

SPECIAL BOARD MEETING

March 19, 2020

1:00 PM

The special meeting of the Baker School Board was called to order by Chairperson Gye Varner at 1:00 pm in the ITV Room of Baker High School. Trustees Johnna Koenig, Mike Gunderson, Klint Flint and Quentin Burdick were in attendance. Also present were Superintendent Aaron Skogen, District Clerk Jennifer Mettler, Principals David Breitbach, Bo Lingle, Vice Principal Jake Gion, Technology Director Scott Anderson and Head of Maintenance Mardi Brown. No guests were present.

Chairperson Varner requests to move the agenda items around due to the nature of the meeting and importance of the topics being discussed; no objection by the trustees.

ACTION ITEMS

CERTIFIED HIRE

Mr. Skogen states two applicants were interviewed for the 7-12 Industrial Arts position and it is the recommendation of the hiring committee to offer the position to Terry Roelfsema.

Johnna Koenig moved to hire Mr. Terry Roelfsema for the 2020-21 school year. Quentin Burdick seconded the motion; motion carried unanimously.

BOARD CONSIDERATION OF CURRENT CIRCUMSTANCES RELATED TO COVID-19 FOR POSSIBLE DECLARATION OF UNFORSEEN EMERGENCY PURSUANT TO 20-9-801 THROUGH 20-9-806, MCA

Mr. Skogen presents to the Trustees with current situation related to school closure. Due to recent events, including the Governor's order that all schools be closed from Monday, March 16th – Friday, March 27th, we request the Board of Trustees declare an Unforeseen Emergency pursuant to 20-9-801, MCA for Monday, March 16, 2020. Furthermore, if approved by the Board of Trustees we will begin instructing all students through online platforms and/or paper-based student work packets beginning Monday, March 23rd and extending until further notice. Administration also recommends the Board of Trustees authorize the Superintendent to provide any method of instructional delivery that he deems appropriate including but not limited to offsite instruction. Additionally authorize the Superintendent to make determinations reading pupils who are proficient in courses.

Off-Site Delivery:

Klint Flint moved the Board of Trustees of Baker School District authorize the district administration to direct staff in accordance with any applicable collective bargaining or related agreements to implement off-site learning opportunities for students using any and all available methods. The administration will assist staff in completing these tasks. The administration will inform students, parents, and families of these procedures to assist students in the receipt of education services from the School District. Quentin Burdick seconded the motion; motion carried unanimously.

Proficiency:

Klint Flint moved the Board of Trustees of Baker School District include in the calculation of the district's ANB students who demonstrate proficiency regardless of the number of aggregate hours completed in accordance with 20-9-311, MCA, and District Policy 1005FE, and direct the administration to work with school district staff, students and parents in development of procedures to execute this motion. Specifically, the superintendent is directed to make a final determination of proficiency for each pupil for each enrolled course, using district assessments, including class grades at a minimum, and reporting a full-time equivalent conversion of ANB for such pupils, based on the scheduled time ordinarily provided through the aggregate hours of instruction for such courses.

Quentin Burdick seconded the motion; motion carried unanimously.

PUBLIC COMMENT

None

Chairperson Varner calls for another Special Board meeting on March 23, 2020 at 5:30pm

There being no other business, meeting adjourns at 1:26pm.

Clerk

Chairman