

**MINUTES**  
**January 11, 2022**

**CALL TO ORDER**

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

Members present were: Rikki James, Chad Scarborough, Angela Lamb, Jay Hould, Richard Jorata and Brian Aklestad. Member(s) absent: Dan Leck. The superintendent, clerk, high school and elementary principal were present throughout the proceedings. Visitors present were Ron Gruber, Sue and John Hough, Thad White, Shannon Scarborough, Sara Benjamin and Josh Uylaki.

The **Pledge of Allegiance** was recited.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

A motion was made to approve the minutes of the December 14, 2021 regular meeting.

Motion: Richard Jorata

Second: Angela Lamb- passed unanimously.

Approval of Bills and Student Activity Accounts

A motion was made to approve the claims approval list. The approved warrants were numbered 72193 through 72245. The student activity checks for this month were numbered 16119 through 16182. 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: Brian Aklestad

Second: Richard Jorata- passed unanimously.

**Public Comment**

Superintendent Elliott Crump commented that the Speech and Drama team did a great job.

Brian Aklestad thanked the staff for a great job during the Speech and Drama Meet.

Deputy Sheriff Josh Uylaki announced that he will be running as Toole County Sheriff in the upcoming election.

**REPORTS**

Elementary Principal Report

Mr. Smith reviewed the past activities at the elementary school. He said that the 5<sup>th</sup>-6<sup>th</sup> grade are going on a ski trip on the 28<sup>th</sup> of January at Teton Ski Resort.

Junior High/High School Principal Report

Mr. Fisher reviewed the past and future events happening at the junior high and high school. He told the Board that there were 25 students that attended the BPA Regionals in Kalispell and that there are 21 students that qualified to go to State.

Superintendent Schedule

Mr. Crump told the Board that he will be attending the State Speech and Drama Meet in Huntley Project.

**ACTION ITEMS**

Ireland Trip

Mr. Thad White discuss some of the requirements for the Ireland trip. He said that the trip will take place in the summer of 2023. He added that the trip is 100% agricultural and students have to pay \$4,575 payable in 19 months at \$236/month. He informed the Board that junior high and high school students can go on this trip.

Mr. Crump made a recommendation to approve the Ireland Trip.

Motion: Chad Scarborough

Second: Richard Jorata- passed unanimously

Resignation/Retirement

Mr. Crump made a recommendation to accept the resignation letter from Lisa Welch.

Motion: Brian Aklestad

Second: Richard Jorata- passed unanimously.

Hiring

**All new hires are contingent on fingerprint and background check results.**

High School Assistant Softball Coach

Mr. Crump made a recommendation to hire Ryan Larson as an assistant softball coach.

Motion: Richard Jorata

Second: Chad Scarborough

Jay Hould and Brian Aklestad opposed to the motion of hiring an assistant softball coach.

The motion passed with 4-2 votes.

COVID-19 Update

Mr. Crump informed the Board that the district has the ability to do the COVID testing. He added that Lisa Clark has gone through the requirements to be able to administer the testing.

A recommendation was made to offer COVID testing to staff as long as there are testings available and if the staff chose to do so.

Motion: Jay Hould

Second: Richard Jorata- passed unanimously.

School Nurse

The Board wants to get information from the insurance company about the hiring of a school nurse. There is no recommendation to hire a school nurse at this time.

Bus Information

There is no recommendation to purchase a new school bus at this time.

MHSA Annual Meeting-Proposals

Amend Dues By-Law

A motion was made to vote yes on the proposal.

Motion:Richard Jorata

Second: Angela Lamb- passed unanimously.

Amend Students Below Ninth Grade/Transfer Rule BY-Law- Board

There was no motion made to vote on this proposal.

Amend Students Below Ninth Grade By-Law- Board

There was no motion made to vote on this proposal.

Amend Transfer Rule By-Law

A motion was made to vote no on the proposal.

Motion:Richard Jorata

Second: Jay Hould- passed unanimously.

Amend Transfer Rule By-Law

A motion was made to vote no on the proposal.

Motion:Richard Jorata

Second: Jay Hould- passed unanimously.

Amend Transfer Rule By-Law

A motion was made to vote no on the proposal.

Motion:Richard Jorata

Second: Jay Hould- passed unanimously.

Amend Recruiting Prohibited by Law

A motion was made to vote yes on the proposal.

Motion:Chad Scarborough

Second: Richard Jorata- passed unanimously.

Add A Shot Clock for Basketball

A motion was made to vote yes on the proposal.

Motion: Richard Jorata  
Rikki James and Brian Aklestad voted no on the proposal.  
The motion passed with 4-2 votes.

Second: Jay Hould

Add Boys' Baseball as a MHSAA Sanctioned Sport

A motion was made to vote no on the proposal.

Motion: Richard Jorata  
Brian Aklestad voted no on the proposal.

Second: Angela Lamb

The motion to vote no passed with 5-1 votes.

**Discussion Items**

Trustee Election

The superintendent announced that there are two trustee positions expiring this year and they are Angela Lamb and Richard Jorata. The clerk informed the Board that no candidate has filed at this time.

Schedule Superintendent Evaluation

The evaluation is scheduled on January 18, 2022 at 7:45 p.m.

SEA Negotiations

The negotiation is scheduled on January 18<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 p.m.

Correspondence

None

**NEXT MEETING OF THE BOARD**

Regular Meeting, Tuesday, February 8, 2022 at 7:00 p.m. Board Room, District Administration Office, 1010 Oilfield Avenue, Shelby, Montana.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:32 p.m.

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**BUSINESS MANAGER/CLERK**

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**CHAIRPERSON OF THE BOARD**

**MINUTES**  
**January 18, 2022**  
**SPECIAL MEETING**

**CALL TO ORDER**

A special 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 7:49 p.m. by Chairperson Rikki James.

Members present were: Rikki James, Dan Leck, Richard Jorata, Brian Aklestad, Angela Lamb, Chad Scarborough and Jay Hould.

**Pledge of Allegiance** was recited.

Superintendent's Evaluation

The rights of the individual outweigh the public's right to know so the meeting was closed at 7:49 p.m. The closed meeting was opened at 9:52 p.m.

**ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting was adjourned by Chairperson Rikki James at 9:52 p.m.

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**BUSINESS MANAGER/CLERK**

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**CHAIRPERSON OF THE BOARD**