

MINUTES
November 7 , 2011

CALL TO ORDER

The 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 on November 7, 2011 at 7:00 p.m. by Chairperson Mark Grotbo.

Members present were: Mark Grotbo, Elda Nichols, Joe Sisk, Brian Aklestad, Felicia Midboe and Rikki James. Member(s) absent: Tom Carter. The superintendent and clerk were present throughout the entire proceedings. Visitors present were Shawn Clark, John Hough, Sara White, Eric Tokerud, Kristin Wiederrick, Ron Gruber, Pru Lybeck, Sanna Clark, Kathy Cleverly, Charlotte Hanson, Dana Hellinger, Mark Cross, Lona Cross, Eve Jacobson, Carla McNamara, Marcia Heydon, April Seubert and Mike Dean.

The **Pledge of Allegiance** was recited.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A motion was made to approve the minutes of the October 11, 2011, regular meeting.

Motion: Elda Nichols

Second: Felicia Midboe- passed unanimously.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Comment on any public matter

Mark Cross told the Board about his concerns on the direction of our education system. His main concerns are kids from Shelby are going to school in Sunburst, Math is not meeting the State Standards, the big push for a four day school week and sporting events interfering with kids' education.

Positive comment on District Operation

Carla McNamara praised the Speech and Drama on the job well done. Kudos to Sanna Clark for doing such a great job in leading the Student Council.

REPORTS

Shelby Elementary School

Peggy Taylor was not present during the board meeting. According to her written report all grade levels benefit from interacting with students from the other building. Several advisor/advisee groups come over to kindergarten and first grade classrooms every week to read to the students as part of their community service. Shelley Rewerts and herself are attending " Instructional Coaches" training as part of the RTI Project through the Office of Public Instruction.

Shelby Middle/High School

Mr. Shawn Clark reported that work to restructure the senior social studies is progressing and the extent of the course will include studies in economics, government, sociology, anthropology, financial literacy and career guidance. Most of these classes are taught through case studies. He reported that the Shelby High School will be hosting the North Central Honor Band and Choir on Novemer 28th and 29th. He said that the public is welcome to attend and witness a wonderful concert by some of our own talented musicians joined by many other high school students from other regions. He also reported that the American Red Cross came to Shelby High School for a student blood drive on October 31st. The Key Club had a goal of 30 pints of blood and the goal was met successfully.

Superintendent's Report

Mr. Genger reported that students from six through twelve grade will be participating on an online survey called My Voice Survey. This 15 minute survey of 60 questions is sponsored by the Office of Public Instruction. The survey is an excellent tool for measuring school climate. He also reported that Jim Whealon, the Superintendent for Jefferson High School has invited the Shelby School District to come and visit with staff, students, and parents about the four day school week. The Board will need to pick a date and decide who will be able to go and ask the public to participate. He said that the locker rooms are warmer and more bearable for the students.

Technology Report

John Hough reported that 29 of the 31 wireless access points have been installed. He also reported that the public has wireless access at the gym and the school library.

INFORMATION ITEMS

Negotiations

Chairman of the Board, Mark Grotbo reported that the negotiations committee has had little contact with the teachers' union lately. He said that there were two e-mails sent out to the negotiations team but no reply was received. The Board received a letter from the Department of Labor stating that the SEA had requested mediation through their office.

ACTION ITEMS

Approval of Bills and Student Activity Accounts

A motion was made to approve the claims approval list. The approved warrants were numbered 63437 through 63522. The Student Activity checks for this month were numbered 11022 through 11101. 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: Rikki James- passed unanimously.

Clerk's Report

A motion was made to void claim warrant number 63457.

Motion: Elda Nichols

Second: Brian Aklestad- passed unanimously.

Second and Final Reading of Board Policy numbers 2140 and 8225

A motion was made to accept the second and final reading of Board Policy numbers 2140 and 8225.

Motion: Joe Sisk

Second: Felicia Midboe

In favor of the motion were Joe Sisk, Felicia Midboe, Elda Nichols and Rikki James. Against the motion was Brian Aklestad. The motion passed 4 to 1.

Board Panel to Consider Parental Appeal

The panel members are Elda Nichols, Joe Sisk and Felicia Midboe.

CORRESPONDENCE

A letter was received from Department of Labor.

NEXT MEETING OF THE BOARD

The Annual Board Facilities Walk Through is scheduled on Wednesday, November 16 at 10:30 a.m. Regular Meeting, Monday, December 12, 2011, 7:00 p.m. Board Room, District Administration Office, 1010 Oilfield Avenue, Shelby, Montana

ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made to adjourn the meeting at 7:52 p.m.

Motion: Joe Sisk

Second: Brian Aklestad – passed unanimously.

BUSINESS MANAGER/CLERK

CHAIRMAN OF THE BOARD