

MINUTES
February 13, 2012

CALL TO ORDER

A regular meeting of the Board of Trustees, School District #14, Toole County, Montana, was held in the Board Room of the Administrative Offices at 1010 Oilfield Avenue. The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Chairperson Mark Grotbo.

Members present were: Mark Grotbo, Tom Carter, Elda Nichols, Joe Sisk, Brian Aklestad, Felicia Midboe and Rikki James. Member(s) absent: None. The superintendent and clerk were present throughout the entire proceedings. Visitors present were Shawn Clark, John Hough, Kelly Hayes, Kathy Cleverly, Janelle Lutke, Pru Lybeck, Sanna Clark, Donna Sparks, Ron Gruber, Sharol O'Brien, Cris Steinbacher, Ula Omdahl, Julie Olsen, Mark Cross, Carla McNamara, Eve Jacobson, Marcia Heydon, Emily McDermott and Julie Martin.

The **Pledge of Allegiance** was recited.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A motion was made to approve the minutes of the January 10, 2012, regular meeting as submitted.

Motion: Joe Sisk

Second: Rikki James- passed unanimously.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Comment on any public matter

None

Community Positive Comment on District Operations

Carla McNamara mentioned that the Fine Arts night was really nice. Julie Olsen told the Board that the I Love to Read night was nicely put together and it was a fun night. Board member, Rikki James, praised the 8th graders on how well they behaved during their ski trip. She said they were a very nice group of kids and that she really enjoyed the trip. The District thanked Ula Omdahl, Sanna Clark, and Kathy Cleverly for putting together the Math Contest. Brian Aklestad congratulated the Wrestling Team for a job well done.

REPORTS

Shelby Elementary School

Head teacher, Peggy Taylor was not present during the board meeting. Elementary counselor, Donna Sparks and elementary teacher, Kelly Hayes informed the Board on the upcoming students' marathon to be held on May 18. Donna Sparks asked the community for their support to help the cost of rewarding each kid for their hard work and commitment to a fit lifestyle. Kelly Hayes told the Board that a barbecue will be served after the marathon and the Shelby Fire Department will be in charge of the barbecue. He invited parents and teachers to walk or run with the kids and help promote a lifetime fitness program for the kids. Chairperson Mark Grotbo also recommended that each kid that participated should have a t-shirt for the marathon.

Shelby Middle/High School

High School principal, Shawn Clark reported that several students attended a health career fair at the College of Technology in Great Falls. He said the students were able to gain hands on experience in different medical fields. He also reported that two new classes will be offered to students in the 2012-2013 school year. The new classes are Statistics and Independent Science

Research which will be available to junior and senior students. He said that additional costs will be associated with each class like textbooks, technology and other supplies.

Superintendent's Report

Mr. Genger reported that the High School Lighting project is 75% complete. He said that Brian Midboe and his crew have completed the drainage system for the track, football and softball field complex. He told the Board that all of this work was donated by Bay Materials, owned by Brian Midboe. He reported on the spring enrollments for the following schools: Camrose Colony-13; Shelby Elementary-238; Shelby Middle School- 81 and Shelby High School- 153. He explained that a 3-year averaging is used by the Office of Public Instruction to determine the school budgets. Mr. Genger told the Board of his overall goal for the District which is creating a culture of greatness. His goal is to encourage and facilitate greatness in all aspects of the educational community. More time and energy needs to be placed on the process of learning rather than on the end results. He said that if applied correctly and diligently striving, creating, experiencing and expecting excellence in the classroom will produce the positive results that we all want for the students and staff. Setting student expectations and encouraging higher student aspirations is also included in this process. This goal encompasses the facilities as well, with hard work and dedication from all members of the educational community, this goal will be accomplished.

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

RESIGNATIONS

Mr. Genger reported to the Board the resignations of Marvin Christianson, Penny Stevens, Sanna Clark, Holly Pepprock, Charlotte Hanson and Janet Smedsrud. All positions have been posted in house. The District thanked all the departing staff for their years of dedication and commitment to the students of Shelby Public Schools.

ACTION ITEMS

Action on District's Negotiations

The Board has reached on a settlement with SEA to a 2 year agreement. A motion was made to approve the changes to the SEA agreement, as agreed upon.

Motion: Brian Aklestad

Second: Tom Carter- passed unanimously.

Superintendent's Salary

The Board agreed on a 3 year wage freeze for the superintendent for the school year 2011-2014 and in addition the District will pay the superintendent's side of the contribution to the Teachers Retirement System starting in January, 2012. A motion was made to approve the superintendent's salary.

Motion: Brian Aklestad

Second: Tom Carter- passed unanimously.

Approval of Bills and Student Activity Accounts

A motion was made to approve the claims approval list and the monthly listing of Student Activities accounts as presented and added. The approved warrants were numbered 63677 through 63763. The student activity checks for this month were numbered 11249 through 11311. The claims approval list may be referenced in the claims approval file in the administration office and the Student Activities accounts may be referenced in the Student Activities file in the administration office.

Motion: Elda Nichols

Second: Tom Carter- passed unanimously.

Clerk's Report

The clerk reminded the public that the deadline for filing a petition for nomination for a trustee position is on March 29, 2012 at 4:30 p.m.

CORRESPONDENCE

Letters of resignation from Penny Stevens, Charlotte Hanson and Janet Smedsrud were presented to the Board.

NEXT MEETING OF THE BOARD

Regular Meeting, Tuesday, March 13, 2012, at 7:00 p.m.
Board Room, District Administration Office, 1010 Oilfield Avenue, Shelby, Montana

ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made to adjourn the meeting at 7:59 p.m.

Motion: Brian Aklestad

Second: Joe Sisk – passed unanimously.

BUSINESS MANAGER/CLERK

CHAIRMAN OF THE BOARD