

BILLINGS COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT #1
Minutes of Special Meeting
November 20, 2020
UNOFFICIAL MINUTES
(Subject to review and revision by the board)

A special meeting of the Billings County School Board was called to order by Joey Kessel at 5:00 p.m. MT, Friday, November 20, 2020, at the DeMores School in Medora. Present on site were board members Eric Bock, Kwirt Johnson, and Joey Kessel. Also onsite was Business Manager Tammy Simnioniw. Present via teleconference were board members Anita Adams and Julie Reis and Superintendent Shae Peplinski and Assistant Superintendent Danielle O'Brien. Richard Volesky from the Billings County Pioneer was also in attendance onsite.

The purpose of the meeting was to discuss the governor's mandates in regard to masks and school sports and other extra-curricular activities.

Joey Kessel read a prepared statement regarding Executive Order 2020-08. Discussion was held. Kessel, Bock, and Johnson reported on the conversations they had with legislators and the governor's office.

Peplinski and O'Brien discussed the mandate and reported on the result. Seven students went to distance learning due to the mandate. There are no issues in school with the students and staff since the mandate was implemented.

It was the general consensus of the board to follow the mandate, but their preference would be to allow school boards local control based off the pandemic numbers in the school and community.

Johnson moved, Bock seconded, to adjourn the meeting. All in favor.

Meeting adjourned at 5:40 p.m.

Joey Kessel, President

Tammy Simnioniw, Business Manager