

MINUTES

Boulder Elementary School District No. 7
Regular Meeting

January 8, 2018
Boulder Elementary School

Board members present:

Bob Warfle Eric Rykal TJ Eyer Carrie Harris Peg Hasner

Administrators present:

Maria Pace, Superintendent/Principal
Britton Mann, District Clerk

Visitors: None

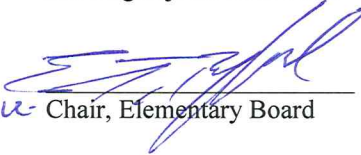
CALL ELEMENTARY BOARD TO ORDER	The Elementary Board was called to order at 5:30 p.m. by Bob, who led the Pledge of Allegiance.
AGENDA REVIEW	None.
PUBLIC COMMENT	None
COMMUNICATIONS	LETTERS: Thank you card received from the staff for the Holiday gifts and brunch provided by the Board. STUDENT ISSUES: None
COMMENDATIONS/ RECOGNITIONS	None
UNFINISHED BUSINESS	None
COMMITTEE REPORTS	Leadership – Chair and Vice chair: Bob Warfle and Eric Rykal: This committee did not meet. Handbook/Policy – Peg Hasner & Carrie Harris: This committee did not meet. Budget/Finance and Negotiations/Personnel – TJ Eyer and Carrie Harris: This committee did not meet. Facilities – Bob Warfle and Eric Rykal: This committee did not meet. Transportation – TJ Eyer and Peg Hasner: This committee did not meet. Ms. Pace said that she would email Mr. Norbeck and Sabrina Steketee at JHS to regarding the shared contract.
ADMINISTRATORS REPORT	Ms. Pace provided notes for the official minutes.
NEW BUSINESS	Personnel – 1. Substitute Teachers – Peg motioned to approve Chantel Palmer as a substitute teacher. Eric seconded the motion which passed unanimously. Non Resident Student Acceptance – <i>Standing Agenda Item</i> – None at this time. Liquidation of School Property – <i>Standing Agenda Item</i> – None at this time. Farm to School Sustainability - <i>Standing Agenda Item</i> – Susie Hartman has reached out to local ranchers and was able to purchase a whole beef and pig. Superintendent Evaluation – TJ sent the evaluation tool out to the board members today 1/8/18 and asked if anyone would mind if this was tabled until the February meeting. The rest of the board as well as Ms. Pace was ok with this idea. Renewal / Non-Renewal Superintendent Contract – Eric motioned to renew Maria Pace as Superintendent of Boulder Elementary. Carrie seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.
CONSENT AGENDA	Eric motioned to approve to approve the consent agenda including minutes from the regular meeting in December 2017, and claims and warrants for January 2018 with the prior month ending with warrant # 7547 and the current warrant numbers 7548 – 7574 in the amount of \$28,229.46. TJ seconded, all present approved.

TOPICS FOR FUTURE
AGENDAS

Superintendent Evaluation
Report on MTSBA State Board Meeting
Superintendent Goals
Grant Information
Curriculum Calendar

ADJOURNMENT

Meeting adjourned at 6:00.


Vice Chair, Elementary Board


Clerk, Elementary Board

MINUTES

Boulder Elementary School District No. 7
Special Meeting

January 10, 2018
Boulder Elementary School

Board members present:

Bob Warfle TJ Eyer Carrie Harris Eric Rykal Peg Hasner

Administrators present:

Maria Pace, Superintendent
Britton Mann, District Clerk

Visitors: Bruce Dyer, Brian Eli, Mike Hesford, Andrew Vigeland, Tony Koenig

CALL ELEMENTARY BOARD TO ORDER The Elementary Board was called to order at 5:30 by Bob, who led the Pledge of Allegiance.

AGENDA REVIEW None

PUBLIC COMMENT None at the moment but would allow public comment towards the end.

NEW BUSINESS **Grievance** – Vice Chair Eric Rykal wanted everyone present to be aware of his association with the MEA/MFT Union and asked the board to weigh in on his participation with the meeting. The remaining board members were fine with Eric participating. Chairman Warfle asked the opinion of Tony Koenig (MTSBA, Director of Legal and HR Services/Senior Counsel) told Eric that if he could set aside his union “hat” and keep his trustee “hat,” he didn’t see any problem with him staying. However if he was not planning on not voting, he should not stay during executive session. Vice Chair Rykal felt he would be fair and impartial with both sides and chose to stay. Superintendent Pace asked Mike Hesford’s role in the meeting. Mr. Hesford stated that he was here as the Grievance Chair for the Union

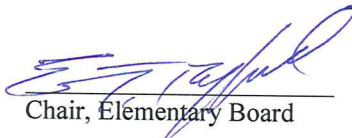
Board Chair Bob Warfle convened the Board of Trustees of Boulder Elementary School District in executive session at 5:40 p.m. Those present included trustees, Eyer, Harris, Hasner, and Rykal. Also present were Superintendent Pace and Clerk Britton Mann. All visitors were also present. The purpose of the executive session is to discuss a grievance filed by Bruce Dyer. Board Chair Warfle found that Mr. Dyer’s right to privacy clearly exceeded the public’s right to know in this matter in accordance with Section 2-3-203, MCA.

The meeting came out of executive session at 7:45 p.m. Vice Chair Rykal recommended to remove complaint labeled “little boy letter” Carrie seconded the motion. All present approved.

Vice Chair Rykal motioned to remove formal letter of reprimand and replace it with an oral reprimand. Carrie seconded the motion. Trustee Hasner agreed, however Trustee Eyer opposed the motion.

Trustee Harris was concerned about staff not feeling comfortable coming forward with any issues and stressed that this needed to be a time of team and morale building. Trustee Hasner told Mr. Dyer that, moving forward, he needed to support Superintendent Pace in front of the staff and both need to work as a team. Both Mr. Dyer and Superintendent Pace agreed.

ADJOURNMENT The meeting adjourned at 7:55.

Vice. 
Chair, Elementary Board


Clerk, Elementary Board