

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

February 8, 2021

The Swan River School Board of Trustees met in regular session on Monday February 8, 2021 at 4:00 p.m. in the 6th grade room. Luke Adamson, Board chair presided over the entire meeting.

TRUSTEE MEMBERS PRESENT: Luke Adamson, Brooke Johnston, Dan Elwell, Sherianne Schow and Linda Stewart

TRUSTEE MEMBERS ABSENT:

ALSO PRESENT:

Principal Marc Bunker, District Clerk Dee Johnson, Brant Estes, Kyle from Kelley Connect, Stephanie Tinney, Natalie Corona, Sue Sande, Brie Aho, Brianna Fuzesy, Shelley Emslie, Amber Jensen, and Christina Brevik

CALL TO ORDER:

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

Correspondence: None

Public participation on non-agenda items

A question about games & participation for Schools allowing spectators and what the procedure will be for us. Marc cannot speak for other schools and he is following the direction from the health dept which directed us to allow 1 household unit per player and socially distance in the stands. Board suggested calling other schools and to keep in contact with the health department to follow guidelines.

ACTION ITEMS:

Approval of Consent Agenda

Claims and prior minutes

Motion to approve Consent Agenda

Motion : Brooke Johnston

Second: Dan Elwell

Passed unanimously

PTO report: Virtual book fair coming in May. Jump rope for heart coming soon. It was suggested to do a Jump rope for Haley instead. That has since been changed and will be kept Jump rope for heart. Teacher appreciation is planned for May. There is a plan to hold a Garage sale the 2nd Saturday in June, with booth rentals.

Teacher's Organization report: There is a student teacher in the 4th grade. Mr. Waddle is in the process of getting his Teaching degree. Committee reports: Tech and safety committee's have met.

Principals report: Mr. Bunker stated that he feels good about the efforts to maintain focus on education. 3rd grade is on track meeting expectations. Middle school has made an adjustment to their schedule's. Early out meetings consisted of Shelley giving a tech presentation and Shanna giving a presentation on writing. There have been no confirmed cases of covid since Thanksgiving, with a couple quarantines for possible contact from outside of school. We continue to operate on site as normal as possible and rely on the Health dept for their guidance. Girls bball is going well. Spectators are allowed following with 1 family unit allowed per player. The behavior issues we were most concerned about are doing quite well. Water test results have come back and we are very good as far as lead in the fixtures. Will discuss during the action item.

Challenges: Working on staff evaluations and standardized testing. The 8th trip could be a challenge and possibly condensed this year. Other avenues to hire a para have not been successful. We are in need of at least ½ time mostly in middle school. Finding Subs is a challenge but holding together. We are also moving towards being a more trauma informed school.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

NEW BUSINESS

A: Toshiba copy machine

Kyle from Kelly Connect who is a representative for business in office solutions, attended the board meeting to go over his proposal to replace our Sharp which is nearing the end of it's life expectancy. Kyle proposed a Toshiba Machine and the cost is less than what we are paying in

maintenance currently. Attached email with overview. \$139.00 a month for machine. Pay as we go per copy with a 60 month lease. Very user friendly. Dan was wondering if they have sold these machines to any other schools? StillWater Christian has one and A Lot of schools in Missoula. This machine sells at \$31,000 but our cost is \$6500.00 because of NASPO contracts with schools. No more than 8% lease increase each year. The Board thanked Kyle and stated that we will need to get another bid. Kyle suggested to ask other bid if they offer Naspo contract

Motion to table

Motion: Sherianne Schow

Second: Brooke Johnston

Passed unanimously

B: Mitigation Plan for water testing

Discussed Mitigation plan and decided to get quotes on fixtures to be replaced for the \$1000 grant and go from there. Motion to get a price on fixtures within the \$1000 grant

Motion: Dan Elwell

Second: Sherianne Schow

Passed unanimously

C: Playground committee discussed. Marc recommends a committee of 5 with 1-2 trustees 1-2 staff members and 1-2 parents

Brooke volunteered to be a trustee on the committee. Motion made to have Brooke as the trustee rep and have Marc choose the rest. Stephanie Tinney Volunteered to be one of the parents and Linda stated she could be on the committee also.

Motion: Dan Elwell

Second: Sherianne Schow

Passed unanimously

D: Lane changes. Three (3) Teachers have turned in letters of intent to change lanes for the 2021-2022 school year. Brianne Fuzesy, Sherry Bradstreet, and Christina Brevik (who will give her letter to Marc tomorrow) All credits must be submitted to Mr. Bunker by First Payroll in September 2021. Motion to accept lane changes

Motion: Dan Elwell

Second: Sherianne Schow

Passed unanimously

E: Certified intent to negotiate

Certified staff turned in a letter for intent to negotiate for the 2021-2022 school year. They have their representatives chosen. The board will decide at the March meeting who will be the representative's for the board of trustees.

Motion: Brooke Johnston

Second: Sherianne Schow

Passed unanimously

F: Consider 2 out of district requests for current year. Two students both in 5th grade have asked to be enrolled this year and are out of district. Marc's recommendation for enrolling those students this school year would be to not allow as 5th grade is at capacity and no established siblings. Motion to deny out of district attendance for the 2 students

Motion: Dan Elwell

Second: Sherianne Schow

Passed unanimously

Topics next agenda: Board committee for negotiations and finance committee with separate representatives for each committee and Copy machine and faucet replacements updates.

Adjourn:

Motion to adjourn meeting at 4:45p.m.

Motion: Linda Stewart

Seconded: Sherianne Schow

Passed unanimously

Luke Adamson, Board Chair

Dee Johnson, District Clerk