# Trout Creek School District #6

# Regular Meeting Minutes

10/08/2024

**Attendees:** *D. Scott Rasor, Marian Stonehocker, Elizabeth Loyd, Zach Hannum, Kimberly Johnson, Robert Johnson, Beckie Doyle, Mason Cottrell, Bev Brumbaugh, Renna Mummert, Alene Pelobello, Ruth Allen, Carolyn Nesbitt, and Monte Nesbitt.*

1. **Call to order**

Mr. Rasor called to order the regular meeting of the Trout Creek School Board at 6:02p.m. on 10/08/24 in the Trout Creek School Multipurpose Room.

* 1. **Pledge of Allegiance:** Mr. Rasor led the Pledge of Allegiance.
  2. **Recognition of Visitors:** Mr. Rasor welcomed all visitors.

1. **Public Comment**

Mr. Rasor asked for public comment:

* Mrs. Pelobello requested of the Board of Trustees (Board) for the medical funds to be paid to her because she was not able to get the school offered medical insurance.

The Board responded that they will look into it and will find a solution.

Mr. Rasor requested the board have a special meeting on 10/14/24 at 6:30p.m. as a ZOOM meeting to discus the issue.

* Mr. Mosher made an urgent request for a meeting of the transportation committee.

1. **Agenda**
   1. **Adjustment to the Order:** No Adjustments.
   2. **Approval of the Agenda as Presented:**

Action Read By: Mr. Rasor; Motion Made By: Mrs. Stonehocker; 2nd Mr. Hannum.

**On the poll of the Board, the motion carried unanimously.**

1. **Reports:**
   1. **Administrative Update:**

Mrs. Johnson reported attendance: 7th-8th grades 92.5%, EK-6th grades 86.89%. Our fundraiser: Reading for Education has 86% participation and has earned $1,232.24 in cash and $2,530 in gift cards for books. 2nd-3rd grade class attended the Ag-fest. Last Monday we had the earthquake drill. TCS will be having a Veterans Day program on November 11 at 12:30 pm. Three teachers will be attending training in Bozeman and five staff will be taking a CPR class next week. This year we are included in OPI’s federal audit of the Title I program which occurs every 7 years. TCS has received 2 small grants of $250 (Blackfoot) and $1,750 (Avista fund and Montana Community Foundation).

* 1. **Maintenance Update:**

Mrs. Doyle reported that we are almost done with the mowing for the year. Most outside work is finishing up for the season.

Mr. Rasor stated we should go forward with rebuilding the handicap ramp at the gym.

* 1. **Athletic Director Update:**

Mrs. Doyle reported soccer’s final games are this Saturday. Still looking for a basketball coach and a cheer coach. Archery started on Monday with a varsity and a junior varsity team. Their is also a PE team.

1. **Consent Agenda**
   1. **Approval of 9/10/24 Minutes:**

Action Read By: Mr. Rasor; Motion Made By: Mrs. Loyd; 2nd Mrs. Stonehocker.

**On the poll of the Board, Mr. Hannum recused, 3 votes for/ 0 against, motion carried.**

* 1. **Financials, Student Activities, Expenditures:**

Mr. Johnson gave the financial report to the Board. Items of interest include a transfer from the General Fund to the Miscellaneous Fund as we have received reimbursement for expenditures from OPI federal grants.

Action Read By: Mr. Rasor; Motion Made By: Mrs. Loyd; 2nd Mr. Hannum.

**On the poll of the Board, the motion carried unanimously.**

* 1. **Staffing: Substitute list and part time Paraprofessional position.**

Mr. Johnson presented the sub list and the new position of a part Time Paraprofessional - Michelle Naylor. Funding for the position will come from an OPI grant for Title I staffing.

Action Read By: Mr. Rasor; Motion Made By: Mr. Hannum; 2nd Mrs. Stonehocker.

**On the poll of the Board, Mrs. Loyd recused, 3 votes for/ 0 against, motion carried.**

1. **Old Business:**
   1. **Graduate Profile:**

Mrs. Johnson presented the graduate profile and stated we had participation from community, staff, board, and students on the creation of the profile.

Action Read By: Mr. Rasor; Motion Made By: Mr. Hannum; 2nd Mrs. Stonehocker.

**On the poll of the Board, the motion carried unanimously.**

* 1. **Cotrell Building Update:**

Mr. Cotrell presented to the Board what the engineer provided for the school gymnasium. The recommendation was that it is OK to use at this time. The building is in need of a new roof and the foundation has large cracks. It is recommended that the board look into replacing or repairing the roof to potentially add up to 5 years useful life. It is also recommended that the Board look into a full replacement of the gymnasium. The Board asked Mr. Cotrell to look into getting quotes for the gym roof as well as quotes for the school HVAC system. The Board also recommended an update at the November 13th meeting.

* 1. **Facility Use Agreement: Gym Use:**

Discussion was held regarding this. Tabled and moved to the meeting on Monday October 14, 2024.

* 1. **Tenant Pet Deposit Fee:**

Discussion was held regarding this. Tabled until the next regular meeting on November 13, 2024.

* 1. **Board of Trustees Candidate(s):**

The Board of Trustees is looking for a candidate. Tabled until the next regular meeting on November 13, 2024.

1. **New Business:**
   1. **Trustee Resolution - Request for County to Conduct Elections:** Mr. Johnson presented to the Board the request for Sanders County to conduct our elections. This was not provided to the Board of Trustees last fiscal year and it was noted that if the Board is still interested in having the county provide this service, there is still time.

* A motion was made to request Sanders County to conduct the elections for the Trout Creek School District Board of Trustees, in accordance with 20-20-417, MCA, the county will perform the duties imposed on the trustees and the clerk of the district for school elections in 20-20-203, 20-20-313, and 20-20-401, and deliver to the trustees, for the purpose of canvassing the vote, the certified tally sheets and other items as provided in 13-15-301.

Action Read By: Mr. Rasor; Motion Made By: Mr. Hannum; 2nd Mrs. Stonehocker.

**On the poll of the Board, the motion carried unanimously.**

* 1. **Policy Manual - Updates & Board Legislative Contact:** Mr. Johnson handed out to the Board the policy updates from December 2023 that had been approved in prior meetings. Mrs. Stonehocker volunteered as the legislative contact for the board.
  2. **Transportation Committee:** Mr. Rasor volunteered to be the Board representative to the committee. Other members will be the Clerk, Mr. Johnson, and the Site Coordinator, Mrs. Johnson, as well as the representative from the transportation contractor.

1. **Next Meeting Agenda Items**
   * 1. Planning Meeting in November
     2. Board of Trustee Appointee
     3. Facility Use Agreement
     4. Cottrell Building Update Report
     5. Transportation Committee Update
2. **Adjournment** – Meeting was adjourned by Mr. Rasor at 7:30 pm.

Next Regular Board Meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, November 13, 2024.

Respectfully submitted,

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Robert Johnson, District Clerk Date

Approved on \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, 2024.

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D. Scott Rasor, Board Chair Date