 Reg Board Mtg.

118 2. Parent Policy Council (PPC) Minutes – HAVE NOT MET.

119 3. July 2019 Financial Report

120 4. July 2019 Student Activity Report

121 5. Elementary/High School PO's – 41891-41908

122 6. Current Warrant List 77433-77547

123 7. Probationary Employees – 30 days (Donita Demontiney & Desiree Small, )60 days (Leah Gopher).

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125 Josh Seaton motioned to approve consent agenda. India Blatt-Demontiney seconded the motion. Vote 5-0-0.

126 Motion unanimously carried

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#### 128 **E. OLD BUSINESS**

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130 1. High School handbook Extracurricular

131 A Request was made to re-visit the High School handbook extracurricular policy. Concerns with students  
132 that are homeless and their attendance regarding extracurricular policy, which states a student who is  
133 academically ineligible at the start of a semester is not allowed to participate at a Varsity level but can play  
134 at a JV level once they meet academic requirements.

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136 Russell requested executive session regarding a student who this policy affects; superintendent  
137 recommended student to be present.

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139 Josh Seaton made a motion to include the 85 % attendance in the language policy. India Blatt-Demontiney  
140 second the motion. Billie Jo Coffee, no. Russell Gopher yes. Vote 4-1-0. Motion unanimously carried.

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#### 142 **F. NEW BUSINESS**

143 1. 2019-20 Final Revenue Projections

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145 GF K-6 budget for FY19-20 is \$ 1,910,426.56, 7-8 is \$730,791.09 for a total of \$2,641,217.65.

146 GF budget for FY19-20 for 9-12 \$1,102,243.78.

147 IA K-6 budget for FY 19-20 is \$1,974,499.02, 7-8 is \$654,651.79 for a total of \$2,629,150.81.

148 IA budget for FY19-20 for 9-12 \$692,158.69.

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150 Josh Seaton motioned to approve 2019-20 Final Revenue Projections. Billie Jo Coffee seconded motion.  
151 Vote 5-0-0. Motion unanimously carried

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153 2. 2019-20 Final Budget Adoption (Elementary/JH/HS)  
154 General Fund Final Adoption approval is for (K-6) for \$1,910,426.56.

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156 Josh Seaton motioned to approve the above adoption. Billie Jo Coffee second the motion. Vote 5-0-0.  
157 Motion unanimously carried.

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159 Impact Aid Final Budget Adoption is set for(K-6) for \$1,974,499.02.

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161 Billie Jo Coffee motioned to approve the above adoption. India Blatt-Demontiney second the motion. Vote  
162 5-0-0. Motion unanimously carried.

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164 JH General Fund Final Adoption is for (7-8) \$730,791.09

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166 Billie Jo Coffee motioned to approve the above adoption. India Blatt-Demontiney second the motion. Vote  
167 5-0-0. Motion unanimously carried.

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169 Impact Aid JH Final Budget Adoption is set for (7-8) for \$654,651.79.

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171 Billie Jo Coffee motioned to approve the above adoption. Josh Seaton second the motion. Vote 5-0-0.  
172 Motion unanimously carried

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174 HS General Fund Final Budget Adoption is set for (9-12) for \$1,102,243.78.

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176 Billie Jo Coffee motioned to approve the above adoption. India Blatt-Demontiney second the motion. Vote  
177 5-0-0. Motion unanimously carried

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179 HS Impact Aid Final Budget Adoption is set for (9-12) for \$692,158.69.

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181 Billie Jo Coffee motioned to approve the above adoption. India Blatt Demontiney seconded the motion.  
182 Vote 5-0-0. Motion unanimously carried.

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184 3. Approval of Trustee Financial Summary (TFS) Elementary & High School  
185 Adoption needed for elementary TFS final.

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187 Billie Jo Coffee motioned to approve the above adoption. Russell Gopher seconded the motion. Vote 5-0-0.  
188 Motion unanimously carried

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190 Adoption need for high school TFS final.

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192 Josh Seaton motioned to approve the above adoption. Billie Jo Coffee seconded the motion. Vote 5-0-0.  
193 Motion unanimously carried

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195 4. Approval of 2019-20 Substitute Wage Scale  
196 Adoption needed for an increase in wage scale.

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198 Josh Seaton motioned to approve 2019-20 Substitute Wage Scale. India Blatt Demontiney seconded the  
199 motion. Vote 5-0-0. Motion unanimously carried.

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201 5. RBHB School Suicide Protocol  
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203 Mr. Soran spoke on behalf of the Health Board regarding the new protocols for suicide prevention. Kevan  
204 Soran can be reached at 395-1618.  
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206 Josh Seaton to approve RBHB School Suicide Protocol. Billie Jo Coffee seconded the motion. Vote 5-0-0.  
207 Motion unanimously carried.  
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209 6. District Housing  
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211 Approval needed for revision of Lease & Rental Agreement. Not many changes.  
212 School employee V. Skidmore would like to address board. Applicant requested executive session.  
213 District Clerk informed of employees on wait list.  
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215 Russell Gopher motioned to enter executive session at 2:16pm. Billie Jo Coffee seconded the motion. Vote  
216 5-0-0. Motion unanimously carried.  
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218 *Executive session ended 2:20 pm.*  
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220 7. Reports  
221 a. Supervisors  
222 b. Deans, State & Federal Programs  
223 8. Travel Approval  
224 WIDA 2019 Annual Conference in Providence, RI held on October 15-18, 2019.  
225 Coaching Institute 2019 – in Butte, MT held on September 4-6, 2019.  
226 MT Data Use Conference in Helena, MT held on September 16-17, 2019.  
227 NIEA 2019 Convention held on October 8- 12, 2019.  
228 MCEL in Billings, MT held on October 16-18, 2019.  
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230 9. Interim Travel Approval  
231 Gear Up in Helena, MT.  
232 PECS Level 1 Training in Spokane, WA held on August 15-16, 2019.  
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235 Billie Jo Coffee motioned to approve all travel. Josh Seaton seconded the motion. Vote 5-0-0. Motion  
236 unanimously carried.  
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240 OPEN AGENDA

241 This is an opportunity for any member of the audience to bring to the attention of the board questions or  
242 relevant comments concerning school district matters not on the agenda. Please note that the board is  
243 bound by ethical practice, district policy, negotiated agreements and Montana statute to protect the rights of  
244 its employees. The Board may not take any action on matters brought to the attention of the Board unless  
245 specific notice of that matter is included in a properly noticed agenda. Therefore, in the Open Agenda  
246 portion of the meeting, the Board will not discuss or take any action, but may refer a matter presented to a  
247 future agenda.

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251 **G. OPEN AGENDA**

252 **Mrs. Lindbloom proposed to build a playground for the colony students. She currently has 17**  
253 **students.**

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255 **H. ANNOUNCEMENTS ABD**

256 **Distributing school supplies from Plain Green on 8/21/19. Staff meeting at 2:30 in foyer. Discussion**  
257 **with opening a daycare for teen moms and dads was discussed.**

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259 **I. ADJOURNMENT**

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261 Josh Seaton motioned to adjourn the Regular Board Meeting for September 18, 2019 @ 1:00. Seconded by.  
262 Vote 5-0-0. Motion unanimously carried.