

SEPTEMBER 26<sup>TH</sup>, 2017—REGULAR BOARD MEETING—7:00 P.M.  
SAVAGE SCHOOL  
BOARD ROOM/CLERK'S OFFICE

**PRESENT:** Charlene Jonsson, Lance Miller, Michelle Smith, Shawn Conradsen, Brandon Ler, Principal Angella Nelson, Superintendent Lynne Peterson and Clerk Diana Miller.

**VISITORS:** Henry Huber and Daniel Chausse'

1.0 CALL TO ORDER

2.0 PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE; All joined in the Pledge of Allegiance

3.0 PUBLIC COMMENT

- 3.1 Diana presented a request for the Board to consider the giving the Classified Staff bereavement days in addition to their state awarded sick and vacation days. The classified staff is able to use sick leave for bereavement but if their sick leave is used up, they have to use vacation. Since the teachers were able to have bereavement days included in their CBA, Diana just wanted the Board to look at the possibility of treating all staff in the same manner in a usually very sad time.
- 3.2 Diana also presented the fact that OPI had called her to change her General Fund budgets by removing the School Block Grants as funding revenue. The Elementary was changed by \$716.99 and the High School was changed by \$529.07. These amounts were put into both Districts Flexibility Funds. The reason for the changes was that these amounts will not be distributed by the state at all.
- 3.3 The next budget change was recommended by the Richland County School Superintendent and the Treasurer. They felt that Diana had underfunded the High School Transportation Fund. Therefore, Diana changed the High School Transportation Fund Budget to \$55,000.00 up from \$47,000. This will increase our reserves for next year so our fund stays out of the negative balance. This is a permissive levy. The Board will approve this at the next meeting.
- 3.4 Michelle Smith has an idea for an Athletic Fund fundraiser. She is planning a Formal Masquerade Party for New Year's Eve at the Savage Hall. The tickets would be \$50.00 per person and that would pay for all eats and drinks all night. There will also be some Silent Auction items and a large Live Auction item. Proceeds will be donated to the athletic fund. She just wants the Board's approval.
- 3.5 Shawn Conradsen brought up that he would like to see a Birthday Calendar being made again at the school. The Music Sponsors used to do that but stopped a few years ago due to lack of interest. The Music teacher and Lynne will have some discussion about that.
- 3.6 Diana then also mentioned that District II Drug and Alcohol would like to sponsor a calendar for the school. They mentioned that they are sponsoring a pocket sports calendar for Fairview. It is something to think about.

4.0 CONSENT AGENDA

- 4.1 August Meeting Minutes
- 4.2 Claims/Warrants-#19051-#19064, #19065-#19118
- 4.3 Student Activities

There were a lot of questions about the Agri Industries plumbing bill. The amount was over \$24,000.00 and there was a lot of discussion why. Lynne did explain that \$8,000.00 was from the Rental Fund. The trustees thought that we should do more negotiations with the amount of money charged but Agri Industries is very good about responding in a very timely manner. Lynne will look into the miscellaneous charges on each bill.

Shawn Conradsen made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda as presented. Michelle Smith seconded the motion. All voted yes and the motion carried.

## 5.0 ACTIVITIES DIRECTOR'S REPORT

- 5.1 There is still talk at MHSA about combining Class C 8 man and 6 man football state championship games in Billings or Butte.
- 5.2 The Football jerseys are in serious need of replacement. Henry feels they could even be a safety hazard. They are only two years old but maybe the rotation needs to be shortened for Football uniforms. Lynne said this is possible but a girls' sport would also need to have new uniforms early as well.
- 5.3 Junior High helmets need to be replaced or reconditioned too. There are some High School helmets that need that as well.
- 5.4 According to athletic costs it might be good to start charging each athlete for each sport and according to cost. Football for example would be charged at \$100.00 per player.
- 5.5 Junior High/Elementary Volleyball that travels for an all-day tournament should be fed. It is a long day and even though the mileage isn't the rule, they should still be fed. This policy can be adapted and Henry was asked to bring some language to the next meeting.
- 5.6 The last 9 games that basketball teams play will determine the standings for the seeding of the tournaments.
- 5.7 Admission prices can be set by the hosting town. Henry feels we should raise our prices.
- 5.8 Basketball warmups will be 15 minutes now. Lynne voted to combine both boys and girls state basketball tournaments at the meeting for that.
- 5.9 There are some western districts that want to increase the amount of qualifiers they can bring to the state track meet. Lynne voted against that. A qualifying time or throw is what matters.
- 5.10 Henry thinks we should charge for Junior High and Elementary games because we have to pay for MOA officials. This will be researched.
- 5.11 We need to encourage more activity bus drivers to apply. Henry wondered if we should increase our wages per hour.
- 5.12 Henry also said we should put a clause in our rental agreements that the tenants may use the weight room as a fitness center so we could use the rental fund for updating weight room equipment. Good idea.

## 6.0 PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

- 6.1 Fast Bridge testing with all of the K-6 grade students has been completed. This helps determine which students would qualify for Title I help in the classroom.
- 6.2 Homecoming was a success even with the weather problems and the other team's issues.
- 6.3 The new reading series is going well but there have been a few glitches found and it is also taking up more time than planned.

## 7.0 SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

The complete report is included in the Board Minutes.

- 7.1 Lynne discussed the issues with our heating system and what the MSGIA engineer found today. This will be ongoing.
- 7.2 We are still updating the rentals now with screen doors and a front door.
- 7.3 Hearing and Visions screening was done today.
- 7.4 Flu shots will be available on October 12<sup>th</sup>.
- 7.5 PIR day with Yellowstone Writing Project on Friday, September 29<sup>th</sup>.
- 7.6 Lynne is working with the Janitors trying to find a good working schedule to get everything done.
- 7.7 There will be more Budget reductions.

## 8.0 ITEMS FOR CONSIDERATION

- 8.1 SET OCTOBER MEETING DATE  
Since October will be busy with MCEL and beet harvest it was decided to have the meeting on Monday, October 23<sup>rd</sup> at 7:00 p.m.
- 8.2 HANDBOOK LANGUAGE FOR CELL PHONE USE  
This was tabled until a future meeting.

Shawn Conradsen made a motion to have the Board Meetings in the Clerk's Office/Board Room. Lance Miller seconded the motion. All voted yes and the motion carried.

8.4 **JOURNALISM CLASS**

Alan Hoffman did not have any students sign up for his Digital Media Class so he has been teaching Emily Reynolds Journalism at the period. Lynne would like to make that an official class so that Emily can get credit for it and it will be on her transcript. Lance Miller made a motion to officially have a Journalism Class taught by Alan Hoffmann. Michelle Smith seconded the motion. All voted yes. The motion carried.

8.5 **NEW TRANSPORTATION FORMS**

Since we have so many games and meets that we can't find bus drivers for, we have to ask parents to drive. They most times take other players in addition to their own so the district needs to have some legal supporting documents for liability. The new form will have parents providing the district with fingerprints, proof of insurance and a legal driver's license. There will also be a Voluntary Agreement they will have to sign that indicates the protocol that will need to be followed and that their service is voluntary, not a paid position. If a parent only drives their own player none of the above is applicable. No action was taken.

8.6 **NEW SUBSTITUTE TEACHERS**

There were no new substitutes so no action was taken.

8.7 **STIPEND FOR PEP BAND AND MUSIC FESTIVAL**

Michelle Smith made a motion to offer \$2,188.00 for a Music Festival/Pep Band extra duty contract to Daniel Chausse'. This is in the CBA as a no experience contract amount. Lance Miller seconded the motion. All voted yes and the motion carried.

8.8 **POSSIBLE INCREASE IN TICKET PRICE FOR BASKETBALL ALL GAMES**

This was discussed and the Board felt the ticket prices were okay so no action was taken.

8.9 **OFFICIAL SCHOOL COLORS, MASCOT, SONG AND LOGO**

The official school colors, mascot, song and logo should be in school policy somewhere. Michelle Smith made a motion to approve the orange and black colors for Savage, the Warrior as the Mascot, Notre Dame Victory March as the song and the Warrior Head with full headdress as our logo. Shawn Conradsen seconded the motion. All voted yes, the motion carried. It was discussed that large fundraisers outside the school need to have Board approval before they can use our name in their advertising. Class fundraisers are approved by administration. Shawn Conradsen made a motion to approve the Masquerade Ball on New Year's Eve that Michelle Smith and Burns Creek Inn are sponsoring for the Athletic Fund. Brandon Ler seconded the motion. Charlene, Lance, Shawn and Brandon voted yes and Michelle Smith abstained due to her business being involved. The motion carried.

8.10 **FIRST READINGS OF BOARD POLICY CHANGES- #1005F, #1006F, #1009FE, #3224, #3416, #5122F**

Since these are changes in required policies it is unnecessary to have a second reading. Michelle Smith made a motion to approve the changes. Lance Miller seconded the motion. All voted yes and the motion carried.

8.11 **FIRST READINGS OF NEW BOARD POLICIES #1014FE, #1014FE-F1, #3124, #4350, #5721**

The policies were sent home with the Trustees for them to read. No action was taken.

8.12 **DISCARD LIST-FOLDING CHAIRS, PIANO**

The Board would like to sell the folding chairs that are no longer needed for a minimal price. Lance Miller made a motion to publish the Obsolete resolution for this month and also for last month's items. Michelle Smith seconded the motion. All voted yes. The motion carried.

**9.0 OLD BUSINESS**

**9.1 STRATEGIC PLAN MEETING**

We need to set a date to review and edit our strategic plan. This was tabled until the next meeting.

The meeting adjourned at 9:06 p.m.

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Chairman

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Clerk