

MINUTES
LAMOTTE SCHOOL DISTRICT 43
BOARD OF TRUSTEES REGULAR MEETING
September 19, 2012 4:00 p.m.

The regular meeting of the Board of Trustees, LaMotte School District #43 was held on September 19, 2012 for the purpose of considering business to come before the Board of Trustees. Chair Amy Allen presided.

Chair Allen called the meeting to order at 4:00 p.m.

Trustees Present: Ken Miller, Stacey Etchart, Elisa Eshbaugh, Amy Allen, Karen Sipes-Schmidt

Staff Present: LeeAnn Burke, Principal; Sue Becker, Business Manager; Sally Birkelo, District Clerk

Public Present: Dr. Robert Watson, Bozeman Superintendent of Schools

Pledge of Allegiance

Public Comment: Dr. Watson shared with the Board of Trustees the focus of the school district for the current school year and long-range goals. He identified the priorities for the school year; the largest being the implementation of Common Core Standards. Another priority is increasing communication and partnerships with schools sending students to Bozeman High.

Presiding Trustees Explanation of Procedures

The LaMotte Board of Trustees welcomes public comment on issues and concerns. Members of the community are given an opportunity to make brief comments to the board on any matter not included in the agenda. Comments on agenda items will be accepted when that item comes up during the meeting. Interested persons may also submit views in written form to the Clerk prior to the meeting, and those comments will be brought to the attention of the Board during the meeting.

Minutes of Previous Meeting

August 20, 2012 Regular Meeting

Board Discussion: Trustees reviewed the minutes, finding neither changes nor revisions.

Motion to approve the minutes from Regular Meeting August 20, 2012.

Motion: Trustee Eshbaugh

Second: Trustee Miller

Public Comment: None

Motion passed unanimously.

August 30, 2012 Special Meeting

Board Discussion: Trustees reviewed the minutes, finding neither changes nor revisions.

Motion to approve the minutes from Special Meeting August 30, 2012.

Motion: Trustee Eshbaugh

Second: Trustee Miller

Public Comment: None

Motion passed unanimously

Principal's Report

In her report to the trustees Principal Burke presented to the Board:

- Principal Burke shared that the school has one confirmed case of Whooping Cough. All procedures have been followed as directed by the County Health Department and State of Montana to minimize the spread of Whooping Cough. Parents were notified of the case.
- Enrollment is at 66 students which is increased from last year.
- The mural project will begin in October with artist Allison McCree. The goal is to have the mural painted and mounted before snow sets in. In the spring a landscape artist will plant foliage incorporated into the mural.
- Middle school will take a field trip to Rockhaven for a team building rope course on September 24th.
- The new PE teacher will start on Monday September 24th.
- Monthly flag ceremonies will begin on October 1st with the 7/8 grade class.
- Five teachers will be at a training on September 20th and 21st.
- The internet is working well after adjustments in the first few weeks.
- Principal Burke recognized District Clerk Birkelo for orienting and welcoming the new families at the beginning of the year.

Trustee Discussion and Reports

- Chair Allen shared that the Parent Group meeting was well attended.
- Back to School Legal Primer September 5, 2012- Trustees Eshbaugh and Etchart attended the training. Trustee Eshbaugh shared that the LaMotte Board is in compliance with the information disseminated at the training.

Financial Update

Approval of warrant report # 1866-1874, # 17523-17548 and ACH payments

Board Discussion: Trustees requested reminders about abbreviations on the report.

Motion to approve warrant report # 1866-1874, # 17523-17548 and ACH payments.

Motion: Trustee Eshbaugh

Second: Trustee Sipes-Schmidt

Public Comment: none

Motion passed unanimously.

Agenda Action Items

1. Approval of Substitute List

Board Discussion: Trustees reviewed the substitute list.

Motion to approve the substitute list as prepared by the County Superintendent of Schools.

Motion: Trustee Miller

Second: Trustee Etchart

Public Comment: none

Motion passed unanimously.

2. Resolution Authorizing Issuance of Individual Procurement Cards

Board Discussion: This resolution was passed in December 14, 2012. No action was taken.

Policy

1000 Series review

Board Discussion: The trustees discussed and reviewed the series; no revisions were made excepting policy 1610 with MTSBA recommended revisions as follows.

1610 Annual Goals and Objectives

MTSBA recommended revision

Board Discussion: Trustees agreed that in October the board will review annual goals and objectives.

Motion to approve policy with addition of October date.

Motion: Trustee Eshbaugh

Second: Chair Allen

Public Comment: none

Motion passed unanimously.

2312 Copyright

MTSBA recommended revision

Board Discussion: None

Motion to approve revisions to policy 2312

Motion: Trustee Eshbaugh

Second: Chair Allen

Public Comment: none

Motion passed unanimously.

2312 P Copyright compliance

MTSBA recommended revision

Board Discussion: None

Motion to approve revisions to policy 2312P

Motion: Trustee Eshbaugh

Second: Chair Allen

Public Comment: none

Motion passed unanimously.

2332 Religion and Religious Activities

MTSBA recommended revision

Board Discussion: The Board struck the Baccalaureate paragraph from the policy.

Motion to approve revisions to policy 2332.

Motion: Trustee Eshbaugh

Second: Chair Allen

Public Comment: none

Motion passed unanimously.

2333 Participation in Commencement Exercises

MTSBA recommended revision

Board Discussion: This policy does not apply to LaMotte as it is a high school policy. Trustees took no action on this policy.

2335 Health Enhancement

MTSBA recommended revision

Board Discussion: None

Motion to approve policy 2335

Motion: Trustee Eshbaugh

Second: Chair Allen

Public Comment: none

Motion passed unanimously.

33141 Discretionary Nonresident Student Attendance Policy First Reading

The policy was reviewed and changes made as the first reading. This policy will be on the October agenda as a second reading.

600P Student Records Procedure

MTSBA recommended revision

Board Discussion: None
Motion to approve policy 3600P.
Motion: Trustee Eshbaugh
Second: Chair Allen
Public Comment: none
Motion passed unanimously.

3600F1 Student Records Notification

MTSBA recommended revision

Board Discussion: None
Motion to approve policy 3600F1
Motion: Trustee Eshbaugh
Second: Chair Allen
Public Comment: none
Motion passed unanimously.

4331 Use of School Property for Posting Notices

MTSBA recommended revision

Board Discussion: None
Motion to approve policy 4331
Motion: Trustee Eshbaugh
Second: Chair Allen
Public Comment: none
Motion passed unanimously.

8425 Service Animals

MTSBA recommended revision

Board Discussion: None
Motion to approve policy 8425
Motion: Trustee Eshbaugh
Second: Chair Allen
Public Comment: none
Motion passed unanimously.

Adjournment

Motion to adjourn at 5:20 p.m.
Motion: Trustee Sipes Schmidt
Second: Trustee Eshbaugh
Public Comment: None
Motion passed unanimously.

The next regular meeting of the Board of Trustees is October 24, 2012 at 4:00 p.m.

Amy Allen, Board Chair

Sally Birkelo, District Clerk