

Swan River School District #4
1205 Swan Hwy
Bigfork, MT 59911

July 13, 2020

The Swan River School Board of Trustees met in regular session on Monday July 13, 2020 at 4:00 p.m. in the school cafeteria. Luke Adamson, Board chair presided over the entire meeting.

TRUSTEE MEMBERS PRESENT: Luke Adamson, Dan Elwell, Nels Hammack and Linda Stewart

TRUSTEE MEMBERS ABSENT: Brooke Johnston

ALSO PRESENT:

Principal Marc Bunker, District Clerk Dee Johnson, Tracy Stahlberg, Callie Devine, Brianne Aho and Marcia Ham

CALL TO ORDER:

Meeting called to order at 4:00 p.m.

Correspondence: None

Public participation on non-agenda items

ACTION ITEMS:

Approval of Consent Agenda

Motion to approve Consent Agenda

Hire Brianne Aho (second grade) Tracy Stahlberg(aide) Callie Devine (aide)
Marcia Ham (Title)

Motion : Dan Elwell

Second: Nels Hammack

Passed unanimously

PTO report: None

Teacher's Organization report: None

Committee reports: Mr. Bunker reported on the interview committee and the new hires recommended and approved. Re-opening plan committee met and discussed the different phases and what that will look like for our school. Recommends sending a basic survey based on state guidelines to all parents and staff for input on what opening will look like for individuals and concerns. RE-opening plan will be sent out with survey.

Clerk report: The audit for the fiscal year 2019 is completed with no findings.

Principals report: Nu-Tech is working on Roof A: and should be finished up soon. Still waiting on proposals from Artisan and Calaway. There is a possible candidate for the After School Program director if the program continues. There is no recommendation at this time. Mr. Bunker has submitted the ESSR application for funds related to Covid 19

Unfinished Business:

Bid from Valley Fence to move back and fix part of fence that is pushed back from snow removal (attached). No other bids were given to us.

Motion to accept bid and work from Valley Fence:

Motion: Dan Elwell

Second: Nels Hammack

Passed unanimously

New Business

A: First grade out of district applications

We have received 2 additional out of district applications that puts first grade over the 90% cap to accept out of district. Marc has talked to New first grade teacher and her preference is to not have more students than allowed but would comply with any decision.

While Marc and the board do not like turning away students, they feel we need to follow policy as we could be getting more in district students and an Aide would have to be hired for the classroom. They would be welcome to check back before school starts to see if numbers have changed.

Motion to not accept the 2 out of district applications

Motion: Linda Stewart

Second: Luke Adamson

Passed unanimously

B: Out of district attendance

Motion to accept out of district attendance for the rest of classrooms that have the room and are not over the 90% limit

Motion: Dan Elwell

Second: Nels Hammack

Passed unanimously

C: Flathead Special ed and crossroads agreements

Motion to accept agreements with Flathead special ed coop and Crossroads for students to attend programs if applicable

Motion: Nels Hammack

Second: Linda Stewart

Passed unanimously

D: Agreements with Bigfork for Transportation and sports agreements

Motion to approve agreement with Bigfork for the transportation of Swan River School district students who are enrolled in Bigfork at no cost to the Swan River District and the agreement for Swan River students to be involved in Bigfork Sports where applicable.

Motion: Nels Hammack

Second: Luke Adamson

Passed unanimously

Topics for August Agenda: Roof updated, After School Program and Re-opening plan

Adjourn:

Motion to adjourn meeting at 4:40 p.m.

Motion: Dan Elwell

Seconded: Linda Stewart

Passed unanimously

Luke Adamson, Board Chair

Dee Johnson, District Clerk