

BROCKTON, MONTANA

July 25, 2023 - Tuesday

5:30 P.M.

The regular meeting of the Brockton School Board of Trustees was held July 25, 2023 at the Administration Building in Brockton, Montana. Present were Trustees, Sammy Nygard, Terry Rattling Thunder, Olivia Johnson, and Rae Jean Belgarde. Also present were Superintendent, Josh Patterson, Asst. Principal/Athletic Director Rae Anne Edmisten, and District Clerk, Ron Shanks

Absent: Wilfred Lambert

Visitors: Helen Ketcher

With a quorum present the meeting was called to order by Chairman, Sammy Nygard at 5:34 P.M.

Public Comment: No Comment

Principal Report:

Summer school participation was good with the first session in June had 30-40 kids that attended and 20-30 kids participating in the second session. Daily attendance in the low to mid 20's throughout. Incentive trips for students who attended summer school were held at the splash park in Williston in June and the community center in Poplar for the second session. Summer workers; A group of students are working this summer under the supervision of John Spotted Bird who we hired recently. Four Senior participation was outstanding with 3 successfully receiving their Diplomas and the fourth anticipating to complete the requirements as well needing only 1 credit. There was some discussion on allowing the seniors to "walk" for the graduation ceremonies. pros and cons were discussed, including culture and incentives.

Athletic Director's Report

- Boys and Girls have been playing scrimmages over the summer
- Practices are winding down, 31st is the last day in the gym
- HPDP is doing sports physicals this week
- First practice is Aug 11, 2023 Football still needs 10 every other team needs 8
- Spots calendars should be on the way, and there is a link on the school webpage for calendars as well
- Football program still in need of a coach

- Field looks good, Henry and his crew have done a good job keeping it up this summer.
- Brockton athletics will kick off the year with little Caesars fundraiser
- Gym floors were completed and look great
- Students have enjoyed shooting machine for the summer
- Sidney has invited coaches, Athletes and parents to a free event, will get information out to coaches and students. (Scott Roseburg) ● Volleyball camp, 4 attended

Clerks Report

Motion was made by Rae Jean Belgarde to approve June 14th, 2023 School Board Meeting Minutes. Motion seconded by Olivia Johnson. Motion carried 4/0. A motion was made by Olivia Johnson to approve the June Bills. Motion was seconded by Rae Jean Belgarde. Motion carried 4/0.

New Business

1. Resignation

Superintendent Patterson presented a resignation letter to the board for consideration from Melissa Belgarde. Tabled

2. Food Service Manager vs Head Cook

Determination of what requirements or duties for each position and compensation for services provided for each job title. Discussion of how the pay matrix applies, it was determined to revisit the pay matrix at the next board meeting. Also it was discussed what it might look like without a Food Service manager. Tabled

3. Paraprofessional Employment

Superintendent Patterson recommended hiring Kortney Greybull as a paraprofessional in the sped dept. A motion was made by Rae Jean to hire Kortney Greybull as a SPED paraprofessional as recommended by Superintendent Patterson. Motion was seconded by Olivia. Motion carried 4/0

4. Surveillance cameras repair /replace

Superintendent Patterson recommended accepting a bid from Omni Technologies LLC to repair and/or replace multiple cameras throughout. A motion was made by Rae Jean to replace and/or repair the security system as recommended by Superintendent Patterson. Motion was seconded by Olivia. Motion carried 4/0

5. 2023-2024 Bus Route

Superintendent Patterson recommended adopting the same bus route as previous year.

A motion was made by Rae Jean to accept the bus route as recommended by Superintendent Patterson. Motion was seconded by Olivia. Motion carried 4/0.

6. MTSBA Ballot

Superintendent Patterson recommended continuing membership with the MTSBA. Rae Jean made a motion to renew membership with MTSBA as recommended by Superintendent Patterson. Motion was seconded by Olivia. Motion carried 4/0 Discussion on the ballot for MTSBA's business was to abstain from voting

7. Roosevelt-Valley Special Services COOP Agreement

Superintendent Patterson recommended accepting the Roose-Valley special Services Coop Agreement. Olivia made the motion to accept the Roose-Valley special Services agreement as recommended by Superintendent Patterson. Motion was seconded by Rae Jean. Motion carried 4/0

8. Policy 1st Reading #2158

A motion was made by Olivia on the Policy first reading of #2158. Motion was seconded by Rae Jean. Motion carried 4/0.

9. Policy 2nd Reading #1650

A motion was made by Olivia on the Policy second reading of # 1650. Motion seconded by Rae Jean. Motion carried 4/0.

10. Revision of the student Handbook rule/procedure related to sport/activity drug/alcohol testing

Superintendent Patterson recommended revisions of the student handbook rule/procedure related to sport/activity drug/alcohol testing. Rae Jean made a motion to accept the revision to the hand book as recommended by Superintendent Patterson. Motion was seconded by Olivia. Motion carried 4/0

11 Storage Shed

Superintendent Patterson recommended purchasing a shed for athletic equipment storage approx. cost \$6,000.00 to \$10,000.00. Olivia made a motion to purchase a storage shed as recommended by Superintendent Patterson. Motion was seconded by Rae Jean. Motion carried 4/0

12. Football Coach

Superintended Patterson recommended hiring Toby Yuppie and Howard Black Dog in the position of football coach. Head Coach and Jr High coach to be determined. Rae Jean made a motion to hire Toby Yuppie and Howard Black Dog as recommended by Superintendent Patterson. Motion was seconded by Olivia. Motion carried 4/0

Open Positions

Our current open positions are: high school Science, 4th- 6th grade Science/History, and K-8 Music. After 2 candidates expressed interest but ultimately failed to sign a contract, we are left with no viable applicants for the high school Science position. Therefore, we will continue offering our high school science courses digitally through Ingenuity this year. The position will remain advertised until filled.

Without a viable applicant 4th- 6th Grade Science/History teacher position, I will be forced to move the incoming Special Ed teacher into the position. This teacher has a dual endorsement in special education and elementary education. I intend this move to be temporary, for one year, until the position is filled in the 2024-2025 school year. This position will also remain advertised until filled.

I'm looking for a local community member to fill the K-8 Music position. The person would be responsible for teaching 30-minute time slots during which he/she would prepare students for our seasonal choir performances. This person would also supervise and assist the digital instructor for 7th-8th grade music and help prepare them for our seasonal choir performances as well.

Facility Projects

Playground work starts next week, Classrooms are nearly ready for teachers to begin prepping for the new year. Many classrooms and hallways in the high school have been repainted. The gym floor was stripped and waxed.

Main Entrance

Architectural plans and artistic renderings are now on display in the District Office. Bid opening is set for Friday, July 28th.

Teacher Housing Renovations

The single-wide trailer the District purchased last year has been renovated. Two teachers will be living in the unit this year as well as children of one of the teachers. Three of the apartments leased from the Tribes have been lightly renovated and will be fully occupied with teachers this year.

Football Field Lighting

Sheridan Electric has asked who to submit bills too? The Tribes? They have begun ordering materials

2023 Senior Class Update

Three out of four Senior students that owed time or had outstanding academic requirements completed their requirements during our two summer school sessions. The three that completed their requirements will receive their diplomas.

New Teacher Arrivals

Teachers will be arriving beginning this week and continue arriving through the week of August 7th

ADJOURNMENT

With ng_fur.ther Business Rae Jean made a motion to adjourn. otion second by Olivia. Motion.

carried 4/0²



Clerk, Board of Trustees

Chairman, Board of Trustees