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7 **October 12, 2021**
8 **Regular Board Meeting**
9 **7:00 p.m.**
10 **Music Center Choir Room**

11 **1. Opening of Meeting – Call to Order – Present – Salute to Flag:**

12 Chairwoman Cathi Cook called the Board meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. in the Choir
13 Room (Also Broadcast via Zoom). Cathi led in the Pledge of Allegiance. Trustees present were
14 Dan Mullan, Sean Lenahan, Stephanie Esch, Jennifer Gunterman, Sarah Armijo and Ben Meyer.
15 Kris McKoy was not present. Superintendent Bob Moore, Eric Larson, Tracey Rogstad, Brian
16 Gum, Jessica Shourd, Chance Edman and Business Manager/Clerk Bill Schiele were present.

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18 **2. Recognize Visitors/Public Comment:**

19 **Board Comment:**

20 Sarah Armijo thanked everyone for a great Jacket Blackout run. Cathi also thanked
21 everyone for a great homecoming week.

22 **Public Comment:**

23 Audience member Moriah Cochran voiced her concerns about the school district security
24 cameras, the bus drivers' negotiations and the fear of staff speaking out due to retaliation from the
25 administration.

26 **3. Approval of Minutes**

- 27 **A. September 14, 2021**
- 28 **B. September 14, 2021 – Closed Session Provided at Meeting**
- 29 **C. September 17, 2021**
- 30 **D. September 27, 2021**
- 31 **E. September 27, 2021 – Closed Session Provided at Meeting**
- 32 **F. September 29, 2021**

33 Chairwoman Cathi Cook asked the trustees if they had any questions or comments on the
34 minutes for the Regular Board Meeting that was held on September 14, 2021 as presented.

1 Stephanie Esch made a motion to approve the September 14, 2021 Regular Board Meeting
2 minutes as presented. Sean Lenahan seconded the motion. All voted aye.

3 Chairwoman Cathi Cook asked the trustees if they had any questions or comments on the
4 minutes for the Closed Session Meeting that was held on September 14, 2021 as presented. Sean
5 Lenahan made a motion to approve the September 14, 2021 Closed Session Board Meeting
6 minutes as presented. Jennifer Gunterman seconded the motion. All voted aye.

7 Chairwoman Cathi Cook asked the trustees if they had any questions or comments on the
8 minutes for the Emergency Board Meeting that was held on September 17, 2021 as present. After
9 comments on the minutes on who was present and who attended via phone, (Stephanie was
10 present and Jennifer attended via phone) and add the word “item” on page 2, line 15. Jennifer
11 Gunterman made a motion to approve the September 17, 2021 Regular Board Meeting minutes as
12 presented with the changes. Stephanie Esch seconded the motion. All voted aye.

13 Chairwoman Cathi Cook asked the trustees if they had any questions or comments on the
14 minutes for the Special Board Meeting that was held on September 27, 2021 as presented. After a
15 comment about a spelling correction of Fran Schmitz name, Sean Lenahan made a motion to
16 approve the September 27, 2021 Special Board Meeting minutes as presented with the change.
17 Jennifer Gunterman seconded the motion. All voted aye.

18 Chairwoman Cathi Cook asked the trustees if they had any questions or comments on the
19 minutes for the Closed Session Meeting that was held on September 27, 2021 as presented. After
20 a comment about a spelling error, Stephanie Esch made a motion to approve the September 27,
21 2021 Closed Session Meeting minutes as presented with the change. Sean Lenahan seconded the
22 motion. All voted aye.

23 Chairwoman Cathi Cook asked the trustees if they had any questions or comments on the
24 minutes for the Board Retreat that was held on September 29, 2021 as presented. Jennifer
25 Gunterman made a motion to approve the September 29, 2021 Board Retreat Meeting minutes as
26 presented. Sarah Armijo seconded the motion. All vote aye.

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1 **4. Approval of Claims:**

2 Chairwoman Cathi Cook asked if there were any questions or comments on the claims or
3 students' accounts. Cathi told the Board the district has September claims in the amount of
4 \$1,770,426.88 starting with claim #38405 and ending with claim # 38502 and students' accounts in
5 the amount of \$10,468.81. After question and comments on some of the claims, Sarah Armijo
6 made a motion to approve the claims and students' accounts as presented. Sean Lenahan seconded
7 the motion. All voted aye.

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9 **5. Items for Information**

- 10 **A. Administration**
- 11 **B. ANB Reports**
- 12 **C. Booster Club Quarterly**
- 13 **D. Board Committee Reports**

14 Superintendent Bob Moore updated the Board on the construction project here at the
15 district and talked about the timeline to get teachers into their new classrooms. Bob talked about
16 the bus situation here at the district and that the district is preparing bids for the transportation
17 situation.

18 Eric Larson talked about homecoming week and thanked Angie Armour for all the work
19 she did with homecoming. Jessica Shourd talked about testing for the district. After comments
20 from the Board on the overcrowding of the Middle School science classes, the student drop off
21 area and the athletic handbook, Cathi moved onto the next agenda item.

22 Bob talked about the ANB numbers at the district and that this year's numbers are up from
23 last year's October count.

24 Fran Schmitz from the Booster Club updated the board with a report and talked about all
25 the events that they have done and the things they are working on. Fran thanked the Board for
26 their support. After a comment from the Board on this year's Christmas Bazaar, Cathi moved onto
27 the next agenda item.

28 There was no insurance report this month.

There was no calendar report this month.

Cathi gave a report for the Facilities committee. Cathi talked about all the things that are

1 happening at the district.

2 Sarah Armijo gave a report for the Resource Committee. Sarah talked about things that
3 the Resource Committee is working on, the district's budget and how the ANB numbers are used
4 to calculate the districts budgets.

5 Cathi Cook gave a report for the Negotiations Committee. Cathi told the Board the
6 district is waiting for the teachers to meet to see if they will agree on the negotiated CBA. Cathi
7 also told the Board the negotiations team is talking to the Elementary Principals and the district
8 office employees.

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10 **6. Business: Items for Action:**

11 **A. Consent Agenda – Action**

12 **i. Resignation**

13 **1. Heidi Cowan – HS Student Council**

14 **ii. Employment**

15 **1. Jessica Stokes – HS Paraprofessional**

16 **2. Adrienne Rohbock – MS Paraprofessional**

17 **3. Jennifer Hock Harris – K-3 Paraprofessional**

18 **4. Tyler Cherry – MS Tutor**

19 **5. Linda Burrington – MS Tutor**

20 **6. Shannon Barrett – MS Tutor**

21 **7. Diane Warren – MS Yearbook Advisor**

22 **8. Karen Darnall – Kitchen Helper**

23 **9. Melissa Elmore – Volunteer Speech/Debate**

24 **10. Angie Armour – HS Student Council**

25 **11. Anne Marie Gurney – K-8 Paraprofessional**

26 **12. Substitute List – Pending Background Checks**

27 ***All employments are pending acceptable background check**

28 Chairwoman Cathi Cook told the Board they will now approve the consent agenda items.

Cathi asked the Board if there were any questions or comments on the consent agenda items.

Cathi asked the Board if there were any consent agenda items they would like to remove from the
list. There were no items to be removed. Cathi told the Board the consent of any trustee pertains
only to the items they have the authority to decide on and if there is no objection, the agenda
items will be adopted by unanimous consent. There were no objections and the consent agenda
items were approved by unanimous consent.

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1 **B. Out-of-District Enrollments**

2 **i. Elementary**

3 **ii. High School**

4 Chairwoman Cathi Cook asked the Board if they had any questions on the Elementary
5 out-of-district students as presented. Stephanie Esch made a motion to approve the Elementary out
6 of district students for the 2021-22 school year as presented. Sean Lenahan seconded the motion.
7 Dan Mullan, Sean Lenahan, Stephanie Esch, Cathi Cook, Sarah Armijo and Ben Meyer voted aye.
8 Jennifer Gunterman could not vote.

9 Chairwoman Cathi Cook asked the Board if they had any questions on the High School
10 out-of-district students as presented. Jennifer Gunterman made a motion to approve the High
11 School out of district students for the 2021-22 school year as presented. Sarah Armijo seconded
12 the motion. All voted aye.

13 **C. Plan for Safe Return to School and Continuity of Services**

14 Superintendent Bob Moore told the Board there were no new revisions to the plan from
15 the last board meeting. Bob also talked about the COVID-19 cases here at the district. After
16 discussion about the cases and the plan, the board made no changes to the plan this month. The
17 Board will review the plan again at the next board meeting.

18 **D. Policy**

19 **i. First Reading Policies – 1620, 2170, 2170P, 3121 and 4211**

20 **ii. Second Reading Policies – 1111, 1230, 1310, 2100, 3110, 3130, 3416, 5325,**
21 **7500 and 8411**

22 Chairwoman Cathi Cook asked the Board if they have any questions on the policies up for
23 first reading. Superintendent Bob Moore talked about the policies. After comments from the
24 Board on policy 3121, 1620, 2170 and 2170P, Sarah Armijo made a motion to approve the first
25 reading of policies 1620, 2170, 2170P and 4211 as presented and to return policy 3121 back to the
26 policy committee. Stephanie Esch seconded the motion. All voted aye.

27 Chairwoman Cathi Cook asked the Board if they have any questions on the policies up for
28 seconding reading. After comments about the policies, Sean made a motion to approve the
29 second reading of policies 1111, 1230, 1310, 2100, 3110, 3130, 3416, 5325, 7500 and 8411 as
30 presented. Sarah Armijo seconded the motion. All voted aye.

1 **E. Sinking Fund Investment**

2 Business Manager Bill Schiele told the Board the district has received three quotes from
3 the local banks. Bill went over the rates. After comments about the term of the CD's, Sarah
4 Armijo made a motion to invest the money at .30 percent for a term of two years with Farmers
5 State Bank. Jennifer Gunterman seconded the motion. All voted aye.

6 **F. Ad-Hoc Committee – School Culture**

7 Chairwoman Cathi Cook told the Board the district has received a letter from the school
8 district attorney Elizabeth Kaleva about the forming of an Ad-Hoc committee. Cathi read the
9 letter to the Board and the audience. Cathi asked the Board if they have any questions or
10 comments on the forming of the committee or the letter from the Kaleva Law firm. After
11 comments from the Board on the purpose of the committee and that the district is already doing
12 the things the committee would be doing, Ben Meyer made a motion to table the agenda item for
13 six months. Dan Mullan seconded the motion. All voted aye.

14 **G. Lone Rock Transportation Agreement**

15 Superintendent Bob Moore told the Board that this is an annual transportation agreement
16 that needs to be approved for the 2021-2022 school year. Chairwoman Cathi Cook asked the
17 Board if there were any questions or comments on the transportation agreement as presented.
18 Jennifer Gunterman made motion to approve the transportation agreement with the Lone Rock
19 School district as presented. Sean Lenahan seconded the motion. All voted aye.

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21 **7. Adjourn:**

22 Stephanie Esch made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Sean Lenahan seconded the
23 motion. All voted aye.

24 Board Chairman: Signed Copy on File in District Office

25 Date: November 9, 2021.

26 School Board Clerk: Signed Copy on File in District Office.

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