

Our Mission is to prepare and support all students within a culture of excellence to do their best and to be their best, so that each can be a successful contributing citizen, able to adapt to change and to successfully respond to the future.

RSU #16
Mechanic Falls * Minot * Poland
The 2nd Special School Board Meeting
for 2017-2018 was held
Monday, August 28, 2017
6:30 P.M.
Poland Regional High School Library

MINUTES

Members Present: Steve Holbrook, Julie Rioux, Aaron Ouellette, Jack Wiseman, Norm Beuparlant, Mary Martin, Joe Parent, Norm Davis, Lisa Dulac, Tina love, Ed Rabasco, Jenn Boenig, Melissa Hodgkin,
Members Absent: Leonard Lamoreau

1.0 CALL TO ORDER: Mary Martin at 6:32 PM
Pledge of Allegiance & Mission Statement

2.0 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION:

ACTION ITEMS:

3.0 NEW BUSINESS

To approve a Van bid from Quirk Chevrolet for \$25,913

Motion: by Steve Holbrook to approve a van bid from Quirk Chevrolet for \$25,913

Seconded: by Norm Beuparlant

Vote: Motion failed 4 - 8 (Rioux, Ouellette, Wiseman, Parent, Dulac, Love, Rabasco, Hodgkin)

Discussion: To reject all van bids

Motion: by Aaron Ouellette to reject all van bids

Seconded: by Julie Rioux

Vote: 8 - 4 (Holbrook, Beuparlant, Davis, Boenig)

To approve the \$5,714,753 at a 15-year bond for the BWMS building project for referendum vote.

Motion: by Julie Rioux to approve the \$5,714,753 at 15 years for the BWMS building project for referendum vote.

Seconded: by Joe Parent

Vote: 9 - 4 (Davis, Dulac, Hodgkin, Holbrook)

Discussion: A Facilities Review Committee was established to consider future building plans. Portland Design Team (PDT) Architects were hired and the committee turned into the Whittier Building Committee. BWMS was designed for primarily Poland students in 1999. In 2009, all middle year learners from Minot and Mechanic Falls were transferred to BWMS. John Hawley, Director of Operations, noted the current conditions related to space, restrooms and Special Education programming. Modules were added to address space issues. RSU #6 contracted with an enrollment specialist, and it is expected that the population will remain fairly stable. The proposal will replace existing modular classrooms, provide appropriate special education space and a shared entrance. The 12,243 ft renovation would cost \$5,714,753. The impact, annually, would be \$36.31 per 100,000 in Poland, \$48.67 per 100,000 in Mechanic Falls and \$42.71 per 100,000 in Minot. The referendum date will be November 7, 2017. Other proposals were considered but they were determined to be too expensive or so limited that they would not meet the needs of our students.

To discuss Advisory Committee structure and purpose

Discussion: Policy BDF was shared with the board and the purpose of this board Advisory Committee is to discuss

recommendations related to communication, community engagement, and role clarity and to conduct a gap analysis. The gap analysis would define the gap and consider recommendations to close that gap. The sixth-month committee would be comprised of 3 recommendations from our municipalities, 3 board members and 3 staff members (one member from each level based on association recommendations). These members would be expected to commit to the time frame. The three board members selected to serve on this board Advisory Committee are Norm Beuparlant, Lisa Dulac and Tina Love. The chairperson for this position will be determined. The administrative assistant of the Superintendent will communicate meeting dates. Tina Love will arrange for the first board meeting. A progress report will be added to the board meeting agenda.

4.0 AGENDA ADJUSTMENT

5.0 ADJOURNMENT:

Motion: by Julie Rioux to adjourn at 9:19 pm

Respectfully submitted,

Tina Meserve