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White Shield School Meeting Minutes

February 10, 2025
Board Members Present: Cody White Bear, Holly Felix, Danile Henry, Mark Nolan.
Administration Present: Wayne Fox, Traci Ruhland, Barbara Miller, Stacey Blacksmith.
Others Present: Karen Heinzen, Pam Esquibel.
Pledge of Allegiance, Prayer and Roll Call.
Meeting called to order: 5:39 p.m.
AGENDA
2025-02-10-03. Holly Felix motioned to approve the current agenda; seconded by Danile Henry. Approved. Motion Carried Unanimously.
MINUTES
2025-02-10-04. Danile Henry motioned to approve the January 13, 2025 Meeting Minutes; seconded by Mark Nolan. Approved. MCU.
FINANCIALS
2025-02-10-05. Holly Felix motioned to approve Fund 1 District: Jan. 2025; seconded by Danile Henry. Approved. MCU.
2025-02-10-05. Holly Felix motioned to approve Fund 2 BIE Grant: Jan. 2025; seconded by Mark Nolan. Approved. MCU.
2025-02-10-05. Danile Henry motioned to approve Fund 4 TAT: Jan. 2025; seconded by Holly Felix. Approved. MCU.
2025-02-10-05. Holly Felix motioned to approve Fund 5 School Lunch: Jan. 2025; seconded by Mark Nolan. Approved. MCU.
2025-02-10-05. Danile Henry motioned to approve Fund 9 Facilities Management: Jan. 2025; with discussion, seconded by Holly Felix. Approved. MCU.
OLD BUSINESS
Noted that there is currently one bid received for the buses; ad for bus bids will continue for another week.
NEW BUSINESS
2025-02-10-07a. Danile Henry motioned to approve out-of-state travel for the Senior Class Trip (10 students, and 2 Chaperones; Karen H and Ed B) to Florida April 22-26. Seconded by Mark Nolan. Approved. MCU.
2025-02-10-07a. Danile Henry motioned to approve out-of-state travel for the following to attend the NSBA National Convention in Atlanta, GA April 3-7: Cody W, Holly F, Mark N, Wayne F, Traci R, and Bernie J; seconded by Holly Felix. Approved. MCU.
2025-02-10-07b. Holly Felix motioned to recognize the WSEA Petition for Recognition of the Representative Or-

ganization; seconded by Danile Henry. Approved. MCU.
2025-02-10-07c. Holly Felix motioned to accept the resignation of Patricia Roy, with discussion; seconded by Mark Nolan. Approved. MCU.
PERSONNEL
2025-02-10-08a. Mark Nolan motioned to rehire Rem Leonardo at the same rate he had for his prior employment in SY23-24; seconded by Holly Felix. Approved. MCU.
2025-02-10-08a. Holly Felix motioned to hire Shannon Hodges as the Elementary Wrestling Coach; seconded by Mark Nolan. Approved. MCU.
2025-02-10-08a. Danile Henry motioned to hire Denise Cameron as a Paraprofessional; seconded by Mark Nolan. Approved. MCU.
2025-02-10-08a. Holly Felix motioned to hire Jennifer Mountain as a part-time custodian while Joe Mountain is on medical leave; seconded by Danile Henry. Approved. MCU.
2025-02-10-08a. Holly Felix motioned to hire Eunice Carlson as a Library Asst and Food Service Director with a starting pay of \$21; seconded by Danile Henry. Approved. MCU.
2025-02-10-08a. Holly Felix motioned to vacate the current SRO position/office by Feb 28 due to services not being utilized adequately; seconded by Danile Henry. Approved. MCU.
REPORTS
Superintendent Report, W Fox: Had discussion with the Board regarding security, detector and pat-down concerns; working on better policy and training to ensure safety and comfort for students and staff. Updated and reviewed all job descriptions and Organizational Chart. Working on the Classified Staff Growth Book to improve communication and transparency. Also working on the Civil Rights Data for Public School Funding. Discussed House Bills that are being heard this Legislative Session. Noted that WERC coach, Mitch will be here doing ELOETS observations to start preparing for the 2027 Accreditation Review. Also discussed Federal Program 105L.
2025-02-10-09a. Holly Felix motioned to approve the updated Job Descriptions and Duties; seconded by Mark Nolan. Approved. MCU.
Elem. Principal Report, B Miller: Current K-8 enrollment is 120. Math night is tonight, the Missoula Children's Theater will be here March 3-7, and Reading Night is March 10. Discussed the need to adopt a new reading curriculum with two of the main options considered being CKLA and Success for All; recommending the latter despite the cost. Also noted NWEA data will be shared at a later date.
HS Principal Report, S Blacksmith: noted that attendance for grades 9-12 in January was 92%. NWEA data, Mitch Strand will be doing ELOETS with certified staff soon; Staff members

will attend Cognia training February 12. It is Hoopcoming Week; Basketball Districts will be starting soon: Girls in Washburn starting Feb. 14 and Boys in Garrison starting Feb. 27. There will be A1C checks for students Feb. 19 and Parent Teacher Conferences Feb 25-26. Tomorrow Stacey will meet with Michael Yellow Bird to discuss AI and the White Shield Youth Project.
Transportation Report, F Felix: no report.
Facilities Report, D Dixon per written report presented by W Fox: replaced floor heat sensor and thermostat for locker room; repaired light fixture and sound tile in gym; boilers are in good condition, repaired plexiglass in dining room. All snow removal equipment is in good working order. Quarters Unit T3 is the only vacant unit; Unit 428 had pipes and furnace repairs done due to freezing; Replaced refrigerator in Unit 419.
Athletic Director Report, S Rush: Noted that Fall, Winter and Spring coaching positions will be advertised. Noted that he met with last spring's Softball coaches and it was decided the team is not quite ready for the high school level; He will meet with the boys coach next week to determine the boys season. Clarified that the JH Boys Basketball Coaches Contracts are separate from the High school contracts.
2025-02-10-09f. Holly Felix motioned to hire Megan Blacksmith as the Elementary Track Coach and Lexus Fox as the Elementary Track Asst Coach; seconded by Danile Henry. Approved. MCU.
2025-02-10-09f. Holly Felix motioned to hire Shelly Keplin as the High School Head Track Coach, and Bearstar Perkins as the High School Asst Track Coach, and Katherine Fox as an additional Asst Track Coach; seconded by Mark Nolan. Approved. MCU.
2025-02-10-09f. Mark Nolan motioned to hire James McGill for the Junior High and High School Boys Golf Coach; seconded by Holly Felix. Approved. MCU.
2025-02-10-09f. Holly Felix motioned to hire Katherine Fox as the Elementary Boys Basketball Head Coach, and Shelly Keplin as the Elem. Boys Basketball Asst Coach; seconded by Mark Nolan. Approved. MCU.
2025-02-10-09f. Danile Henry motioned to move the Girls Basketball program to a JV Schedule for SY25-26, with discussion; seconded by Mark Nolan. Approved. MCU.
Kitchen Report: per Wayne, Donna Mae is temporarily filling in as Head Cook and the position is being advertised.
ADJOURNMENT
2025-02-10-10. Mark Nolan motioned to adjourn meeting at 7:25 p.m.; seconded by Holly Felix. Approved. MCU. (Mar. 20, 2025)

NOTICE OF SCHOOL BOARD ELECTION

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT ON TUESDAY, JUNE 10, 2025, BETWEEN THE HOURS OF 11:00 AM AND 7:00 PM AN ANNUAL ELECTION WILL BE HELD IN THE WHITE SHIELD SCHOOL GYM OF THE WHITE SHIELD SCHOOL, COUNTY OF MCLEAN, STATE OF NORTH DAKOTA, FOR THE PURPOSE OF ELECTING TWO SCHOOL BOARD MEMBERS.

THE PUBLICATION OF SCHOOL BOARD MINUTES WILL ALSO BE ON THE BALLOT.

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