MINUTES
October 14, 2008

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 12:06 p.m. by Chairperson Elda Nichols.

Members present were: Elda Nichols, Barb Mercer, Greg Matteson, Joe Larsen, Joe Sisk and Michelle Edwards. Member absent: Mark Grotbo. The superintendent and clerk were present throughout the entire proceedings. Visitors present were Joe Rapkoch, Shawn Clark, Carla McNamara, Rikki James, Wanda Zell, Jacob G. Waldner, and Peter J. Hofer.

The **Pledge of Allegiance** was recited.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A motion was made to approve the minutes of the September 9, 2008, regular meeting as submitted.
Motion: Joe Sisk Second: Michelle Edwards- passed unanimously.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Comment on any public matter
Barb Mercer received a complaint concerning 4th & 5th grade girls being let out of school early to attend their basketball games.

Community Positive Comment on District Operations
Carla McNamara said it was nice to see the school website updated and said that she was thrilled to see the volleyball team and band at the golf course to support the cross country team. She also commented that homecoming was nice and was wondering if the dresses met standards. Student council is discussing ways to set proper dress codes for dances.

Joe Larsen commented that the attendance at the cross country meet was the best ever and that it was great to see the band there.

Michelle Edwards commented that Rhonda Edmonston is doing a phenomenal job with the cheerleaders and has brought the spirit back into cheerleading.

Mr. Clark agreed with Michelle Edwards comment that Rhonda Edmonston is doing a great job. He also commented that administration is cracking down on the way the students are dancing at the dances. Mr. Clark said that Marleigh Bollinger is doing a wonderful job tutoring the high school students in math.

Elda Nichols commented that she thought homecoming went well.

REPORTS

Reports

Shelby Elementary School
Mr. Rapkoch reported that the RtI Core Team participated in a two-day conference in Helena, on Sept. 18th & 19th. A few of the elementary teachers will be attending a CSPD Region II professional development workshop. Donna Sparks will be holding two assemblies during Red Ribbon week the last week of October. Ray Wanty and Callie Raph will speak to the elementary students about making

good choices. Parent teacher conferences will be held November 4th and 6th. Home and School will be selling books at their bookstore during the conferences. The elementary is taking book donations for the Huntley Project School that recently burned down.

Shelby Middle/High School
Mr. Clark gave the board a handout that describes how I Analyze works. Mrs. Tokerud, Mrs. Arnold, Mr. Lee and Mrs. Robertson got together to map science. The process helps teachers to see where students are deficient. The teachers should have there presentation ready for the November board meeting. The alternative school continues to grow in number. They have sixteen middle school and high school students attending. The student's day begins at 8:15 and ends at 2:30. Students work on core academics as well as having a significant counseling component. All of the students are on an individual academic plan based upon their skill level. There are currently four seniors at the alternative school that will have the opportunity to graduate as a result of the program. Mr. Clark expressed his concern in getting the track committee back together so the funds that have been raised will be used appropriately.

Superintendent's report
Mr. Genger reported that enrollment numbers are encouraging. The following figures show the change from the previous year:

2008 Fall School Enrollment: Elementary 291
Middle School 77
Cam Rose 21
High School 189 total = 578

2007 Fall School Enrollment: Elementary 264
Middle School 91
Cam Rose 19
High School 183 total = 557

Mr. Genger said that the district is having difficulties in finding substitute custodians. Currently the pay is $7.50 per/hour. He also noted that the Alternative Ed school is going well and has a positive future.

INFORMATION ITEMS

Summer School
Eric Tokerud reported that summer school was very successful. Eric Tokerud, Lauri Tokerud, and Sanna Clark were the summer school teachers. This is a great opportunity for students to recover classes that they didn't pass or complete during the school year. Summer school is offered to students in grades 9-12 with no charge to the students.

Principal's Contracts
Ratification of the Principal's 2008-2009 Contract was tabled

PERSONNEL ACTION ITEMS

A motion was made to hire Mike White as an additional high school assistant football coach.
Motion: Joe Larsen Second: Joe Sisk - passed unanimously.

A break was taken at 12:55 p.m. The meeting reconvened at 1:05 p.m.

ACTION ITEMS

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 59674 through 59809.

The student activity checks for this month were numbered 9274 through 9309. 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: Greg Matteson Second: Barb Mercer - passed unanimously.

Clerk's Report

There were no checks or warrants to be voided, no student attendance agreements or individual transportation contracts to be presented this month.

The clerk reported that the 2007-2008 audit went well. There were 2 findings: fixed assets had a couple of miscodings and the compensated absences needed to be adjusted.

Approval of negotiated agreement with the Elementary and High School Secretaries
The negotiations committee and the Secretaries came to an agreement. The Secretaries will receive a 5% raise.
A motion was made to accept the agreement between the negotiations committee and the Secretaries.
Motion: Joe Larsen Second: Barb Mercer - passed unanimously.

CORRESPONDENCE
None

NEXT MEETING OF THE BOARD

Regular Meeting, MONDAY, November 10, 2008, 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 1:40 p.m.
Motion: Greg Matteson Second: Michelle Edwards – passed unanimously.

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BUSINESS MANAGER/CLERK **CHAIRMAN OF THE BOARD**