

Regular Meeting

Cascade School District 3B

Board of Trustees

September 17, 2024 - 6:00 pm

Board Members Present

High School Board

John Rumney - Chair

Iain McGregor

Ruth Mortag

Rick Cummings

Chris Wilson

Mark McKamey

Elementary Board

John Rumney - Chair

Iain McGregor

Ruth Mortag

Rick Cummings

Chris Wilson

Others Present: Levi Collins, Karsen Floerchinger, Jason Raether, Lawni Raether, Michael Wilson, Sean Thornton, Sonja Mazaira, Dave & Susie Nelsen

John Rumney - Board Chair, called the Board of Trustees meeting to order at 6:02 pm. The Board said the Pledge of Allegiance. Mr. Rumney asked for public comment on non-agenda items. There was no public comment.

Staff Reports

- A. Jason Raether, Activities Director
 - a. Scoreboard project - installed sponsorship panel
 - b. District meetings
 - c. Booster Club dissolution
- B. Michael Wilson
 - a. 2 PIR Sessions
 - b. Fall MAP testing almost finished
 - c. StuCo assembly
 - d. Coffee cart
 - e. MAST window - October
 - f. Goal - communication to families on testing days to keep attendance high
 - g. Podcast - Badger Den
 - h. Emergency drills
 - i. College Fair @ UP
 - j. World of Works Fair
 - k. Homecoming - Oct 7-11th
 - l. ACT data presentation
- C. Levi Collins, Superintendent
 - a. KRTV technology interview

- b. Emergency manual / E3
- c. OPI grant - XCELL program - about \$50K
- d. MSGIA safety training
- D. Karsen Floerchinger, Business Manager
 - a. General funds are 13% expended at the end of August, compared to the 6% four-year average.

Board Report

- A. Board Evaluation
- B. Board Training Hours

New Business

- A. Consideration of Recommendation and Possible Action on Student Expulsion (possible executive session)

Iain McGregor moved, seconded by Ruth Mortag to approve the recommendation for student expulsion.

The meeting was closed at 7:04pm as the board convened in executive session. The meeting was reopened to the public at 7:34pm.

Passed unanimously.
- B. Consideration of Recommendation for Paraprofessional SY2024-2025, Jennifer Semmler

Ruth Mortag moved, seconded by Rick Cummings to approve the recommendation to hire Jennifer Semmler as paraprofessional for SY2024-2025.

Passed unanimously.
- C. Consideration of Recommendation for SY2024-2025 Coaches

Chris Wilson moved, seconded by Iain McGregor to approve the recommendation to hire the coaches as listed for SY2024-2025.

Coaches being recommended for hire include HS Girls Basketball Assistant-Amanda Carlson, HS Boys Basketball Assistant-Kendra Lane, JH Girls Basketball Assistant-Levi Jacobs, JH Girls Basketball Volunteer Assistant-Angie Hastings, JH Boys Basketball Assistant-Tyler Costa, HS Wrestling 1st Assistant-Brenden Hensley, HS Wrestling 2nd Assistant-Jason Coates, HS Wrestling Volunteer Assistant-Mona Cooper, HS Wrestling Volunteer Assistant-John Nelson, HS Wrestling Volunteer Assistant-Robert Laasko, JH Wrestling 1st Assistant-JD Yarger, JH Wrestling 2nd Assistant-Raven Hensley, and JH Wrestling Volunteer-Jason Coates.

Passed unanimously.
- D. Consideration of Recommendation for SY2024-2025 Advisors

Iain McGregor moved, seconded by Ruth Mortag to approve the recommendation to hire the advisors as listed for SY2024-2025.

Advisors being recommended for hire include Eliza Papke – MTSS Co-Advisor, Alissa Johnson –

MTSS Co-Advisor, Steve Pettis – Close Up Co-Advisor, Lynn Formell – Close Up Co-Advisor.
Passed unanimously.

E. Consideration of Designation of NCLRC Board Representative

Rick Cummings moved, seconded by Iain McGregor to appoint Levi Collins as the NCLRC Advisory Board representative.

Passed unanimously.

F. Resolution to Decommission Obsolete Property

Chris Wilson moved, seconded by Iain McGregor to approve the Resolution to Decommission Obsolete Property.

Administration is recommending the decommission of the 2002 Thomas flat nose bus, 2015 Bluebird Vision micro bus, and vending machine.

Passed unanimously.

G. Consideration of Resolution for Stockmens Bank Signature Updates

Rick Cummings moved, seconded by Chris Wilson to approve the signature updates for the Stockmens Bank accounts.

Passed unanimously.

H. Resolution to Open Activity Account, Athletic Revolving Fund

Iain McGregor moved, seconded by Chris Wilson to approve the recommendation to open Athletic Revolving Fund activity account.

The Revolving Fund will be used to collect and pay expenses for events such as Districts, where funds come in and go out. This will make it cleaner for reporting.

Passed unanimously.

I. Consideration of Recommendation for Designation of Booster Club Funds

Rick Cummings moved, seconded by Iain McGregor to approve the deposit of remaining Booster Club funds to the Pep Club account.

Ruth Mortag commented that per the bylaws, the dissolution may only take place if $\frac{2}{3}$ of the members vote in favor. She believes that a vote did not take place with the members. Iain McGregor commented that all dues were returned to the members, which could signify that there were no active members. The board directed Mr. Collins to seek advice from MTSBA on accepting the funds with the validity of the dissolution in question.

Rick Cummings moved to table, Iain McGregor seconded.

Passed unanimously.

J. Review of Policy 3630 and Consideration of Possible Update

Ruth Mortag moved to implement policy 3630 option 1, seconded by Iain McGregor.

Motion fails unanimously.

K. Consideration of Recommendation for Audit Proposal, FY2024-2026

Chris Wilson moved, seconded by Iain McGregor approve the audit proposal with Rudd & Co for FY2024-2026.

Passed unanimously.

L. Consent Agenda (Appendix D)

- a. Minutes of Regular Board Meeting, August 20, 2024
- b. Business Claims
- c. Student Activity Account
- d. Sub List

Rick Cummings moved, seconded by Chris Wilson to approve the consent agenda. Ruth Mortag commented on the negative balance in certain activity funds.

Passed unanimously.

Board Meeting Evaluation (I)

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

Announcements (I)

- A. Regular School Board Meeting, October 15, 2024
- B. Upcoming Trainings
 - a. MCEL - all virtual

Adjournment (A)

At 7:59 pm Iain McGregor moved, seconded by Chris Wilson 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