

MDSD Regular Board Meeting – 6:00 pm  
Monday, January 12, 2026  
McCall-Donnelly School District Boardroom  
299 S. 3<sup>rd</sup> Street McCall, ID 83638

Jill Wright:	Present
Laura McGeorge:	Present
Kelly Miller:	Present
Kim Zeydel	Present
Kari Blocker	Present

Also in attendance:

Tim Thomas -Superintendent  
Penny Lancaster–Board Clerk

1. **Call to Order**

Trustee Wright convened the regular meeting with the Call to Order at 6:00 p.m.

2. **Pledge of Allegiance**

3. **Announcement of Changes/Additions to the Agenda - none**

4. **Awards and Recognition –None**

5. **Audience and Communications – None**

6. **Consent Agenda –**

- a. December 8, 2025, Board Minutes
- b. New Hires
- c. Resignations/Retirements
- d. District and ASB Financials
- e. MDHS Track Team Donation
- f. DES PTO Donation

Motion to approve Consent Agenda made by Trustee Miller. Motion seconded by Trustee McGeorge. All in favor. None opposed. Motion passed.

## 7. Reports –

7.a. **MDHS Graduation Rate** – Principal Sorensen presented the high school graduation rate is currently 94%. The state average graduation rate is 86%.

7.b. **MDHS Dual Credit** – Principal Sorensen presented the statistics on the districts dual credit utilization. 94% of high school students are using their Advance Opportunity money to pay for dual credit courses, work force training and exam costs. Each district student receives \$4,625 dollars during their school career to use for these purposes. Launch program money is different than Advance Opportunity money and is used for post graduate programming.

7.c. **ISBA Day on the Hill** – Superintendent Thomas reminded all board members that the ISBA Day on the Hill is coming up on February 16<sup>th</sup> and 17<sup>th</sup> in Boise. Later in the meeting there will be discussion about which board members will serve on the Legislative committee and who is willing to attend the conference.

7.d. **Idaho Education Law Seminar** – Superintendent Thomas reminded all board members about the upcoming conference to take place after the legislative session. At least one board member should attend. The conference is April 27<sup>th</sup> and 28<sup>th</sup> in Boise.

## 8. Action Items

8.a. **Introduction of Board Members – Oath of Office** – Superintendent Thomas welcomed new board members. Current board vice chair Wright swore in new board members Kim Zeydel and Kari Blocker. New board trustees repeated and executed their Oath of Office statements.

8.b. **Call of Nominations and Election of Board Chairs** – Motion calling for board chair nomination was made by Trustee McGeorge nominating Trustee Wright. Trustee Miller seconded the motion. No discussion. All in favor. Nomination accepted. Motion carried.

Motion calling for nomination of board vice chair was made by Trustee Wright nominating Trustee Miller. Trustee McGeorge seconded the motion. No discussion. All in favor. Nomination accepted. Motion carried.

8.c. **Call of Nomination for Board Treasurer and Clerk** – Motion calling for nomination of board clerk was made by Trustee Miller nominating Penny Lancaster. Trustee McGeorge seconded the motion. No discussion. All in favor. Nomination accepted. Motion carried.

Motion calling for nomination of board treasurer was made by Trustee Zeydel nominating Laura McGeorge. Trustee Miller seconded the motion. No discussion. All in favor. Nomination accepted. Motion carried.

8.d. **2026-2027 Designation of Posting Spaces for Public Notices** - Superintendent Thomas presented the designated posting spaces for district public notices and requested approval. Trustee McGeorge motioned to approve the posting spaces. Trustee Miller seconded the motion. Trustee McGeorge requested the district to evaluate other opportunities and avenues to communicate district notices to the greater community. All in favor. Motion carried.

8.e. **Notice of Regular Meetings** – Superintendent Thomas presented the notice of regular board meetings for approval. Trustee Zeydel motioned to approve the presented notice of regular meetings. Trustee Blocker seconded the motion. No discussion. All in favor. Motion carried.

8.f. **Code of Ethics** – The board member code of ethics was read out loud by board members and all trustees signed their documents. Motion to accept the code of ethics as presented was made by Trustee Zeydel and seconded by Trustee Miller. All in Favor. Motion carried.

8.g. **Board Committee Assignments** – Superintendent Thomas requested the assignment of board members to board committees. Board members have agreed to assignments as stated:

1.) Calendar Committee

- Chair – BJ Sorensen/Board – K. Blocker/Meet November and December/Report January

2.) Creative Arts Committee

- Chair – Art Teachers/Board – K. Miller/Meet September/Report May

3.) Curriculum Adoption Committee

- Chair – David Pickard/Board – All/Meet Nov, Dec, Jan, Feb, Mar/Report April

4.) Green Committee

- Chair – Val Berg/Board – K. Miller/Meet February/Report March

5.) Policy Committee

- Chair – Tim Thomas/Board – J. Wright/Report Ongoing

6.) Professional Development

- Chair – David Pickard/Board – K. Zeydel/Meet December and March/Report May

7.) Safety Committee

- Chair – Jacob Olson/Board – L. McGeorge/Meet October and March/Report April

8.) Technology Committee

- Chair – Kevin Skidmore/Board – K. Blocker/Meet February, March and April/Report December and may

9.) Wellness Committee

- Chair – Kim Arrasmith/Board – L. McGeorge/Meet January/Report February

10.) Negotiations

- Chair Wright and Trustee Miller

11.) ISBA Legislative Representatives

- Trustee Miller and Zeydel

Trustee McGeorge moved to approve Committee assignments as presented. Trustee Miller seconded. No discussion. All in favor. Motion carried.

8.h. **Policy 1022 – Board Meeting Agenda and Processes** – Superintendent Thomas presented the updated board Policy 1022 – Board agenda and Processes. Trustee McGeorge requested that we add verbiage to the second line of the policy stating this policy will be posted or available at all public meetings. Motion to approve and adopt policy 1022 as amended made by Trustee Miller. Motion seconded by Trustee Zeydel. All in favor. No further discussion. Motion carried.

8.i. **2026-2027 McCall Donnelly School District Calendar** – Superintendent Thomas presented the 26-27 School District calendar for approval. Trustee McGeorge motioned to approve the 26-27 McCall Donnelly School District Calendar. Trustee Blocker seconded the motion. All in favor. No further discussion. Motion carried.

8.j. **McCall Donnelly School District Transportation Bus Purchase** – Superintendent Thomas requested approval to purchase a bus with a wheelchair lift to provide special needs transportation. A suitable bus can be purchased for \$118,000. Funding for the bus will come from the EV bus heater rebate in the amount of \$59,267 and a one-time transfer of \$60,000 from the Early Education Enterprise fund. Trustee McGeorge moved to approve the bus purchase using the heater rebate monies from Harlow's and a one-time district capital improvement and/or capital improvement transfer in the amount of \$60,000 from the Early Education Enterprise fund. In addition, the early education enterprise fund balance may be used for one time district capital improvement and/or purchases moving forward as approved by the board. Trustee Zydel seconded. All in favor. Motion carried.

9. **Adjournment** - Meeting adjourned at 7:17 p.m.