

**MINUTES**  
**December 8, 2020**

**CALL TO ORDER**

A regular meeting of the Board of Trustees, School District #14, Toole County, Montana, was held in the High School Auditorium at 1001 Valley Street. The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Chairperson Rikki James.

Members present were: Rikki James, Angela Lamb, Dan Leck, Brian Aklestad and Chad Scarborough. Members absent: Richard Jorata and Jay Hould. The superintendent, clerk, elementary and high school principals were present throughout the proceedings. Visitors present were Sue and John Hough, Emily and Mac McDermott, David Clark, Jessi LaTray, Berlin Larson, Maria Veloz, Rylan Larson, Bryant Mertz, Tonia Mertz, Eric Mertz, Ryan Larson, Tyler Larson, Bryce Busby and Thad White.

The **Pledge of Allegiance** was recited.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

A motion was made to approve the minutes of the November 10, 2020 regular board meeting.  
Motion: Angela Lamb  
Second: Dan Leck - passed unanimously.

Approval of Bills and Student Activity Accounts

A motion was made to approve the claims approval list. The approved warrants were numbered 71325 through 71391. The student activity checks for this month were numbered 15700 through 15728. 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: Chad Scarborough-passed unanimously.

**Public Comment**

Sue Hough thanked the district for allowing her to purchase the robotic kits for the eight grade students. Mrs. Hough added that the students are really enjoying of using them.

**Reports**

Elementary School Principal Report

Elementary Principal Dustin Smith informed the Board that enrollment stayed the same but we have a lot of new kids enrolled and also a lot of kids are moving out of district. He then proceed to discuss the different activities at the elementary school.

Junior High/High School Report

Principal Kyle Fisher informed the Board that enrollment changed a little bit at the junior high and high school. Mr. Fisher told the Board that he received a lot of compliments on the State Volleyball Tournament that was held in Shelby.

Superintendent's Report

The Superintendent told the Board that he will be on vacation from December 20<sup>th</sup> until January 3<sup>rd</sup>. He also told the Board that he will be attending few meetings which are done virtually.

**ACTION ITEMS**

Hiring

Mr. Crump made a recommendation to hire the following junior high coaches:

Boys Basketball Head Coach- Tom Reynolds  
Boys Basketball Assistant Coach- Wendy Reynolds  
Head Volleyball Coach- Lexy Fisher  
Assistant Volleyball Coach- Emily McDermott

Motion: Angela Lamb  
Second: Chad Scarborough- passed unanimously.

Mr. Crump made a recommendation to hire the following high school coaches:

Assistant Speech and Drama Coach- Tanner Dean

Assistant Boys' Basketball Coach- Brennan Hayes

Volunteer Wrestling Coach- Shannon McAllister

Volunteer Boys' Basketball Coach- Ryan McDermott

Motion: Brian Aklestad

Second: Dan Leck- passed unanimously.

### Girls' Wrestling

The Superintendent made a recommendation to create a Girls' Wrestling Program.

Motion: Chad Scarborough

Second: Angela Lamb

In favor of the motion were Rikki James, Dan Leck, Chad Scarborough and Angela Lamb. Brian Aklestad opposed to the motion. The motion passed 4-1.

### Family Night Basketball Game

Mr. Crump made a recommendation to allow the basketball team to schedule a basketball game during a family night.

Motion: Angela Lamb

Second: Dan Leck

In favor of the motion were Rikki James, Dan Leck, Chad Scarborough and Angela Lamb. Brian Aklestad opposed to the motion. The motion passed 4-1.

### Cheer Participation

No action was needed since the Cheerleader Coaches felt that they have a more reasonable team size right now so they no longer feel to move forward in discussing the inclusion of 8<sup>th</sup> grade students for the cheer participation.

### MTSBA FY 22 Dues

A motion was made to accept the increase of MTSBA dues FY 2022.

Motion: Brian Aklestad

Second: Chad Scarborough- passed unanimously.

### MOAs

The motion to approve a Memorandum of Agreement with the Shelby Education Association, the custodians and the bus drivers came from the negotiation committee. Hazard pay was included and one of the items that was agreed in the memorandum.

Second: Dan Leck- passed unanimously.

### Hazard Pay to Non-Union Employees

A motion was made to approve the Hazard Pay for the non-union employees and Mr. Crump.

Motion: Brian Aklestad

Second: Dan Leck- passed unanimously.

### Attendance/Transportation Agreements

A motion was made to approve the student attendance agreements for the elementary school.

Motion: Angela Lamb

Second: Chad Scarborough- passed unanimously.

A motion was made to approve the student attendance agreement for the high school.

Motion: Angela Lamb

Second: Brian Aklestad- passed unanimously.

## **DISCUSSION**

### COVID-19 Updates

Mr. Crump informed the Board that the quarantine guidelines moved the quarantine period from 14 to 10 days without testing and if no symptoms have been reported during daily monitoring. The quarantine can also end after day 7 if the person has tested negative and if no symptoms were reported during daily monitoring.

### Audit Report

The audit for the fiscal year 2019-2020 was done but we do not have the official report yet.

### Christmas Event

Mr. Crump said that we will not be having a Christmas party this year due to Covid-19.

Trustee Elections

Mr. Crump announced that there are 3 trustees who are up for election in 2021. They are Brian Aklestad, Jay Hould and Dan Leck.

Schedule Superintendent Evaluation

The evaluation is scheduled on January 19, 2021 at 7:00 p.m. in the board room.

Virtual vs In-person meetings

Chairman Rikki James commented that it was difficult for people who were attending the virtual meeting. John Hough, technology director suggested that we need better microphones for the virtual meeting to be a success. The Board were in agreement to continue the in-person meetings in the high school auditorium.

Correspondence

Letter from Peggy Taylor

**NEXT MEETING OF THE BOARD**

Regular Meeting, Tuesday, January 12, 2021 at 7:00 p.m. High School Auditorium, 1001 Valley Street, Shelby, Montana.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Chairperson Rikki James adjourned the meeting at 8:05 p.m.

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**BUSINESS MANAGER/CLERK**

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**CHAIRPERSON OF THE BOARD**