

OCTOBER 20, 2015—REGULAR BOARD MEETING—7:00 P.M.  
SAVAGE SCHOOL  
LIBRARY

**PRESENT:** Charlene Jonsson, Lance Miller, Michelle Smith, John Stonehocker, Shawn Conradsen, Superintendent Lynne Peterson and Clerk Diana Miller

**VISTORS:** Angie Nelson, Henry Huber, and Crystal Stonehocker

1.0 **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:** All joined in the Pledge of Allegiance

2.0 **PUBLIC COMMENT:** There was no public comment

3.0 **CONSENT AGENDA:** September Minutes  
Warrants/Claims-#17349-#17395, #86561-#86147, #35417-35195  
Student Accounts Reports

After some discussion, it was suggested by the Chairman of the Board to note who was not at the Board meetings as well as those who were. This will be corrected on the minutes. Also noted on the minutes a word no should be replaced by not. This will also be corrected. Michelle Smith made a motion to approve the consent agenda with the corrections. Lance Miller seconded the motion. All voted yes. The motion carried.

5.0 **ACTIVITIES DIRECTOR REPORT**

Henry Huber reported that the Junior High Elementary Volleyball and Football seasons are over. He thought Melissa Papka and Michael Bender did a good job and he saw some improvement this year. Henry recommended Brady Reuter as Junior High Boys Basketball Coach, Kola Miller as Assistant Girls Basketball Coach and Garry Miller as Assistant Boys Basketball Coach. This will be determined later in the agenda.

6.0 **PRINCIPAL'S REPORT**

Angie Nelson reported that she went to MCEL, she has been getting some field experience, is conducting a review of some policies and is starting to do some evaluations. She did meet with some at MCEL concerning the Smarter Balance system which has not seen an improvement over last year. It is still a work in progress. This is common core testing.

7.0 **SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT**

1. Lynne Peterson also went to MCEL. She mostly attended teacher recruitment and licensure meetings. 80% of the schools in Montana are rural and are in need of teachers.
2. The state is looking into a background check system for the education system.
3. Lynne would like to sign up for MASTERY CONNECT. This is a data base of assessments and bank of tests that the teachers could use in their subject areas. Teachers will be able to see their results immediately. We will only have to pay \$1,000.00 while Data for Literacy will pay the remaining \$4,000.00. We will pay for this out of REAP funds that have to be spent by December 31, 2015.
4. Maeve MacStevens secured a grant from Midrivers to help us pay for the new Smart Board.
5. STAND representative Vicky Strand was in to talk about getting speakers for assemblies. We can share this cost with other schools. Kat Perkins will be giving a concert on October 27, 2015. Grades 9-12 will be attending from Savage.
6. We have had a Fire drill and will be having an Earthquake drill soon. We have to have safety drills 8 times a year.
7. Godfrey Sanders will be here on Wednesday, October 21, 2015 at 3:00 p.m. He is Angie's principal mentor.

## 8.0 OLD BUSINESS

### 8.1 FOUR DAY SCHOOL WEEK

This was discussed at some length. Crystal Stonehocker feels it is in the best interest of her students to be home the extra day and the community would probably like that as well. Angie spoke on the harm a shorter week would do to the special needs students who need the extra structure. Angie feels that the Board needs to do more research and that a survey should be given to the community for their input. The consensus of the Board is to do a survey for both community and staff in the near future. Chairman Jonsson requested that the Board come to the next meeting with questions for the survey.

### 8.2 SENIOR TRIP POLICY

There was some discussion about the changes needed in the Senior Trip Policy. Travel mileage or destinations need to be a little more defined to allow for trips further away. We need to add the 6<sup>th</sup> grade to earning money working concessions as well as the 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> grade. Grades 9 and 10 do not sell magazines any more either. We have not been requiring two parents and two faculty members to chaperone the students on their trips for a while. We need to remove that as well.

This item was tabled until the next meeting.

### 8.3 STUDENT HANDBOOK CHANGES

The Board thanked Michelle Smith for retyping the Student Handbook in a more user friendly format. Charlene Jonsson emailed the handbook to Joe Brott and Chris Koss at MTSBA for their legal input.

### 8.4 PROPERTY FOR SALE

No action was taken. The Board is not looking to add to their landlord duties at this time.

## 9.0 ITEMS FOR CONSIDERATION

### 9.1 BASKETBALL ASSISTANT COACHES AND JUNIOR HIGH BOYS' BASKETBALL COACH

- a. Henry Huber recommended Brady Reuter as Junior High Boys' Basketball coach. Lance Miller made a motion to hire Brady as the boys coach. Michelle Smith seconded the motion. All voted yes and the motion carried.
- b. Henry recommended Kola Miller as the Assistant Girls Basketball Coach. This is a rehire so there is no need for any abstentions from the Board members who are related. Shawn Conradsen made a motion to rehire Kola Miller as the Assistant Girls Basketball Coach. John Stonehocker seconded the motion. All voted yes. The motion carried.
- c. Henry recommended Garry Miller as the Assistant Boys Basketball Coach. Shawn Conradsen made a motion to hire Garry Miller as the Assistant. John Stonehocker seconded the motion. Charlene, Shawn and John all voted yes. Michelle Smith and Lance Miller abstained from voting due to family relationship. The motion carried.

### 9.2 POSSIBLE PURCHASE OF CHROME BOOKS

Lynne Peterson presented a proposal by Pinecove to purchase 60 Chrome Books for the school for the students to use. There was some discussion about that, pros and cons. It will be \$895.00 per month for the next three years but there is money available in REAP and also Technology. It would mean less frustration and easier access for the students. This agreement is renewable in three years with new equipment. Michelle Smith made a motion to approve the purchase through lease of the Chrome Books. Lance Miller seconded the motion. Charlene, Lance, Michelle and Shawn voted yes and John Stonehocker voted no. The motion carried.

### 9.3 CLASSIFIED POSITION WAGES

There was some discussion about changing Terry Adolph's work hours to 50 hours a week whether he works them or not to average his salary out for the year. Shawn Conradsen made a motion to change the hours to 50 hours a week. Lance Miller seconded the motion. Diana asked how vacation and sick days will affect that salary. There was then a lot of discussion ending with the motion being withdrawn by Shawn and the item tabled until the next meeting following some research.

9.4 **APPROVE OUT OF DISTRICT STUDENT**

Jordan MacSteves wants to attend school in Savage transferring from Glendive. Michelle Smith made a motion to approve Jordan to attend Savage School. Shawn Conradsen seconded the motion. All voted yes. The motion carried.

9.5 **DISCARD LIST**

There will need to be Obsolete Materials resolution published to allow the school to sell or dispose to the following items. They include miscellaneous books and computers. Shawn Conradsen made a motion to publish the resolution. Lance Miller seconded the motion. All voted yes.

There will be a Strategic Planning Meeting on Monday, October 26, 2015 at 6:00 p.m. through 9:00 p.m.

The next regular meeting is set for November 17, 2015 at 7:00 p.m.

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Chairman

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Clerk