

REGULAR MEETING - BOARD OF TRUSTEES
SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 1
DANIELS COUNTY, MONTANA
Open Session

DATE:	September 8, 2025
TIME:	7:00 p.m.
PLACE:	Music Room
MEMBERS PRESENT:	Tim Tande, DuWayne Wilson, Logan Olson and Garrett Lund remotely
ADMINISTRATIVE STAFF PRESENT:	Greg Hardy, Caitlin Buer and Colleen Drury
OTHERS PRESENT:	Amanda Manternach, Valita Nelson, Mughl Fickinger, Sarah Nelson, Charlotte Nelson, Kyla Cromwell and Haley Pfefferkorn

Chairman Tim Tande called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. Roll was taken and it was established that a quorum was present. Patrons & Visitors were recognized.

On motion by DuWayne Wilson and seconded by Logan Olson, the minutes from the August 19, 2025 Regular and August 25, 2025 Special meetings were approved unanimously as presented.

Staff Reports:

The Principal and Superintendent reports were discussed and are attached and made a part of these minutes by reference.

Committee Reports: There were no Committee Reports.

Finance:

On motion by Logan Olson and seconded by DuWayne Wilson, Claims #19753 - #19790 dated August 15, 2025 – September 5, 2025 in the amount of \$204,970.83, were approved unanimously as presented.

On motion by Logan Olson and seconded by DuWayne Wilson, the Activities Report for the month of August, 2025 was approved unanimously as presented.

New Business - The following items were presented for consideration and possible action:

A. Graduation date 2025-2026 school year.

The date for Graduation needs to be set. State Track, State Golf and Memorial Day all affect possible weekends. Last day of school is May 29, 2026.

~Logan Olson moved to set the date for Graduation to Saturday, May 16, 2026. DuWayne Wilson seconded and all present voted in favor.

B. Speech & Drama – revisit offering program for the 2025-2026 school year.

Three students are interested in Speech & Drama for the 2025-2026 school year. A parent has agreed to be the coach. MHSA dues, travel, meet fees and stipends are contributing factors in the decision.

~Logan Olson moved to add Speech & Drama and hire Sarah Nelson as the advisor, pending satisfactory background check for the 2025-2026 school year. DuWayne Wilson seconded with Logan Olson voting Aye and Tim Tande, DuWayne Wilson and Garrett Lund all voting Nay, motion failed.

C. SPED Coordinator for the 2025-2026 school year re-negotiation.

Valita Nelson has come back with a counter proposal of \$750.00/IEP along with evaluation services for the SPED students for the 2025-2026 school year. She would still be an Independent Contractor so no payroll taxes will be incurred.

~DuWayne Wilson moved to hire Valita Nelson as an independent contractor for Special Education services at \$750.00/IEP for the 2025-2026 school year. Logan Olson seconded and all present voted in favor.

F. Personnel recommendations.

1. Substitute Employee for the 2025-2026 school year.

Grace Williams has submitted an application to be included on the Substitute list for the 2025-2026 school year. Will have to complete a fingerprint background check.

~DuWayne Wilson moved to include Grace Williams on the substitute list for the 2025-2026 school year pending satisfactory background check. Logan Olson seconded and all present voted in favor.

2. Jr. High Girls & Boys Basketball coaches for the 2025-2026 school year.

All of the Jr. High basketball coaches have agreed to come back for the 2025-2026 season.

Jr High Girls Coaches

Matt Stentoft

Scott Fishell

Jr. High Boys Coaches

KC Holum

Drew Baldry

~DuWayne Wilson moved to hire Matt Stentoft and Scott Fishell as Jr. High Girls Basketball coaches and KC Holum and Drew Baldry as Jr. High Boys Basketball coaches for the 2025-2026 season. Garrett Lund seconded and all present voted in favor.

3. Accompanists, Volunteers, Advisors and Chaperones for the 2025-2026 school year.

Each year anyone who has contact with students need to be approved by the board and if they are new, need to have background checks completed. FFA, Music and Work Study have submitted their lists of who they would like to have help.

FFA

Jacki Oie

Morgan Oie

Wanda Tade

Inga Hawbaker

*Tim Rask

Kacey Olson

*John McColly

*Ed Hinton

Josh Bilbry

ACCOMPANISTS

Gayle May

Carla Rask

Felix Gilbertson

Tammy Cahill

WORK STUDY

Michel Thievin

Terry Puckett

Curtis Cromwell

Tanner Trower

Candace Cromwell

Kacey Olson

~Logan Olson moved to approve the lists of Accompanists, Advisors, Chaperones and Volunteers for the 2025-2026 school year as presented pending adequate background checks. DuWayne Wilson seconded and all present voted in favor.

Board Information and Discussion

The next meeting will be held on Tuesday, October 14, 2025 at 5:30 p.m. in the Music Room. Discussion to move winter regular meetings (October – March) to the 2nd Tuesday of each month at 5:30 followed. We will bring the policy change to the next meeting for discussion.

There being no further discussion or business, the meeting was adjourned.

Chairman

District Clerk