

REGULAR MEETING
November 11, 2019
6:00 PM

The regular meeting of the Baker School Board was called to order by Chairperson Gye Varner at 6pm in the Boardroom of Baker High School. Trustees Johnna Koenig, Quentin Burdick, Mike Gunderson and Klint Flint were in attendance. Also present were Superintendent Aaron Skogen, Principals Bo Lingle and David Breitbach, Vice-Principal Jacob Gion, District Clerk Jennifer Mettler, Technology Director Scott Anderson, and Head Custodian Mardi Brown. Guests were Diane VanGorden, Pam Beach, Derek Gorder and Darby Waldbillig.

Consent Items:

The bills, investment report, activity account report, journal adjustments, and minutes were reviewed by the trustees; claim checks 55746 to 55787 were reviewed and approved. There being no objections, Chairperson Varner approves the consent items as presented.

PUBLIC COMMENT

None

EDUCATION REPORT

Diane VanGorden gives this month's education report; she navigates the online library catalog system through the Montana Shared Catalog and OCLC.

ACTION ITEMS

MS WRESTLING – 5TH GRADE TO PRACTICE

Mr. Derek Gorder addresses the board to ask permission to allow interested 5th grade students to practice with the 7th & 8th grade wrestling team; he is not asking for them to participate in tournaments, but to simply practice with them for more experience. Board members voiced their concern with other sports and what type of fallout they would experience allowing 5th graders to practice in a middle school program. Discussion followed.

Quentin Burdick moved to allow 5th graders to practice only with the middle school wrestling team, one-time exception for middle school wrestling, not to set precedent for other sports and are not allowed to participate in tournaments. Other requests will be determined on a case-by-case basis with administrative guidance.

Johnna Koenig seconded the motion; motioned carried unanimously.

Derek Gorder thanks the board and leaves the meeting.

OIL & GAS ALLOCATION – 2ND QUARTER

Mrs. Mettler presents to the board the 2nd quarter oil and gas revenue of \$671,643.61. With current laws in place, it is recommended to deposit some in the General Fund to fill up the reserves to operating levels and the remainder into the Building Reserve fund.

Johnna Koenig moved to reallocate the oil and gas revenue on or about November 1, 2019 to the General Fund \$390,305.31 and Building Reserve \$281,338.30, reserving the right to reallocate the future payments when received. Mike Gunderson seconded the motion; motion carried unanimously.

REPORTS:

1. COMPLEX – Darby Waldbillig

The windows and lights on the pool deck were installed last week; air temp is starting to regulate on the pool deck due to the install – got a bit chilly on the deck.

2. MAINTENANCE – Mardi Brown

Starting to wrap up the project with McKinstry and mechanical checks are being done now.

3. TECHNOLOGY – Scott Anderson

Technology meeting will be tomorrow at 3:30pm Mr. Anderson's room for those interested and Regional BPA competition will be December 9th and looking for volunteers.

4. PRINCIPALS

a. ELEMENTARY PRINCIPAL, BO LINGLE

Dakotah Dental sponsored the candy donation drive again this year for grades K-6; the kids donated 188.5 pounds of donated! Winning classes get a pizza party. Picture retakes are November 21st and 22nd and November 27th will be a holiday schedule for Thanksgiving break. December 5th will be the elementary music concert.

b. HIGH SCHOOL PRINCIPAL, DAVID BREITBACH

Parent-Teacher Conference attendance was about average this year; middle school was about 80% and high school was about 55%.

c. VICE PRINCIPAL, JACOB GION

Middle school girls basketball first game is tomorrow and November 21st high school basketball and wrestling will start practice. District Student Council Advisor of the Year was Carole Bettenhausen and want to congratulate her on achieving this award. December 3rd is the Athletic Banquet.

5. SUPERINTENDENT, AARON SKOGEN

January 9th is the first Strategic Planning meeting with Debra Silk, Attorney with MTSBA.

Letters have been received from staff for the Intentions to Retire, per the CBA language; those teachers are Lindsay Chaska, Carol Hadley, Cindy Quade, Carole Bettenhausen, and Jade Melby.

Talked to Andrea Huft about her bus stop to evaluate the stop for next year. Mike Gunderson commented the board should approach the County to maybe grade the hump in the road down instead of creating a new turn around and that might fix some of the issues on the road for the stop and making it safer. Mr.

Gunderson to visit with the County on his recommendation.

The District has not received a response from Brosz Engineering on the storm drain with the City; it was written to the City the District would not be cost sharing in the storm drain itself, but once the drain is installed the District would be willing to look into diverting the water off the field on our own property.

Next scheduled board meeting is December 11, 2019 at 6 pm.

There being no other business, meeting adjourned at 7:04 pm.

Clerk

Chairman