

## SUNBURST SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 2

### **BOARD MINUTES**

**APRIL 21, 2010**

**CALL TO ORDER:** The regularly scheduled meeting of the Board of Trustees was called to order at 7:32 p.m. by the Chairman, Mike Wallewein. The School District No. 2 Trustees present to constitute a quorum were:

*Mike Wallewein, Chairman  
Cleve Johannsen, Vice-Chairman  
James Nagy, Trustee [Absent]*

*Sarah Turner, Trustee  
James Taylor, Trustee*

Guests and staff in attendance were:

*John Hvidsten, Superintendent  
Jeanne Fairhurst, Business Manager/Clerk  
Dan Nau, Elementary Principal*

*Colony Members  
District Staff  
Tim Tharp, Incoming Supt*

#### ***Pledge to our flag.***

**Board Representative, Lynda Clark, update on the Sunburst Restoration Project:** Lynda Clark, who has been representing the Board of Trustees since she was on the Board, gave an overview on the Sunburst Restoration Project. Lynda gave an in-depth discussion about the progress the Project has done to this point and what they are planning to do in the future.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS FOR ITEMS NOT ON AGENDA:** High School Science Teacher, Amanda Becker, announced that some of her ISI students had entered a national contest that Sunburst hadn't entered before. Mahkia Clark made the semi-finals and Allison Bye placed 8<sup>th</sup> as a finalist. Congratulations to these young women.

**CONSENT AGENDA:** Minutes from the March 17<sup>th</sup> Regular Meeting were discussed. *Cleve Johannsen made a **motion** to approve Board Minutes from the March 17<sup>th</sup> regular meeting as written. Sarah Turner **seconded** the motion. All voted in favor and the motion was **carried**.*

The Bills and Warrants were discussed. *Cleve Johannsen made a **motion** to approve the bills and warrants as presented (warrants 17479 to 17551). James Taylor **seconded** the motion. All voted in favor and the motion was **carried**.*

Financial Statements were reviewed and discussed. The General Fund is down to 34% remaining.

**Elementary Principal Report:** Prin Nau reported on the current activities and events that have been going on at the Elementary School. [See the attached report copy.] Mr. Nau addressed the need for the gym floor to be resurfaced. Mr. Nau received bids on the project and recommended that the bid from High Performance Floors be considered for the gym floor. *Cleve Johannsen made a **motion** to accept the bid from High Performance Floors to resurface the elementary gym floor. Sarah Turner **seconded** the motion. All voted in favor and the motion was **carried**.* Mr. Nau also noted that this would be a good time to replace the mats that hang from the walls around the gym floor. Some of these mats are so old that the batting inside has slid down leaving just the mat covering over the walls in places. This could create a safety hazard. *Johannsen made a **motion** to approve the replacement of the mats on the walls surrounding the elementary gym from Montana School Equipment Company, as recommended. Turner **seconded** the motion. All voted in favor and the motion was **carried**.*

#### **Superintendent Report:**

**a. Request for bus for Post Graduation Party:** Supt Hvidsten noted that there is a request for two buses to be used by the Lock-In students and chaperones. The Booster Club would like the use of the buses to transport the students to Conrad to the bowling alley. The drivers will be certified drivers. *Cleve Johannsen made a **motion** to allow the Booster Club to use two buses during the post-grad Lock-In party. James Taylor **seconded** the motion. All voted in favor and the motion was **carried**.*

**b. Action on Rimrock and Hillside Agreements:** Each year the Board signs an agreement with each Rimrock and Hillside Colonies for the schools at each colony. Both colonies have signed the written agreements and returned them to the Supt. *Cleve Johannsen made a **motion** to accept the contracts between Sunburst School District 2 and each of Rimrock Colony and Hillside Colony for the 2010-2011 fiscal year. Sarah Turner **seconded** the motion. All voted in favor and the motion was **carried**.*

**c. Contract recommendations for 2010-2011 school term:** Supt Hvidsten recommended to the Board that all current certified staff and classified staff be offered written contracts for the 2010-2011 school year. *Sarah Turner made a **motion** to offer contracts to all current certified and classified staff for the 2010-2011 school year. Cleve Johannsen*

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*seconded the motion. All voted in favor and the motion was **carried**.*

**d. Election Plans - candidates:** The election for 2010 has been advertised and is set for May 4<sup>th</sup> to be held in the Gordon Puckett Memorial Gymnasium. There will not be a levy this year. The sole purpose of this election will be to choose a trustee between candidates Mike Wallewein and Jason Hanson.

**e. Accreditation Report:** Supt Hvidsten announced that each of the schools in the School District received an Accreditation Report from the Office of Public Instruction. The only school to receive a mark against their accreditation was the high school. High School Science Teacher, A. Becker, has yet to get certified for the Earth Science classes that she teaches. Hopefully this will be rectified before this time next year.

**f. MUST Insurance:** A spreadsheet listing different policy options was distributed by the Business Manager. A discussion was held. *Cleve Johannsen made a **motion** to renew our agreement with Montana Unified School Trust for the 2010-2011 School Year with the same policy as the school has been carrying and with the renewal increase in rates. James Taylor **seconded** the motion. All voted in favor and the motion was **carried**.*

**g. Set date for May Reorganization Meeting:** The date for the May Re-org Meeting was set for May 12<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 pm. The annual Building Walk Thru will follow that meeting.

**h. Misc Info:** Supt Hvidsten reported that it had been a tough year on the spring sports. Lots of cancels. There are 10 athletes out for Track and 6 out for Boy's Golf. Supt had thank you notes from FCCLA and the Seniors thanking the Board for allowing them to make their trips. WTR Consulting is working on the grant to provide funds for the recommended improvements. Mr. Hillstrom presented a Grim Reaper program for the high school students. It went over well.

The next **Regular Board Meeting will be held on Wednesday, May 19<sup>th</sup>, 2010 at 7:00 pm in the High School Library.** *A **motion** was made by Sarah Turner to adjourn the meeting. Sarah Turner **seconded** the motion. All voted in favor and **the meeting was adjourned at 9:25 pm.***

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**MIKE WALLEWEIN, CHAIRMAN**

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**JEANNE FAIRHURST, CLERK**

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**SUNBURST SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 2**

**SPECIAL MEETING**

**SUPERINTENDENTS' INTERVIEWS**  
**NTCHS AUDITORIUM**

**BOARD MINUTES**

**February 22, 2010**

The School District No. 2 Trustees present to constitute a quorum were:

*Mike Wallewein, Chairman  
Cleve Johannsen, Vice-Chairman  
James Nagy, Trustee*

*James Taylor, Trustee  
Sarah Turner, Trustee*

The Board of Trustees had interviews with three applicants interested in replacing Supt Hvidsten during the next fiscal year.

First interview was with Yvette Majerus from Moore, Montana. This interview took place at 5:30 pm.

The second interview was with Frank Frickanisce from Dodson, Montana. This interview took place at 6:30 pm.

The third interview was with Tim Tharp from Dutton, Montana. This interview took place at 7:30 pm.

The Board had a list of questions that they asked of all applicants. The applicants were interesting and diverse. When the Board was finished with the interviews, they discussed the applicants with the staff members that were present. They then moved to the High School Library.

**The Board went into Executive Session**, per the Family Education & Privacy Act, at 8:35 pm. The meeting was opened at 8:45 pm. At that time Cleve Johannsen made a motion to offer the position of Superintendent/High School Principal to Tim Tharp from Dutton. Sarah Turner seconded the motion. All voted in favor and the motion was carried. Chairman Mike Wallewein will call Mr. Tharp with the offer and make plans to have him meet with the Board again to negotiate salary and benefits.

The next **Regular Board Meeting will be held on Wednesday, March 17<sup>th</sup>, 2010 at 5:30 pm in the High School Library.** The meeting was adjourned at 8:55 pm.

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**MIKE WALLEWEIN, CHAIRMAN**

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