

July 9, 2019
REGULAR MEETING

The Board of Trustees of School District #4 and Forsyth High School District held a Regular Meeting on July 9, 2019, at 7:00 p.m. in Room 9 of the Middle School Building with the following in attendance:

Layton Salsbery, Chairman, School District #4 & Forsyth High School District
Gerald Killen, Vice Chairman, “ “
Jeanette Krueger, Trustee “ “
Donald John Cameron, Trustee “ “
Jennifer Anderson, Trustee “ “
Clay Redding, Trustee “ “

Also Present:

Dinny Bennett, Superintendent
Stacy Montgomery, District Clerk/Business Manager
Shelly Weight, 7-12 Principal
Dixie Seleg, K-6 Principal

Guests: Sandy Donley

The Chairman called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

The Chairman led the group in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Public Participation:

Sandy Donley spoke on behalf of the Forsyth Booster Club regarding their support of the Forsyth Middle School bleacher replacement project. They have offered to commit to contributing \$10,000.00 toward the project, and hope the board will partner with the Booster Club to complete the project.

Revise/Review Agenda: none

Consent Agenda

Gerald Killen moved, seconded by Clay Redding, to approve the consent agenda consisting of the following,

- July bills in the amount of \$224,831.84 including warrants #46621 through #46747.
- Minutes for the July 9, 2019 Regular Meeting
- Warrant lists from 06/01/2019 through 06/30/2019 including the following:
 - Claims 46573 - 46739 \$ 281,425.78*
 - Payroll 312228 -312256 \$ 42317.01
 - [*Includes direct deposit check 46623 \$ 28,442.54]
- Activity Cash Report
- Correspondence
 - a. Thank you card
 - b. Montana Community Foundation Donation

Upon call for a vote, all trustees present voted in favor of the motion. Motion carried.

Student

Personnel

Old Business

New Business

Hire Coach

Mr. Bennett recommended that the Board of Trustees approve the hiring of Andrew Buck as the Head HS Speech and Drama Coach for the 2019-20 season. Clay Redding moved, seconded by Jeannette Krueger, to approve the hiring of Andrew Buck. All trustees present voted in favor of the motion. Motion carried.

District

Old Business

Coaches/Sponsor Handbook – Second and Final Reading

The Coaches/Sponsor handbook was presented at the June meeting for first reading with the recommended MHS changes and additions. It is now recommended that the Board of Trustees approve the handbook on second and final reading. Gerald Killen moved, seconded by Donald John Cameron, to approve the Coaches/Sponsor Handbook on second and final reading. All trustees present voted in favor of the motion. Motion carried.

Policy Update (1425, 2100, 2160, 2160P, 2168, 3110) Second and Final Reading

The following District Policies are being presented for review at the regular June Board meeting. With no additional changes, except for spelling correction, the policies are presented for second and final reading:

- 1425 – Abstentions from Voting
- 2100 – School Year Calendar and Day
- 2160P – Equivalency/Compatibility
- 2168 – Distance, Online and Technology – Delivered Learning
- 3110 – Entrance, Placement and Transfer

Mr. Bennet recommended that the Board of Trustees approve the listed policies on second and final reading. Gerald Killen moved, seconded by Donald John Cameron to approve Policy updates to 1425, 2100, 2160P, 2168, and 3110 on second and final reading. All trustees present voted in favor of motion. Motion carried.

Delivering Local Assistance Program

Information was presented to the Board for the Delivering Local Assistance Program. The projects up for discussion were resurfacing of tennis courts for approximately \$50,000 and replacing middle school bleachers for approximately \$55,000. Mr. Bennett recommended that the Board of Trustees agree on a district project and move forward with the grant process. Donald John Cameron moved, seconded by Gerald Killen to apply for grant money to cover both projects. All trustees present voted in favor of motion. Motion carried.

New Business

Policy Update (3125, 3125F, 4301, 4315, 4340, 5256) First and Final Reading

District Policies 3125, 3125F, 4301, 4315, 4340, and 5256 are being presented for review. Given that these policies are short with basic changes, it is recommended they are approved on first and final reading. Mr. Bennett recommended that the Board of Trustees to approve the policies listed on first and final reading.

Donald John Cameron moved, seconded by Jeannette Krueger to approve the Policy updates for 3125, 3125F, 4301, 4315, 4340, and 5256 on first reading. All trustees present voted in favor of the motion. Motion carried.

Policy Update (4410, 5012, 5012F) First Reading

The following District Policies are being presented for review:

- 4410 – Relations with Law Enforcement and Child Protective Agencies
- 5012 – Sexual Harassment, Intimidation, and Misconduct in the Workplace
- 5012F – Harassment Form

Mr. Bennet recommended that the Board of Trustees approve the listed policies on first reading. Gerald Killen moved, seconded by Clay Redding to approve Policy updates to 4410, 5012, and 5012F on first reading. All trustees present voted in favor of motion. Motion carried.

Social Science Curriculum Review

The curriculum committee presented the reviewed/revised Social Science Curriculum to the Trustees on first reading. It is recommended that the Board of Trustees approve the Social Science Curriculum on first reading. Clay Redding moved, seconded by Gerald Killen to approve the Social Science Curriculum on first reading. All trustees present voted in favor of the motion. Motion carried.

The following District Policies are Administrative Team Reports

K-6 Principal

Dixie Seleg presented the K – 6 Principal’s report.

- June 5 and 6th attended Alice Training
- June 17-20 attended Montana Behavioral Institute with 7 teachers.
- PIR days for upcoming school year:
 - September – Growth Mind Set
 - January – Technology
 - March - Trauma informed education
- Interviewed Kindergarten teacher applicant – turned down offer for another position. Housing is an issue.
- PTSA – donated \$500.00 for playground paint and \$100 for ukuleles.

7-12 Principal

Mrs. Weight presented the 7-12 Principal’s report.

- June 5th and 6th attended Alice Training.
- Attended Delegate Assembly in Helena – teacher shortage was main topic. Some schools are offering to pay for degrees.
- Still in need of English, Spanish, and Art teacher.
- Finished up evaluations of non-certified employees

Activities Director

none

District Clerk/Business Manager

Stacy Montgomery presented the Business Manager’s report.

- Attended MASBO summer conference in Great Falls
- Will be working on Trustees Financial Summary and Budget in upcoming month. Will need to set a date for the final budget meeting to be held before August 25th.

Superintendent

Mr. Bennett presented the Superintendent’s report.

- Mr. Bennett attended the Class B meeting in Red Lodge with Mr Knoche.
- Summer crew has completed the cleaning of the Elementary - High School will begin this week.
- There will continue to be many policy reviews that will be brought to the board in the upcoming months.
- Administration office will be closed the week of July 20th for cleaning

Next Meeting

The next regular meeting will be Tuesday August 6, 2019. The meeting will be held in Room 9 of the Middle School Building at 7:00 p.m.

Adjournment

The Chairman declared the meeting adjourned at 8:04 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Stacy Montgomery
District Clerk/Business Manager

Layton Salsbery
Chairman of the Board