REGULAR MEETING - BOARD OF TRUSTEES

SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 1

DANIELS COUNTY, MONTANA

Open Session

DATE: May 14, 2018

TIME: 8:00 p.m.

PLACE: Music Room

MEMBERS PRESENT: Jesse Cole, Tim Tande, Leif Handran and Matt Stentoft

ADMINISTRATIVE STAFF PRESENT: Dan Schmidt, Logan Brower and Colleen Drury

OTHERS PRESENT: Tara Thomas, Kyla Cromwell, Amanda Manternach, Jasmine Johnsrud, Annette Thievin, Melissa Holum, Morgan Lekvold, Jedd Lekvold, Jodi Axtman, Melissa Maher and Dori Carney

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Vice Chairman Jesse Cole called the meeting to order at 8:10 p.m. Roll was taken and it was established that a quorum was present.

Patrons and visitors were recognized. Morgan Lekvold asked that the Board consider opening up it’s Property, Liability and Health Insurance coverage to bid for the 2020-2021 school year. He also would like the opportunity to be our local health care representative through MUST. The board will put the action item for opening up the property and liability insurance for bids for the 2020-2021 school year.

On motion by Matt Stentoft and seconded by Leif Handran, the minutes from the regular meeting on April 12, 2018, were approved unanimously as presented.

The superintendent and principal’s reports were discussed and are attached and made a part of these minutes by reference.

On motion by Tim Tande and seconded by Matt Stentoft, April 11, 2018 through May 9, 2018 claims in the amount of $68,712.37 were approved unanimously as presented.

On motion by Tim Tande and seconded by Leif Handran, the Activities Report for April 1, 2018 through April 30, 2018 were approved unanimously as presented.

Matt Stentoft moved to hire Western Sports Flooring to refinish both gym floors during July 2018 at the cost of $9,822.96. Tim Tande seconded and all present voted in favor.

Tim Tande moved to have Scobey Schools sponsor Elementary Boys and Girls Jamboree Basketball programs with no financial responsibility to the district for 5th and 6th grade students, pending information on liability insurance; approval of coach staff and students following all Spartan Standards. Leif Handran seconded and all present voted in favor.

Matt Stentoft moved to renew MTSBA annual dues in the amount of $3,386.00 for the 2018-2019 school year and take no action on the MREA dues until further information is gathered about what benefit this has for the district. Tim Tande seconded, with Jesse Cole, Matt Stentoft and Tim Tande voting AYE and Leif Handran voting NAY, motion passed.

Tim Tande moved to approve the MHSA dues for the 2018-2019 school year in the amount of $2,850.00. Leif Handran seconded and all present voted in favor.

Leif Handran moved to approve the terms and conditions of the 2018-2019 Superintendent with Principal duties contract for Tara Thomas and set the annual salary of $75,000.00. Matt Stentoft seconded and all present voted in favor.

Tim Tande moved to hire Logan Brower as the 7-12 Science teacher for the 2018-2019 school year at 1.0 FTE. Matt Stentoft seconded and all present voted in favor.

Tim Tande moved to approve a 1% increase in Head Custodian Scott Farris’ hourly wage to $20.61 per hour. Matt Stentoft seconded and all present voted in favor.

Leif Handran moved to renew Transportation Supervisor Sean Cromwell’s contract with a 1% increase in salary including the route hours to $57,488.58. Tim Tande seconded and all present voted in favor.

Leif Handran moved to hire the following drivers for the 2018-2019 school year:

Eva Erstad Sean Cromwell

Dana Fjeld Dorothy Holum

Tammy Nelson

with a 1% increase in base pay to $9,211.81. Matt Stentoft seconded and all present voted in favor.

Leif Handran moved to offer contracts to the following classified staff for the 2018-2019 school year

Leigha Fishell Shiralee Girard

Jonna Handran Amber Holum

Nancy Linnell Plensgri Sanden

Doug States Judy States

Sharon Stephenson Shalice Tommerup

Kourtney Voorhees Delaney Wickum

with a 2% increase to the 2018-2019 salary schedule. Tim Tande seconded and all present voted in favor.

Matt Stentoft moved to approve a 1% increase in Colleen Drury’s salary to $39,849.04 plus the Tech Stipend of $10,000/year for the 2018-2019 school year. Leif Handran seconded and all present voted in favor.

Tim Tande moved to hire Lawren Olson and Karla Leibrand for the summer school and special needs program to begin after June 1, 2018 at $25 per hour. Matt Stentoft seconded and all present voted in favor.

Tim Tande moved to hire Zach Kilgore, Kole Ralston, Makayla Hauk, Abria Boze, Ryleigh Backman and Colter Linder as full time summer help for the 2018 summer months. Matt Stentoft seconded and all present voted in favor.

Tim Tande moved to hire the following Winter Coaches for the 2018-2019 school year:

Head Boys Basketball – Jason Wolfe; Head Girls Basketball – Jedd Lekvold

Matt Stentoft seconded and all present voted in favor.

Matt Stentoft moved to purchase 50 Chromebooks, licenses, cart and service warranties as quote from CDW-G in the amount of $13,070.56. Leif Handran seconded and all present voted in favor.

Leif Handran moved to pay Felt, Martin, Frazier & Weldon for legal fees incurred to resolve issues with the boiler system in the amount of $3,136.25. Tim Tande seconded and all present voted in favor.

Vice Chairperson Cole announced the next order of business would be the use of Northern Border Distributing, Inc., as a supplier to the school district. Matt Stentoft moved to adopt the following resolution:

*WHEREAS*, Section 20-9-204(a) of the Montana Code Annotated (MCA) prohibits a trustee from having any pecuniary interest, either directly or indirectly, in any contract made by the trustee while acting in that official capacity or by the board of trustees of which the trustee is a member; and

WHEREAS, Tim Tande, a member of the school district’s board of trustees owns more than 10% of the stock in Northern Border Distributing, Inc.; and

*WHEREAS*, Section 20-9-204(2)(a), MCA, provides that a “contract” does *not* include contracts for supplies when the supplies are not reasonably available from other sources as long as the interest of any board member and a determination of the lack of availability are entered in the minutes of the board meeting at which the contract is considered;

*NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED* as follows:

1. The Board acknowledges that Tim Tande, a member of the board, holds more than 10% of the stock in Northern Border Distributing, Inc.;

2. The Board finds that Northern Border is the only distributer within the school district and that similar supplies are not reasonably available from other sources;

3. The Board finds that, because similar supplies are not reasonably available from other sources, contracts with Northern Border Distributing, Inc., do not fall within the definition of “contract” as provided in Section 20-9-204, MCA; and

4. Therefore, the Board is able to obtain supplies from Northern Border Distributing, Inc., in full compliance with the provisions of Montana law.

Leif Handran seconded with Jesse Cole, Leif Handran and Matt Stentoft all voting “Aye” and Tim Tande “abstaining”, motion passed.

Leif Handran moved to resolve that the items and library books as attached hereto by reference, which are the property of School District No. 1, have become abandoned, obsolete, undesirable or unsuitable for the purposes of the district, and to consider the adoption of a resolution to authorize the sale or disposition of such property. Tim Tande seconded and all present voted in favor.

As no bids were received for the Setra Bus sale, there was no action.

Tim Tande moved to approve the expenditures incurred on the MCI J4500 bus for repairs completed by Interstate Powersystems in the amount of $7,256.10. Matt Stentoft seconded and all present voted in favor.

Board acknowledged the resignations submitted by Val Rustebakke and Laurel Handy.

Leif Handran moved to allow the disposition of eligible Student records for years prior to 2010. Tim Tande seconded and all present voted in favor.

The business portion of the meeting was adjourned.

Vice Chairman Jesse Cole called the Board reorganization meeting to order.

Tim Tande moved to accept the results of the May 8, 2018 Trustee Election by Acclamation. Matt Stentoft seconded and all present voted in favor.

Certificates of Election were issued to Don Hagan and Jesse Cole. They were instructed to appear before Superintendent of Schools JoAnn Bjarko prior to May 22, 2018.

With Superintendent Dan Schmidt presiding, he called for nominations for Board Chairman. Matt Stentoft nominated Don Hagan and asked that nominations cease and cast a unanimous ballot, seconded by Leif Handran. All present voted in favor of Don Hagan as Board Chairman.

As Don Hagan was not present, Superintendent Dan Schmidt still presiding called for nominations for Vice Chairman. Matt Stentoft nominated Jesse Cole and asked that nominations cease and cast a unanimous ballot, seconded by Tim Tande. All present voted in favor of Jesse Cole as Board Vice Chairman.

Vice Chairman Cole then made the following committee appointments. Upon request by Colleen Drury, a Finance Committee was formed beginning the 2018-2019 school year.

Negotiations: Don Hagan and Tim Tande

Transportation: Matt Stentoft and Jesse Cole

Buildings & Grounds: Tim Tande and Leif Handran

Personnel: Jesse Cole and Leif Handran

Finance: Don Hagan and Matt Stentoft

The next order of business was appointment of District Clerk, Matt Stentoft moved to appoint Colleen Drury as Board Clerk for the 2018-2019 school year. Leif Handran seconded and all present voted in favor.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned

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Chairman Business Manager