

BILLINGS COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT #1
Minutes of Regular Meeting
March 12, 2019
UNOFFICIAL MINUTES
(Subject to review and revision by the board)

The regular meeting of the Billings County School Board was called to order at 5:00 p.m. MT, Tuesday, March 12, 2019, at DeMores School in Medora. Present were board members Anita Adams, Eric Bock, Joey Kessel, Mike Klatt, and Julie Reis. Also present for all or part of the meeting were Principal Shae Peplinski, Assistant Principal Danielle O'Brien, Business Manager Tammy Simnioniw, Shawn Thomas, Liz Odermann, and Kinley Slauter.

Klatt moved, Adams seconded, to approve the consent agenda, which included the Minutes from the February 11 regular meeting and February 26 committee meeting, the attached check list, and a correction to the agenda to list correspondence from Killdeer After Prom committee. All in favor.

The board reviewed the development agreement between the City of Medora and school district for the DeMores Landscape Correction project. Bock moved, Reis seconded, to approve the three-way development agreement. Roll call vote with all in favor.

O'Brien and Thomas reported on status of Prairie Expansion project. The board reviewed a revised project schedule with project completion around mid-July. Weather and other extenuating circumstances contributed to the completion date being extended into summer.

Thomas provided a written and verbal maintenance report. It was noted that diesel for the generators and backup heating systems at both schools were topped off. The board was informed of a problem with the lock at the north main entrance used by staff. The board gave consent to change it out to an electronic fob entry if budget allowed. Thomas presented a list of excess property. Adams moved, Klatt seconded, to approve disposal of property as presented. Roll call vote with all in favor.

Peplinski reported that DPI hasn't given final approval yet for the four-day school week. Peplinski and O'Brien reported on upcoming events. Peplinski reported on the status of recruitment for the maintenance supervisor position. Interviews will be conducted within the next week. Shawn Thomas read his letter of resignation. Klatt moved, Bock seconded, to accept the resignation effective April 16, 2019. Roll call vote with all in favor.

Peplinski reported that all teachers were made aware of vacant teaching positions in-district. O'Brien requested an addendum to Kira Craig's contract to compensate her for participation on the AdvancEd team. Reis moved, Adams seconded, to approve an addendum to add \$500 to Kira Craig's annual contract for AdvancEd duties. Roll call vote with all in favor.

The 2019-20 school calendar was reviewed. Bock moved, Reis seconded, to approve the 2019-20 school calendar as presented contingent upon final approval by DPI of four-day school week. Roll call vote with all in favor.

Peplinski reported that the food service review passed with compliments to Lori Noble for menu planning and organized and complete paperwork, posters in lunchroom were cheerful, and financial records accurate and complete.

Simnioniw provided the board with copies of District Principal and Assistant Principal contracts and informed them that contracts for 2019-20 school year should be issued between March 1 and May 1.

Open enrollment requests submitted for the 2019-20 school year were acted upon as follows. Adams moved, Bock seconded, to approve open enrollment of a Belfield Public School District student into
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fourth grade at Prairie School. Roll call vote with all in favor. Klatt moved, Reis seconded, to approve open enrollment from Belfield School District student into first grade at DeMores. Roll call vote with all in favor. Klatt moved, Adams seconded, to approve open enrollment from Beach School District student into Kindergarten at DeMores. Roll call vote with all in favor. Klatt moved, Bock seconded, to approve open enrollment of a Wibaux County School District student into Kindergarten at DeMores. Roll call vote with all in favor. Klatt moved, Bock seconded, to approve open enrollment of a Beach School District student into second grade at DeMores. Roll call vote with all in favor. Adams moved, Reis seconded, to approve open enrollment of a Wibaux County School District student into preschool at DeMores. Roll call vote with all in favor. Klatt moved, Adams seconded, to approve open enrollment from Belfield School District student into second grade at Prairie. Roll call vote with all in favor.

Simnioniw participated in a webinar hosted by NDIRF regarding their efforts to organize a self-funded insurance group plan that political subdivisions could participate in. More specific information will be obtained and reported on as this evolves. No decisions are required at this time.

The Cerberus Security contract is up for renewal. Terms of the contract were discussed. Reis moved, Klatt seconded, to approve entering into the annual maintenance agreement as presented. Roll call vote with all in favor.

The board reviewed the Billings County Education Association's petition for negotiations. Bock moved, Adams seconded, that the school board has investigated the petition filed by the Billings County Education Association requesting that the association be recognized as the representative organization for the negotiating unit and has determined that the Education Association does represent a majority of the teachers within that unit. The board recognizes the Billings County Education Association as the representative organization for a minimum of one year beginning March 12, 2019. Negotiations should begin no later than 30 days after board's approval. Roll call vote with all in favor.

Peplinski and Simnioniw provided a legislative report on school related bills.

With the approval of policy DBAA, all classified staff will be classified as non-exempt hourly. This will affect Business Manager position which is currently classified as exempt salaried. Reis moved, Klatt seconded, to establish the business manager's hourly wage at \$30.37 per hour effective April 1, 2019. Roll call vote with all in favor.

The following policies were reviewed and acted upon. Adams moved, Klatt seconded, to approve the second reading of policy DBAA Recruitment and Background Checks for Personnel. Roll call vote with all in favor. Bock moved, Klatt seconded, to rescind the old and approve the first reading for new policies ABBB Noncurricular Use of District Property, ABBC noncurricular Use of District Equipment, ABCC Wellness, and FCAF Concussion Management. Roll call vote with all in favor. Adams moved, Bock seconded, to approve amendments to policies ACAA Emergency Closings, ACAB Emergency & Disaster Plans & Drills, CBAA Administrative Regulations, and CBAB Administration in Policy Absence. Roll call vote with all in favor. Reis moved, Adams seconded, to adopt policy DEAB Staff Attendance. Roll call vote with all in favor. The following Exhibits and Administrative Regulations were reviewed by the board. ABCC-E2 Wellness Policy Evaluation Exhibit, ACBB-AR Responding to Potential Health Threats, FAAA-E Open Enrollment and Tuition Agreement Comparison Guide, and FCAF-AR Concussion Management Program.

Peplinski and Adams gave an RESP report.

Correspondence from the Killdeer After Prom Committee was discussed. The Prairie Student Council will make a donation of \$25 to this group.

The next regular board meeting will be held on Tuesday, April 9 at 5:00 p.m.

Klatt moved, Bock seconded, to adjourn. All in favor. The meeting adjourned at 6:47 p.m.

Joey Kessel, President

Tammy Simnioniw, Business Manager