

MINUTES

Boulder Elementary School District No. 7
Regular Meeting

March 14, 2022
Boulder Elementary School

Board members present:

Matt Strozewski – Vice Chair Andrea Dolezal – Trustee Cheryl Hecht – Trustee

Administrators present:

Jeff Elliott, Superintendent/Principal
Britton Mann, District Clerk

Staff: Devyn Ottman – Zoom Meeting Operator

Visitors: None

CALL ELEMENTARY BOARD TO ORDER

The Elementary Board was called to order at 5:30 p.m. by Matt, who led the Pledge of Allegiance.

AGENDA REVIEW

Nothing.

APPROVAL OF CLAIMS

Britton explained the issue with warrant 9847 and 9848. As she was running check #9847, Black Mountain unexpectedly logged off, while initiating the check to be printed. When she logged back in to the system, it showed that check 9847 was already tied to the claim however there was no check printed. She had to void check 9847 and reissue it with check 9848. The claims checklist shows checks 9847 in the amount of 0 and 9848 in the amount of \$7200.96. This was a claim to OPI. There were no more questions regarding the claims. Andrea motioned to approve claims and warrant with the prior month ending with warrant #9831 and the current warrant numbers #9832-9883 in the amount of \$105,703.21. Noted that warrant number 9847 is void and replaced with warrant 9848. Cheryl seconded, all present approved. Claims were present for review.

REVIEW OF PREVIOUS MONTH PAYROLL

There were no questions or comments regarding the February 2022 payroll.

APPROVAL OF PREVIOUS MONTH MINUTES

Cheryl motioned to approve the regular meeting minutes for February 2022, Andrea seconded the motion, all approved. Andrea motioned to approved the Special meeting minutes from March 2, 2022. Cheryl seconded, all present approved.

APPROVAL OF STUDENT ACTIVITIES

The Activities ledger was in the packet for approval and discussion. There was a question on the deposits made. Britton stated that these were deposits from a fundraiser that Rochelle Hesford organized for the daycare. There were no other questions regarding Student Activities. Andrea motioned to approved the Student Activities ledger as presented. Cheryl seconded, all present approved.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Matt read the Public Comment.

COMMUNICATIONS

LETTERS: None
STUDENT ISSUES: None

COMMENDATIONS /RECOGNITIONS

Nothing at this time.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

None

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Leadership – Chair and Vice chair: Carrie Harris & Matt Strozewski: This committee did not meet.

Handbook/Policy – Cheryl Hecht & Andrea Dolezal: This committee did not meet.

Budget/Finance and Negotiations/Personnel – Carrie Harris & Cheryl Hecht: This committee did not meet. Mr. Elliott said he would like to meet with this committee to re-vamp the attendance policy so appointments don't affect attendance. He also

said that with negotiations starting, the committee might have to meet to discuss language in the CBA (Collective Bargaining Unit). Jeff shared the negotiations schedule with the board.

Facilities – Matt Strozewski & Andrea Dolezal: The committee did not meet. Mr. Elliott and Britton are working on reviewing the contract with Central Heating and Plumbing.

Transportation – Andrea Dolezal & Cheryl Hecht: This committee did not meet.

ADMINISTRATORS REPORT

Mr. Elliott provided notes for the official minutes.

1. **Student Centered:**

- Moving forward with KinderCub. Working on setting a date for KinderCub registration.
- CSCT – Mrs. Marsh finished on March 11th and Mrs. Moffett will finish March 25th
- Working with JHS to get two classes next year for Jr High. (Spanish and Woods)
- Montana Shakes was at the school today for a performance and workshops.

2. **Maintaining a positive school culture:**

- Continuing with Boulder Elementary “Rock Stars”
- Family Engagement Coordinator: Working on Kindergarten and KinderCub roundups.

3. **Improving Instruction:**

- Summer Reading Blast – This will run in conjunction with the Summer Program. The hope is to fill in gaps for learning loss due to covid schedules. It will be 1.5 hours per day for 4 days a week during the 6-week summer program.
- The focus has been on ELA and Reading, however we will begin to look at our Math scores and how we can support growth in math.
- Grade Level Team Meetings – Mrs. Ottman creates scheduled activities for students so the teachers can meet during that time. Has been going very well. Using WIN: “What I Need”

4. **Community Engagement and Communication:**

- Headstart and KinderFirst
- Kindergarten Roundup
- Southwest Youth Montana – Matt asked when the daycare should open. Mr. Elliott stated that the goal is May but not 100% sure if everything will be ready by then.

Mr. Elliott asked if there were any other questions from the board. Cheryl asked what types of activities are scheduled for the upcoming grade level team meetings. Mr. Elliott stated that for the 6-8th graders, Mrs. Ottman is doing activities on finding your voice, and accepting other kids, also using technology in a positive way. Focusing on how social media can affect a person positively and negatively. They want to hone in on kindness and being respectful. Andrea asked if the buddy bench is still in effect. Mrs. Ottman and Mr. Elliott weren't sure what that was. Andrea explained that a bench was put on the playground on the primary end and if students saw someone sitting on the bench, that was a clue to let other kids know that the individual on the bench was lonely or needing to play with someone so other kids would come over and invite them to play or whatever. Mr. Elliott liked the idea.

NEW BUSINESS

1. **Personnel** –

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- a. Open Positions – Mr. Elliott stated that there were 9 applicants for the 3rd grade position and none so far for the KinderCub position. He said he would get interviews set up before the net meeting.

Non Resident Student Acceptance – *Standing Agenda Item* – None

Liquidation of School Property – *Standing Agenda Item* – There are a lot of old uniforms being stored above the gym. Mr. Elliott would like to give those away to students who are interested.

Recommendation to set Negotiations schedule – Andrea motioned to approve the

schedule as presented, April 4th – May 23rd as needed. Cheryl seconded, all approved.

Teacher Evaluations – Mr. Elliott has 3 evaluations left and will then start on the classified staff.

Permissive Levy Resolution – Cheryl motioned to approve and post the Permissive Levy Resolution. Andrea seconded the motion, all approved.

Matt asked if there were any questions or comments from the public. Mrs. Ottman stated that there was nothing at this time.

TOPICS FOR
FUTURE AGENDAS

Board Evaluation
Clerk Evaluation
Approve 2022-2023 Calendar
Coaching Positions

ADJOURNMENT

Carrie adjourned the meeting at 6:17.


Chair, Elementary Board


Clerk, Elementary Board