

BILLINGS COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT #1
Minutes of Regular Meeting
December 10, 2019
UNOFFICIAL MINUTES
(Subject to review and revision by the board)

The regular meeting of the Billings County School Board was called to order by President Joseph G. Kessel at 4:00 p.m. MT, Tuesday, December 10, 2019, at Prairie School in Fairfield, ND. Present on site were members Anita Adams (arriving at 4:20 p.m.), Joey Kessel, and Julie Reis. Eric Bock was present via teleconference. Also present on site for all or part of the meeting were Principal Shae Peplinski, Assistant Principal Danielle O'Brien, Business Manager Tammy Simnioniw, Maintenance Supervisor Pete Hegge, and Erika Honeyman.

Reis moved, Bock seconded, to approve the consent agenda, which included the Minutes from the November 12 regular meeting, the payment list, financial reports, and the addition of three agenda items. All in favor.

Simnioniw presented the board with a change order for the DeMores Landscaping project. The bid specs omitted 91 linear feet of concrete which was included in the blueprints. Shep's Construction followed the blueprint and it wasn't discovered until the concrete was completed that there was this additional concrete in the plans. Reis moved, Bock seconded, to approve the request for the change order in the amount of \$3,640. Roll call vote with all in favor.

Simnioniw provided the board with a quote from HTG for design, bid assistance, and project management for replacement of the boiler system at Prairie. The original system installed when the school was built is still being used and is inefficient. Kessel asked that any decisions be tabled until the full board is present. Reis moved, Bock seconded, to table a decision on moving forward with this project at this time. Roll call vote with all in favor.

Pete Hegge gave a maintenance report.

Anita Adams arrived at this point.

The board was presented with an annual lease agreement between Billings County Commission and the Billings County School District in the amount of \$10,000 for the use of Glade School by Sheriff's Department and EMS. This will cover the school's cost of insurance, utilities, etc. Bock moved, Adams seconded, to accept the terms of the lease agreement. Roll call vote with all in favor.

The board reviewed the audit report for fiscal year ending June 30, 2019. Reis moved, Adams seconded, to approve the audit report. Roll call vote with all in favor.

Mrs. Erika Honeyman presented information on the junior high Close-Up trip being planned. Six students are planning to attend. Mrs. Erika Honeyman and Ms. Markie Toso have agreed to chaperone and submitted a request to the board to have their costs covered by the school district. The cost would be approximately \$3,263 for both chaperones. Board members expressed concern that this wasn't a formally approved school sanctioned event and policy prohibits the use of taxpayer funds for subsidizing non-school sanctioned events. More research is needed on whether this should be approved as a school-related function. No action taken on the request at this time.

A call for sealed fuel oil bids was advertised in the BC Pioneer and the ads sent to area businesses. No bids were received. Kessel moved, Reis seconded, to obtain quotes from any interested businesses when fuel oil is needed and accept the lowest price. Roll call vote with all in favor.

Peplinski and O'Brien reported on upcoming events.

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O'Brien presented an open enrollment request for a preschool student who has moved from Billings County into the Dickinson Public School District. The request is for the student to remain at Prairie School. Reis moved, Adams seconded, to approve the request. Roll call vote with all in favor.

O'Brien informed the board that milk deliveries at Prairie occur on Friday mornings. When school is not in session, there is often no one available to open the school to accept the deliveries. O'Brien requested that a key to the school be given to the driver. It is standard practice of other schools. The board was in agreement that this was acceptable with oversight of who the driver is.

Simnioniw reported that the joint powers agreement with Billings County to hold school board elections in conjunction with the county's election remains in effect on a continuous basis until either party terminates the agreement in writing. Polling precincts need to be established for each joint election. Adams moved, Reis seconded, with all in favor, to establish school board election polling precincts the same as the county's established precincts as follows:

#1 Medora Precinct – Voting Place – Billings County Fire Hall in Section 10 Township 142, Range 99 – 12825 20th St SW Fairfield or Courtroom, Courthouse in Medora – 495 4th St Medora. Precinct includes Townships 137, 138, 139 and 140 Range 102; All of Township 141 Range 101 and 102; the south half of Township 142 Range 101 (sections 19 through 36); all of Township 142 Range 102; all the territory lying west of the Little Missouri River in Townships 143 and 144 Range 102; and the City of Medora.

#2 Indian Springs Precinct – Voting Place – Billings County Fire Hall in Section 10 Township 142, Range 99 – 12825 20th St SW Fairfield or Courtroom, Courthouse in Medora – 495 4th St Medora. Precinct includes Townships 141 and 142 Ranges 98 and 99; the north one-half of Township 141 Range 100 (sections 1 through 18); Township 142 Range 100; the north half of Township 142 Range 101 (sections 1 through 18); Townships 143 and 144 Ranges 98 through 101; all territory lying east of the Little Missouri River in Townships 143 and 144 Range 102.

#3 Fryburg Precinct – Voting Place – Billings County Fire Hall in Section 10 Township 142, Range 99 – 12825 20th St SW Fairfield or Courtroom, Courthouse in Medora – 495 4th St Medora. Precinct includes Townships 137 through 140 Ranges 100 and 101; the south one-half of Township 141 Range 100 (sections 19 through 36).

An agreement with Cerberus Security for the period of January 1, 2020, through June 30, 2020, was discussed. Bock moved, Adams seconded, to approve the agreement as presented. Roll call vote with all in favor.

Policies were reviewed. Adams moved, Reis seconded, to approve the second reading of policies FGA Student Education Records and Privacy and FFK Suspension and Expulsion. Roll call vote with all in favor. Adams moved, Bock seconded, to rescind FCAE and approve first reading to adopt new policy FCAE Suicide Prevention. Roll call vote with all in favor. Adams moved, Reis seconded, to adopt new board regulation FCAE-BR Suicide Prevention Procedures. Roll call vote with all in favor. Reis moved, Adams seconded, to approve the first reading to amend policies ACEA Bullying Policy, GAAB Curriculum Adoption, GAAC-BR Procedure for Reviewing Complaints About Instructional Resource Material, and GACB Patriotic Exercises. Roll call vote with all in favor. Adams moved, Bock seconded, to reaffirm policies GAAC Review and Complaints of Instructional & Resource Material and GABC Sex Education. Roll call vote with all in favor.

There was no RESP meeting to report on.

The next regular board meeting was scheduled for January 14, 2020, at 5:00 p.m. at DeMores School in Medora.

Reis moved, Adams seconded, to adjourn. All in favor.

Meeting adjourned at 5:12 p.m.

Joey Kessel, President

Tammy Simnioniw, Business Manager