

MELBA SCHOOL DISTRICT #136
Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees
Tuesday, July 6, 2021
Melba School District Office

I. CALL TO ORDER at 5:00 p.m. by Chairman Ed Smith. Flag salute was held.

ROLL CALL: In attendance were Trustees Ed Smith, Travis Christensen, Megan Volkers, and Jason Knopp, Appointed Trustee Joelene Gould, Superintendent Sherry Ann Adams, Business Manager Megan Volkers, Administrative Assistant Jackie Engle, Board Clerk Beth Cole, Chelsie Porter from the law firm of Hawley Troxell, Piper Sandler Representative Michael Keith and patron Angie Welker.

II. OATH OF OFFICE

A. The Oath of Office for School Board Trustees was administered to Joelene Gould. She will function in all capacities of a Board Member and will be authorized as a signer on the bank account.

III. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

No public participation.

IV. CONSENT AGENDA

Motion to approve the Consent Agenda was passed.

- A. Approval of Agenda
- B. Approval of Minutes of 06/08/2021.
- C. Approval of previous month's bills and misc. hand checks
- D. Approval of Elementary, Jr/Sr High financial reports

Motion to approve by Trustee Jason Knopp.
Seconded by Trustee Travis Christensen.
Vote was unanimous.

V. SPECIAL REPORTS

A. The Board considered the advantages of a defeasance on the bond levy. Piper Sandler representative Michael Keith reviewed the benefits of maintaining a consistent tax rate and the savings generated by the defeasance. He encouraged consideration of an increased market value and the increasing district population, and the value of an early bond payoff.

Chelsie Porter from Hawley Troxell law firm explained the process. The Board would delegate authority to Business Manager Volkers and Superintendent Adams to act on the defeasance up to \$450,000.

VI. OLD BUSINESS

A. A motion to approve second reading of Policy 2700 High School Graduation, 2710 Early Graduation, and 5700 Substitutes was passed.

Motion by Trustee Jason Knopp.
Seconded by Trustee Susan Jaca.
Vote was unanimous.

VII. NEW BUSINESS

- A. **A motion to approve a resolution authorizing** Superintendent Adams and Business Manager Volkens to work on behalf of the Melba School District in providing a defeasance for the school bond was passed.

Motion by Trustee Jason Knopp.
Seconded by Trustee Joelene Gould.
Vote was unanimous.

- B. **A motion to approve the Bond Payment was passed.**

Motion by Trustee Travis Christensen.
Seconded by Trustee Jason Knopp.
Vote was unanimous.

- C. **A motion to approve the Personnel report was approved.**

Motion to approve by Trustee Travis Christensen.
Seconded by Trustee Susan Jaca.
Vote was unanimous.

- D. **A motion to approve the Open Enrollment Report as presented was passed.**

Motion by Trustee Travis Christensen.
Seconded by Trustee Susan Jaca.
Vote was unanimous.

- E. **A motion to approve first and second reading of Policy 2200** School Year, Calendar and Instructional Hours, 2210P School Closure Procedure, 2340 Controversial Issues and Academic Freedom, 5210 Workday, 5250 Certificated Staff Grievances and 5400 Leave of Absence was passed.

Motion to approve by Trustee Jason Knopp.
Seconded by Trustee Joelene Gould.
Vote was unanimous.

- A. **A motion to rescind Policy 2555** Extended Field Trip and 5370 Non-School Employment by Professional Staff Members was passed.

Motion by Trustee Jason Knopp.
Seconded by Trustee Travis Christensen.
Vote was unanimous.

- B. **A motion to approve an Extended Trip Request** for a Volleyball Camp in August was passed. Dr. Adams will confirm that a sufficient number of students will be attending.

Motion by Trustee Jason Knopp.

Seconded by Trustee Travis Christensen.
Vote was unanimous.

- C. **Dr. Adams reviewed the amendments in the District ReOpening Plan.** This is required if the district is to qualify for the ESSER 3 Funds. The district is not providing an online option this year. The plan will be available on the district website.

Motion by Trustee Jason Knopp.
Seconded by Trustee Travis Christensen.
Vote was unanimous.

VIII. STANDING REPORTS

- A. **The board reviewed the Superintendent reports.**
- B. **The board reviewed the Elementary Principal report.**
- C. **The board reviewed the JRSR High report.**
- D. **The board reviewed the Business Manager report.**

IX. The meeting adjourned at 6:02 p.m.

Motion by Trustee Travis Christensen
Seconded by Trustee Megan Volkers.
Vote was unanimous.