

March 18, 2020

Call to Order:

The Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees of Somers School District 29 was called to order at 6:00 p.m. in the Somers Middle School Conference Room per Chairperson John Hollensteiner. Those in attendance stood for the pledge to the flag.

Roll Call:

Board members present were John Hollensteiner, Mary Obermiller, Meredith Coopman, and Jessica Swanson. Scott Simonson was excused. Administration present were Superintendent Joe Price, Lakeside Elementary Principal Steffanie Broyles, Somers Middle School Principal Rose McIntyre and Clerk Diane Fetterhoff.

Visitors: None.

Minutes:

Mary Obermiller moved to approve the minutes from the February 10, 2020 Regular Board Meeting. Jessica Swanson seconded the motion. For 4 Opposed 0. Motion carried.

Public Participation: None

Communications:

- a.) Lakeside Elementary Music Teacher Letter of Resignation
- b.) 2019-20 Evergreen Crossroad Sp Ed Students Attendance Agreements (2)
- c.) Somers Education Association Letter to Open Contract Negotiations
- d.) SB307 Resolution of Intent to Impose an Increase/Decrease in Non-Permissive Fund Levies
- e.) Somers District #29 2019-20 Substitute List
- f.) Somers School District Non-Redeemed Warrants over 3 Years Old for Cancellation
- g.) Electric Usage Worksheet

Policy Considerations/Changes:

- a.) Board of Trustees Section 7000 Financial Management Policy Review – 1st Reading
7000 – Goals; **7210** – Revenues; **7225** – Crowdfunding Proposals; **7265** – Grant Writing; **7310** – Budget Implementation and Execution; **7325** – Accounting System Design; **7326** – Documentation and Approval of Claims; **7330** – Payroll Procedures/Schedules; **7330F** – Payroll Procedures/Schedules Form; **7332** – Advertising in Schools/Revenue Enhancement; **7335** – Personal Reimbursements; **7336** – Travel Allowances and Expenses; **7410** – Fund Accounting System; **7425** – Financial Reporting and Audits; **7500** – Property Records; **7510** – Capitalization Policy for Fixed Assets; **7515** – Fund Balances; **7530** – Procurement of Supplies or Services
- b.) Board of Trustees Section 7000 Financial Management Policy Revisions – 1st Reading
7110 – Budget and Program Planning; **7121** – Budget Adjustments; **7251** – Disposal of School District Property With/Without a Vote; **7260** Endowments, Gifts, and Investments; **7320** – Purchasing; **7430** – Financial Reporting and Audits
- c.) Board of Trustees Section 7000 Financial Management New Policies – 1st Reading
7008 – Nonresident Student Attendance Agreement; **7215** – Obligations and Loans; **7520** – Independent Investment Accounts; **7525** – Lease – Purchase Agreement; **7535** –Electronic Signatures; **7550** – Indirect Cost Reimbursement

Committees / Reports:

Superintendent Report: Written report included in board packet.

Principal Reports: Written reports included in board packet.

Rose McIntyre Additionally:

1. Admiration for staff during the Covid19 School Closure

Steffanie Broyles Additionally:

1. Staff Dedication for staying current with school closure by gathering materials for parent pickup for lower grade students

Staff Reports: None

Buildings and Facilities Discussion: Superintendent Price reported that painting and interior finish work is being completed at this time on the Middle School Building.

Financial and Federal Programs Committee: No Report

Disciplinary and Public Relations Committee: No Report

Buildings, Facilities and Grounds Committee: John Hollensteiner reported that The committee met with 100 Fold Architect Staff prior to the Regular Meeting to discuss the Lakeside Elementary Kitchen remodel options as well as possible additional projects at the Lakeside Elementary School. He will compile notes from that meeting for distribution for the next regular board meeting in April.

Transportation and School Food Committee: No Report

Curriculum and Extracurricular/PIR-CP Committee: No Report

Policy Committee: Review, Revisions, and New Policies as presented.

Negotiations Committee: Board Negotiations Committee will meet March 31, 2020 at 7:00 a.m. at Somers Middle School.

Personnel Committee: No Report.

Schedule Meetings:

- a.) Unforeseen Emergency Special Meeting – March 20, 2020– 8:00 p.m. – Somers Middle School
- b.) Special Meeting with Web Conference Capabilities - March 23, 2020– 8:00 a.m. – Somers Middle School
- c.) Regular Monthly – April 20, 2020 – 6:00 p.m. – Somers Middle School

Consent Agenda:

Mary Obermiller moved to remove the Offer of Track Coaching Contracts (f) and the Offer of Spring X-County Coaching Contracts (g) from the Consent Agenda and place those items into the Singular Action portion of the meeting. Jessica Swanson seconded the motion. Discussion. For 4 Opposed 0. Motion carried.

Mary Obermiller moved to:

- a.) Acknowledge Lakeside Elementary Music Teacher Letter of Resignation
- b.) Approve 2019-20 Evergreen Crossroad Sp Ed Students Attendance Agreements (2)
- c.) Acknowledge Somers Education Association Letter to Open Contract Negotiations
- d.) Approve Somers District #29 Substitute List

e.) Cancel Somers School District Non-Redeemed Warrants over 3 Years Old.

Meredith Coopman seconded the motion. For 4 Opposed 0. Motions carried.

Singular Action Items:

a.) Mary Obermiller moved to Approve SB307 Resolution of Intent to Impose an Increase/Decrease in Non-Permissive Fund Levies. Meredith Coopman seconded the motion. Discussion. For 4 Opposed 0. Motion carried.

b.) Mary Obermiller moved to Give District Clerk Authority to Cancel May 5, 2020 School Trustee Election on April 3, 2020 by Acclamation Contingent on the Number of Candidates Not Exceeding the Number of Available Positions in Accordance with 20-3-313, MCA. Meredith Coopman seconded the motion. Discussion. For 4 Opposed 0. Motion carried.

c.) Mary Obermiller moved to Table the Offer of Track Coaching Contracts. Meredith Coopman seconded the motion. Discussion. For 4 Opposed 0. Motion carried.

d.) Mary Obermiller moved to Table the Offer of Spring X-County Coaching Contracts. Meredith Coopman seconded the motion. Discussion. For 4 Opposed 0. Motion carried.

Mary Obermiller moved that expenditures presented for payment be approved. Meredith Coopman seconded the motion. Discussion. For 4 Opposed 0. Motion carried.

Meredith Coopman moved that the meeting adjourn at 6:51 p.m. Meeting adjourned.

John Hollensteiner, Chairperson

Diane J. Fetterhoff, Clerk