

Regular Meeting

Cascade School District 3B

Board of Trustees

June 24, 2025 - 6:00 pm

Board Members Present

High School Board

John Rumney - Chair

Ruth Mortag

Rick Cummings

Chris Wilson

Jeffrey Culp

James Lewis

Elementary Board

John Rumney - Chair

Ruth Mortag

Rick Cummings

Chris Wilson

Jeffrey Culp

Others Present: Levi Collins, Karsen Floerchinger, Michael Wilson, and members of the general public.

John Rumney - Board Chair, called the Board of Trustees meeting to order at 6:01 pm. The Board said the Pledge of Allegiance. Mr. Rumney asked for public comment on non-agenda items.

Public Comment

There was no public comment.

Informational

- A. Resignation – Fred Miller, Paraprofessional
- B. Finalized SY2026 Calendar

Staff Reports

- A. Michael Wilson
 - a. Staffing Filled
 - b. Calendar set
 - c. Master schedules complete
- B. Levi Collins, Superintendent
 - a. Staffing updates
 - b. Facilities projects
- C. Karsen Floerchinger, Business Manager
 - a. Fund overview
 - b. General funds are 89% expended at the end of May, compared to the 87% four-year average.

Board Report

- A. Board Evaluation

- B. Board Training Hours
- C. Facilities Committee Report
- D. Policy Committee Report

New Business

- A. Consideration of Recommendation for Junior High Teacher, Chad Boedecker
Rick Cummings moved, seconded by Ruth Mortag to approve the recommendation to hire Chad Boedecker as Junior High Teacher for SY2026.
Passed unanimously.
- B. Consideration of Recommendation for Social Studies Teacher, Rebecca Cross
Ruth Mortag moved, seconded by Chris Wilson to approve the recommendation to hire Rebecca Cross as Social Studies Teacher for SY2026.
Passed unanimously.
- C. Consideration of Recommendation for Librarian, Kyle Spinks
Chris Wilson moved, seconded by Jeff Culp to approve the recommendation to hire Kyle Spinks as Librarian for SY2026.
Ruth inquired about certification.
Passed unanimously.
- D. Consideration of Recommendation for Activities Director, Kyle Spinks
Ruth Mortag moved, seconded by Chris Wilson to approve the recommendation to hire Kyle Spinks as Activities Director for SY2026.
Passed unanimously.
- E. Consideration of Recommendation for FCS Teacher, Laura Park
Rick Cummings moved, seconded by Chris Wilson to approve the recommendation to hire Laura Park as FCS Teacher for SY2026.
Passed unanimously.
- F. Consideration of Recommendation for 2nd Grade Teacher, Jessica Porter
Ruth Mortag moved, seconded by Chris Wilson to approve the recommendation to hire Jessica Porter as 2nd Grade Teacher for SY2026.
Passed unanimously.
- G. Consideration of Recommendation for SY2026 Coaches
Rick Cummings moved, seconded by Ruth Mortag to approve the recommendation to hire the coaches as listed for SY2026, except for Heather Lewis.
There was discussion about the golf coach recommendation. The members of the board stated they would support Mr. Collins recommendation.

Rick Cummings, Ruth Mortag, Jeff Culp and James Lewis in favor. Chris Wilson opposes. Motion passes.

Rick Cummings moved, seconded by Ruth Mortag to hire Heather Lewis as High School Track Head coach for SY2026.

Passed unanimously with James Lewis abstaining.

H. Consideration of Recommendation for SY2026 Advisors

Rick Cummings moved, seconded by Jeff Culp to approve the recommendation to hire the advisors as listed for SY2026.

Passed unanimously.

I. Consideration of Recommendation of SY2026 Administrative & Supervisory Salaries

Chris Wilson moved, seconded by Ruth Mortag to approve the salaries as listed for the administrative and supervisory staff for SY2026.

Passed unanimously.

J. Consideration of Recommendation for Early Literacy Targeted Interventions Program

Chris Wilson moved, seconded by Ruth Mortag to approve the Early Literacy Target Interventions Program SY2026.

Passed unanimously.

K. Consideration of FY2026 Annual MSGIA Property and Liability Renewal

Rick Cummings moved, seconded by Chris Wilson to approve the MSGIA Property & Liability Insurance Renewal for FY2026.

Passed unanimously.

L. Consideration of FY2026 Annual MSGIA Workers Compensation Renewal

Chris Wilson moved, seconded by Jeff Culp to approve the MSGIA Workers Compensation Insurance Renewal for FY2026.

Passed unanimously.

M. Consideration of FY2026 Annual MTSBA Membership Renewal

Rick Cummings moved, seconded by Ruth Mortag to approve the MTSBA Membership Renewal for FY2026.

Passed unanimously.

N. Consideration of FY2026 Annual MHSA Application, Catastrophic Insurance & Concussion Insurance

Jeff Culp moved, seconded by Chris Wilson to approve the annual MHSA Application, Catastrophic Insurance & Concussion Insurance for SY2026.

Passed unanimously.

- O. Consideration of Recommendation for SY2026 Handbook Updates
Chris Wilson moved, seconded by Rick Cummings to approve the SY2026 handbook updates.
Passed unanimously.
- P. Consideration of Recommendation for SY2026 Bus Routes
Chris Wilson moved, seconded by Rick Cummings to approve the SY2026 bus routes as listed.
Passed unanimously.
- Q. Resolution to Cancel Stale or Outstanding Warrants
Rick Cummings moved, seconded by Jeff Culp to approve the recommendation to cancel the stale dated warrants as listed.
Passed unanimously.
- R. Resolution to Close Activity Account, Class of 2025
Ruth Mortag moved, seconded by Rick Cummings to approve the recommendation to close the Class of 2025 activity account.
Passed unanimously.
- S. Resolution to Open Activity Account, Class of 2029
Jeff Culp moved, seconded by Chris Wilson to approve the recommendation to open the Class of 2029 activity account.
Passed unanimously.
- T. Resolution to Transfer to Compensated Absences Fund
Rick Cummings moved, seconded by Ruth Mortag to approve the recommendation to transfer year end monies from the General Funds to the Compensated Absences Fund, as authorized by 20-9-512, MCA.
Passed unanimously.
- U. Resolution to Transfer to Interlocal Agreement Fund
Chris Wilson moved, seconded by Jeff Culp to approve the recommendation to transfer year end monies from the general funds to the interlocal agreement fund.
Passed unanimously.
- V. Consent Agenda (Appendix E)
 - a. Minutes of Regular & Organizational Board Meeting, May 20, 2025
 - b. Minutes of Special Board Meeting, June 5, 2025
 - c. Business Claims
 - d. Student Activity Account
 - e. Sub List
 - f. Student Attendance Agreements

g. Individual Transportation Agreements
Rick Cummings moved, seconded by Chris Wilson 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 15, 2025
- B. Upcoming Trainings

Adjournment (A)

At 7:24 pm Ruth Mortag moved, seconded by Chris Wilson to adjourn. Passed unanimously.

John Rumney, Board Chair

ATTEST: Karsen Floerchinger, District Clerk

Date Signed _____

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