

Regular Meeting

Cascade School District 3B

Board of Trustees

June 25, 2024 - 6:00 pm

Board Members Present

High School Board

John Rumney - Chair

Iain McGregor

Ruth Mortag

Chris Wilson

Rick Cummings

Mark McKamey

Elementary Board

John Rumney - Chair

Iain McGregor

Ruth Mortag

Chris Wilson

Rick Cummings

Others Present: Levi Collins, Karsen Floerchinger, Jason Raether, Lawni Raether, Jen Ward, Dave Nelsen, Raija Buley, Tom Cummings, Tina Mann, Savannah Collins, Liz Edmundson

John Rumney - Board Chair, called the Board of Trustees meeting to order at 6:03 pm. The Board said the Pledge of Allegiance. Mr. Rumney asked for public comment on non-agenda items. There was no public comment.

Public Comment

Informational

- A. Letter of Resignation - Connor Schulte
- B. Letter of Resignation - Christa Hardy (HS Track Head Coach)

Staff Reports

For full detailed reports, please see the board packet appendices available on the website.

- C. Jennifer Ward, FFA Advisor
 - a. FFA Banquet
 - b. Greenhouse progress
- D. Jason Raether, Activities Director
 - a. Head basketball coach
 - b. Caucus C meeting
 - c. Div Wrestling trophy
 - d. Division realignment
 - e. Scoreboard delivered and scheduled to be set up
- E. Levi Collins, Superintendent
 - a. Did not get 21st Century grant

- b. Early Literacy Program
- c. Admiral Beverage Contract
- d. Perkins consortium
- F. Karsen Floerchinger, Business Manager
 - a. All fund report

Board Report

- A. Board Training Hours

New Business

- A. 2024 MTSBA Association Business Ballot
Iain McGregor moved, seconded by Ruth Mortag to approve all issues as listed on the MTSBA ballot.
Passed unanimously.
- B. Consideration of Recommendation for High School Business Teacher, Amanda Iverson
Ruth Mortag moved, seconded by Iain McGregor to hire Amanda Iverson for High School Business Teacher for SY2024-2025, contingent upon background check results.
Passed unanimously.
- C. Consideration of Recommendation for for Dean of Students, Sonja Mazaira
Rick Cummings moved, seconded by Iain McGregor to approve the recommendation to hire Sonja Mazaira as Dean of Students for SY2024-2025.
Passed unanimously.
- D. Consideration of Recommendation for Classified Staff
Iain McGregor moved, seconded by Ruth Mortag to approve the recommendation to hire the Classified Staff for FY2024-2025, as listed.
Passed unanimously.
- E. Consideration of Recommendation for SY2024-2025 Coaches
Ruth Mortag moved, seconded by Iain McGregor to approve the recommendation to hire the coaches for SY2024-2025, as listed, pending background checks.
Tom Cummings made public comment in opposition of the head girls basketball coach.
Passed unanimously.
- F. Consideration of Recommendation for SY2024-2025 Advisors
Ruth Mortag moved, seconded by Iain McGregor to approve the recommendation to hire the advisors for SY2024-2025, as listed.
Passed unanimously.

G. Consideration of District House Window Replacement Quote

Iain McGregor moved, seconded by Rick Cummings to approve the district house window replacement.

The facilities committee commented on the need of windows in the district house. It was also mentioned about bringing in an outside source to do an evaluation of the house's needs.

Passed unanimously.

H. Consideration of Bus Replacement

Rick Cummings moved, seconded by Mark Cummings to approve the bus replacement with the 2024 International Cummins.

It was explained that the bus purchased at the beginning of the year was a lemon and the company was going to give the district a replacement. The replacement is an additional cost.

Passed unanimously.

I. Consideration of Recommendation for Jumpstart/Early Literacy Program

Iain McGregor moved, seconded by Ruth Mortag to approve the Jumpstart/Early Literacy Program for SY2024-2025.

A question of funding the program was asked. Mr. Collins explained that it was based on a percentage of qualifying students for ANB. Open enrollment may have an effect on the program. The teacher for SY2025 has been hired.

Passed unanimously.

J. Consideration of Recommendation for SY2024-2025 Handbook Updates

Iain McGregor moved, seconded by Rick Cummings to approve the 2024-2025 handbook updates.

Ruth Mortag moved to table to Handbook Updates, seconded by Iain McGregor.

Passed unanimously.

K. Consideration of Required Policy Revisions and Updates

Iain McGregor moved, seconded by Ruth Mortag to approve and adopt the 1st reading of the required policy updates and revisions, as listed.

Passed unanimously.

L. Consideration of Recommended Policy Revisions and Updates - 1st Reading

Rick Cummings moved, seconded by Ruth Mortag to approve and adopt the 1st reading of the recommended policy updates and revisions, as listed.

Passed unanimously.

M. Consideration of Required Policy Terminations

Mark McKamey moved, seconded by Ruth Mortag to terminate the policies, as listed.

Passed unanimously.

N. Consideration of FY2024-2025 Annual MSGIA Property and Liability Insurance Renewal

Ruth Mortag moved, seconded by Mark McKamey to approve the MSGIA Property and Liability Insurance Renewal for FY2024-2025.

Passed unanimously.

O. Consideration of FY2024-2025 Annual MSGIA Workers Compensation Renewal

Iain McGregor moved, seconded by Rick Cummings to approve the MSGIA Workers Compensation Renewal for FY2024-2025.

Passed unanimously.

P. Consideration of FY2024-2025 Annual MTSBA Membership Renewal

Ruth Mortag moved, seconded by Rick Cummings to approve the MTSBA Renewal for FY2024-2025.

Passed unanimously.

Q. Resolution to Decommission Obsolete Property

Iain McGregor moved, seconded by Ruth Mortag to approve the resolution to decommission obsolete property.

Passed unanimously.

R. Resolution to Cancel Stale or Outstanding Warrants

Rick Cummings moved, seconded by Iain McGregor to approve the recommendation to cancel the stale dated warrants as listed.

Passed unanimously.

S. Resolution to Close Activity Account, Class of 2024

Mark McKamey moved, seconded by Iain McGregor to approve the recommendation to close the Class of 2024 activity account.

Passed unanimously.

T. Resolution to Open Activity Account, Class of 2028

Mark McKamey moved, seconded by Iain McGregor to approve the recommendation to open the Class of 2028 activity account.

Passed unanimously.

U. Resolution to Transfer to Compensated Absences Fund

Rick Cummings moved, seconded by Iain McGregor to approve the recommendation to transfer year end monies from the General Fund to the Compensated Absences Funds, if necessary.

Passed unanimously.

V. Resolution to Transfer to Interlocal Agreement Fund

Iain McGregor moved, seconded by Rick Cummings to approve the recommendation to

transfer year end monies from the General Fund to the Interlocal Agreement Fund. Karsen Floerchinger presented several options for the board to consider for the year end monies in the General and Transportation Funds. One option was to transfer all monies to the interlocal, another option was to recode expenses from the Technology fund in an effort to conserve budget for the ensuing years. The trustees opted to recode expenses from Technology to the General fund and to transfer Transportation funds to the Interlocal.

Mark McKamey moved to amend the motion to approve the recommendation to transfer year end monies from the General and Transportation funds to the Interlocal agreement fund, after recoding expenses from the Technology fund. Seconded by Rick Cummings. Passed unanimously.

W. Consent Agenda (Appendix E)

- a. Minutes of Regular Board Meeting, May 21, 2024
- b. Business Claims
- c. Student Activity Account
- d. Sub List

Rick Cummings moved, seconded by Iain McGregor to approve the consent agenda. Passed unanimously.

Board Meeting Evaluation (I)

- A. Complete evaluation and turn into Mr. Collins.

Announcements (I)

- A. Regular School Board Meeting, July 23, 2024
- B. Upcoming Trainings

Adjournment (A)

At 7:38 pm Iain McGregor moved, seconded by Ruth Mortag to adjourn. Passed unanimously.

John Rumney, Board Chair

ATTEST: Karsen Floerchinger, District Clerk

Date Signed _____

For additional details on items presented in the minutes of the meeting, please see the coinciding board agenda found on Cascade Public Schools' webpage: www.cascade.k12.mt.us/District/1141-Board-Agendas-and-Packet.html