

MINUTES

Boulder Elementary School District No. 7  
Regular Meeting

October 8, 2018  
Boulder Elementary School

Board members present:

Bob Warfle Eric Rykal Carrie Harris Peg Hasner

Administrators present:

Maria Pace, Superintendent/Principal  
Britton Mann, District Clerk

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Visitors: None

CALL ELEMENTARY  
BOARD TO ORDER

The Elementary Board was called to order at 5:33 p.m. by Bob, who led the Pledge of Allegiance.

AGENDA REVIEW

None

PUBLIC COMMENT

None

COMMUNICATIONS

**LETTERS:** Three letters of interest were received for the trustee position. They were from Niki Conroy, Matt Strozewski, and Christine Schultz.  
**STUDENT ISSUES:** None

COMMENDATIONS/  
RECOGNITIONS

Ms. Pace wanted to recognize the staff is doing an amazing job adapting to all of the changes this year. The new reading program has been implemented and is receiving positive feedback from the staff.

UNFINISHED  
BUSINESS

None

COMMITTEE REPORTS

**Leadership** – Chair and Vice chair: Bob Warfle and Eric Rykal: This committee did meet. The discussed the following topics:

1. Policy Updates
2. They discussed the interviews with the para applications.
3. Coordination of the calendars between Jefferson High School and Boulder Elementary.
4. David Kosola has expressed interest in bringing back the DARE program.
5. The Basin lunch program is going well.
6. There is interest in the Junior High to start a student council.
7. They discussed the progression of the literacy grant.
8. Two students from Whitehall requesting to attend Boulder.
9. The Kiwanis group has expressed interest in getting involved with the school with an awards program geared towards hard work, maintaining good grades and staying out of trouble. This would be something that would incentivize students. The Kiwanis club wants the school to dictate what standards the club would reward.
10. The committee set the agenda.

**Handbook/Policy** – Peg Hasner & Carrie Harris: This committee did not meet.

**Budget/Finance and Negotiations/Personnel** – Carrie Harris: This committee did not meet.

**Facilities** – Bob Warfle and Eric Rykal: This committee did not meet.

**Transportation** – Peg Hasner: This committee did not meet. .

ADMINISTRATORS  
REPORT

Ms. Pace provided notes for the official minutes.

1. Last Monday and Tuesday several of the staff along with staff from the high school attended training at Fairmont. Ms. Pace wants to bring a national speaker to the school for the whole staff can benefit from his/her presentation. She also wants the board to become knowledgeable with the grant too.
2. Service Learning has been working on raising money for playground equipment on the Jr High end.

3. October 25<sup>th</sup> is our annual Falling into learning night from 5:30-7:00.

NEW BUSINESS

**Personnel –**

1. Sub Application –
  - a. Carrie motioned to approve all four applications of Erinna Ronayne, Veronica Wilkinson, Maddie Mann and Preston Eckman. Eric seconded the motion, all present approved.
2. New Para – Eric motioned to approve the recommendation of Tawni Pettis as the new para professional. Peg seconded the motion, all present approved.

**Non Resident Student Acceptance – *Standing Agenda Item*** – There is a family who lives on the Whitetail and mom's preference would be to come to Boulder rather than Whitehall. There are two students, one is a 3<sup>rd</sup> grader and the other is a 1<sup>st</sup> grader. Ms. Pace recommended the board approve the FP14's and she will go over the policy with the mom. Eric motioned to approve both students JR & JR, Carrie seconded the motion, all present approved.

**Liquidation of School Property – *Standing Agenda Item*** – There are several lift top desks. Ms. Pace said she could post on the Montana Superintendent's website. Eric motioned to liquidate the lift top desks, Peg seconded, all present approved. Eric also suggested to just give the desks away and not try and sell them.

**Farm to School Sustainability - *Standing Agenda Item*** – Susie Hartman is doing an amazing job and the school is lucky to have her working with the kitchen staff as well as with the students.

**Student Handbook** – Peg motioned to approve the increase the lunch prices in the student handbook, Carrie seconded the motion. All present approved.

**Review School Board Candidates** – Ms. Pace put together an information packet for the board to review including the policies that govern a new trustee midterm. The board discussed how they wanted to conduct the interviews from what policy dictated. They also decided on 15 minute interviews. The board also decided to hold a special meeting on October 16, 2018 for the interviews.

TOPICS FOR FUTURE AGENDAS

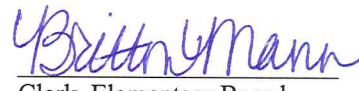
Cancel December Meeting  
Plans for Holiday Party  
Start evaluation process on Ms. Pace

ADJOURNMENT

Peg motioned to approve the consent agenda including minutes from the regular meeting in September 2018, and claims and warrants for October 2018 with the prior month ending with warrant # 7933 and the current warrant numbers 7934-7988 in the amount of \$59,597.95. Carrie seconded, all present approved.

Meeting adjourned at 6:40.

  
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Chair, Elementary Board

  
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Clerk, Elementary Board