

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

March 14, 2022

The Swan River School Board of Trustees met in regular session on Monday, March 14, 2022 at 4:30 p.m. in the Eighth grade room. Dan Elwell, Board chair presided over the entire meeting.

TRUSTEE MEMBERS PRESENT: Dan Elwell, Brianna Anderson, Linda Stewart and Kim Johnston

TRUSTEE MEMBERS ABSENT: Brooke Johnston

ALSO PRESENT:

Principal JJ Lamb, District Clerk Dee Johnson, Domenic Tarabochia, Shelley Emslie, Brandy Vickrey, Shanna Burchwell, Stephanie Tinney, Britt Laird, David Laird and Hayden Congdon

CALL TO ORDER:

Meeting called to order at 4:32 p.m.

Correspondence: None

Public participation on non-agenda items:

ACTION ITEMS:

Approval of Consent Agenda

Motion to approve items on the Consent Agenda

Motion : Brianna Anderson

Second: Kim Johnston

Passed unanimously

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PTO report: Report from Stephanie Tinney that the book fair is on schedule for may 11-13 with a community dinner night, art displays and the band performing.

Teachers Organization:

Shanna Burchwell read a letter of support.
attached

Committee reports:

Safety committee met and JJ had gravel priced out to be delivered. When staff parking is moved there will be a plan drew up to send out to parents on traffic flow. Will have an intersection meeting with D.o.t. etc...

Principal report: Girls Basketball has ended with 5&6 taking 2nd place and 7&8 taking 3rd. First archery tournament in Arlee was completed and all of our students did very well with most of our students placing.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

A: NONE

Motion:

Second:

Passed unanimously

NEW BUSINESS ACTION AND/OR DISCUSSION

A: Hayden Congdon demonstration on Math Curriculum.

Hayden gave a presentation on the new Math Curriculum he would like to see put into place. This curriculum challenges the students compared to textbooks. The current math curriculum is from 2006. The cost of the program is 6 yrs for \$14,000 5th through 8th grade.

Questions:

What happens if technology goes down?

Printed material would be available

Brandy Vickrey is using printed materials currently.

What if a student is absent?

Math can be done from home and if they do not have the technology at home, printed material can be sent home or done later.

Is there an alignment from elementary to middle school?

Currently K-4 using Go math, and can apply when going into 5th.

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Can the more challenged students keep up with the advanced?
Hayden would work with smaller groups to help catch up.

Can we extend the trial date?
JJ Will check into this to see if we can extend until the end of school year

Brianna and Kim would like to come in and watch a lesson before any decisions.

Motion to table Math Curriculum

Motion: Brianna Anderson

Second: Kim Johnston

Passed unanimously

B: Consideration and adoption of resolution of permissive levies:
This is the annual permissive levy approval that we can levy. To help with building maintenance. Mills would decrease (attached)

Questions from the public on the mills.

Motion to approve Permissive levy for an amount of \$35,350.00

Motion: Brianna Anderson

Second: Kim Johnston

Passed unanimously

C: Consider board committee for finance and negotiations:

Finance Committee will be Kim and Brooke

Negotiations Committee will be Dan and Brianna

Motion: Kim Johnston

Second: Brianna Anderson

Passed unanimously

D: 2022-2023 Calendar

Motion to approve Calendar for the 2022-2023 school year.

Motion: Brianna Anderson

Second: Linda Stewart

Passed unanimously

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Topics/ Discussions for next agenda:

Math

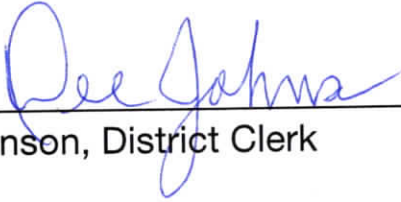
Graduation

Projects update

Motion to adjourn meeting at 6:07 p.m.



Dan Elwell



Dee Johnson, District Clerk

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