

Regular Meeting

Cascade School District 3B

Board of Trustees

September 15, 2015 - 6:00 pm

Board Members Present –

High School Board

Rick Cummings - Chair

Chris Boland - Vice Chair

Charlie Hawn

Deanna Hastings

Terri Bogden

Elementary Board

Rick Cummings - Chair

Chris Boland - Vice Chair

Charlie Hawn

Deanna Hastings

Members Not Present - Erin Wombold

Others Present – Justin Barnes – Superintendent, Lucinda Woodland - District Clerk, Becky Smith, Kevin Sukut, Kim DeFries, Eric Tilleman, Jeff Grimes, April Pepos, Felicia O'Brien, Farrah McGregor

Rick Cummings - Board Chair, called the Board of Trustees meeting to order at 6:00 pm. Mr. Cummings asked for public comment on **non**-agenda items

Non Agenda Discussion

Old Business

- A. Trustees Report -report complete and submitted, changes due to Deep Creek money need to be made and resubmitted

Informational

- A. Ketchi Presentation - Quincy Balias provided an overview of the new Ketchi website and digital newspaper. Goes live September 16!

Staff Report

- A. Kim DeFries, K-6 Principal - changes in elementary are great, parents and kids feel very welcome, Early K a "Ray of Sunshine"; Sharon Stevens received \$100 grant from Embark Federal Credit Union; early kindergarten up and running with 12 kids and a great teacher, math and reading curriculum specific to early K (Engage New York for math, We Can for reading), one morning session not split into am/pm; APTT (Academic Parent Teacher Teams) pilot program being instituted, we are one of four schools in Montana, all funded through a \$80,000 state grant, first meeting Sept 29; Fridays PIR will be half CPR and half RTI and switch next month; new teachers met with Principals this morning to go over ePass system; invitation for all board members to tour elementary

- B. Kevin Sukut, 7-12 Principal - start of year going really, really well; tour shop and 3D printer, media room, school song banner; cool things happening here that doesn't even happen at some larger schools due to progressive thinking of administrative staff; (non) eligibility list is shrinking; adult ed Spanish class being offered by Mr. Castellanos, first meeting Sept 26; Mr. Tait new father (another boy!); new school song banner purchased by Class of 15; stay the course...
- C. Jeff Grimes, AD - lots of excitement in athletics!, kids talking about things being cool; improvements being made, kids are enjoying Coach Fredrickson, jv has won two games; volleyball doing well, lots of support from fb players, FB away in Centerville, VB in Belt, XC in Missoula, going to try attending the tri-fecta
- D. April Pepos, XCELL! - MaryEllen Earnhart sent survey results; doing well in new area, no glitter in cafeteria; first field trip to Children's Museum on Friday, Oct skating or halloween party, Nov ice skating, Dec polar express day; thanks for opportunity to direct

New Business

- A. Recommendation of Custodian Hire - Charlie Hawn moved, seconded by Terri Bogden **to approve hiring Karl Townsend as custodian. Passed Unanimously**
- B. Recommendation for FFA Nationals Student Travel - Terri Bogden moved, seconded by Charlie Hawn **to approve FFA student travel to Nationals in Louisville, KY. Passed Unanimously**
- C. Request for Master's Certification - Charlie Hawn moved, seconded by Chris Boland **to approve Jeff Grimes request to seek Master's certification. Passed Unanimously**
- D. Consent Agenda - Charlie Hawn moved, seconded by Deanna Hastings **to approve Consent Agenda. Passed Unanimously.**
 - 1. Minutes Regular Board Meeting Aug 18, 2015
 - 2. Minutes Special Board Meeting Sept 1, 2015
 - 3. Business Claims **(7045-7111)**
 - 4. Petty Cash Report
 - 5. Student Activity Account
 - 6. Student Attendance Agreements
 - 7. Individual Transportation Contracts
 - 8. Sub List 2015-16
 - 9. Community Key List

Superintendent Report

- A. Opening School Report/Enrollment
- B. District Board Goals
- C. Superintendent Goals
- D. Possible Tractor Purchase
- E. Professional Development
- F. Board Hours
- G. General Fund Budget Snapshot

Committee Report

- A. Finance and Budget
- B. Policy Review - review policies as they are to see if they are still what we want them to be
- C. Transportation
- D. Facilities and Grounds
- E. Negotiations
- F. Technology - internet upgrade moving forward slowly, working with CenturyLink on a possible rebate, Education Super Highway, Jack Sterling suggests we hold off on signing new contract with CenturyLink, 45 mbps for our self not working out; cable tv studio in final stages of set up; new caching server to alleviate bandwidth bog downs

Executive Session

- A. District Clerk Performance Review

Announcements

- A. Back To School Legal Primer, Helena Sept 16, 2015
- B. Strategic Planning Training, Sept 17, 2015, 6 p.m.
- C. MCEL October 14-16
- D. Next Board of Trustees Meeting Oct 20, 2015

Adjournment

7:37 pm Charlie Hawn moved, seconded by Deanna Hastings. **to adjourn. Passed Unanimously**

Rick Cummings, Board Chair

ATTEST: Lucinda Woodland, Clerk

Date Signed _____