

**MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS
OF CUSICK SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 59**

4:00 PM – February 16, 2021 – Library

BOARD OF DIRECTORS:

Paul Edgren, Director, Area 1
Anna Armstrong, Area 2
Mark Cutshall, Area 3
Tye Shanholtzer, Area 4
Thomas Foster, Area 5-Absent

ADMINISTRATIVE/STAFF:

Don Hawpe, Superintendent
Steve Bollinger, K-12 Principal
Greg Bollinger, Athletic Director
Doug Theil, Academic Counselor
S. Hance, Business Manager-via zoom
Regina Williams, Recorder

PRESENT: Ryan Markel-in person, Donna Kelly-via zoom

I. CALL TO ORDER at 4:00 Pledge of Allegiance

II. COMMENTS – None at this time

III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES –Minutes for Board Meeting on January 19, 2021 were approved in motion 2020/2021-51 by Director Edgren, seconded by Director Cutshall and carried 5-0.

IV. PROGRESS REPORTS

A. Kalispel Language Immersion School (KLIS), reports quarterly- written report

- KLIS has resumed onsite classes. Thirteen (13) students have re-enrolled in KLIS in addition to the 17 students who had stayed enrolled. The student enrollment is now 30 as of February 8, 2021. Staff morale is strong. Everyone is glad to be back onsite and together. We are thankful that all staff and students have returned to good health.
- ALE certificated teacher, Suzanne Brooks, is making onsite visits with the students, fulfilling the face to face weekly contact. In addition Todd Ellingburg an approved Cusick School District ALE substitute teacher, is providing support with attendance records and fulfilling weekly contact with students.

B. Greg Bollinger, Athletic Director (A.D.)

- Presented the current athletic schedule for High School sports, Junior High will change due to COVID related issues.
- Some schools are expressing concern that their schools football field will not be acceptable for games and are looking into alternative sites for games.
- Many schools are not allowing visiting team spectators to attend games.

C. Paul Haas, Maintenance and Operation Technician- no report

- I ordered the keys to make the locker room areas more key friendly.
- I received some more youth masks from the county.
- Installed the new solenoid in the elementary drinking fountain. The first one was wrong because they used three different valves in the same model fountains. I ordered two so I will have one on the shelf. It seems these go out on a regular basis.
- Plowed a little but overall so far this is a mild winter, SO FAR.
- Moved desks in rooms and reset the social distance requirement on the desks.
- With sports back in the daily schedule we have made some shift adjustments to insure continued COVID cleaning routines.

D. Stephanie Hance, Business Manager- Budget Status Report, presented via Zoom

- We are in good shape in the GF, no spending in the Capital fund, not much movement in ASB and Transportation. If you have any questions on any items in the Budget status report, please contact me and I will be happy to explain.

E. Steve Bollinger, K-12 Principal/ASB

- All is going well with all the students back in school.
- We purchased new desks to facilitate the necessary social distancing procedures.

F. Chris Evers, Student Assistant Professional, written report

- First, I am grateful to have students back in school full-time. For the majority, I have seen improvement academically, socially and emotionally. For a few of our students, full-time attendance has presented some challenges, but we are working to accommodate them and provide the best and least restrictive environment to support their success. My caseload is nearing average or usual numbers and access to the students has been key, so again, thank you.
- The Angel Tree Christmas gift program with Youth Emergency Services and the Kalispel Tribe was a complete success. I am very grateful for Afton Servas and Janina Persick and their partnering with the school and community. 26 Cusick students/families benefitted from their generosity. We hope to partner again in 2021.
- We have 46 McKinney-Vento students to date – the largest number we have ever had, and several months to go. The extra funds we received from Invest Ed, Pend Oreille County Commissioners and the \$5,000 grant are needed and appreciated.
- We had our first WDFY Wednesday last week – and realized it has been almost a year.
- I will begin “Too Good for Drugs and Alcohol” prevention education series for the JH/HS in the spring when we can have classes outside.
- The Healthy Youth Survey is scheduled for next fall.
- March is School Social Work month and I appreciate the opportunity to serve the Panthers – Chris

G. Jaime Palmer, Home Pride ALE Director, written report

- Home Pride FTW and student enrollment remain constant. Our staff is beginning the process of creating purchase orders for the coming school year.
- We will be having an upcoming student/parent workshop in Newport at the Roxy Theater on February 18, 2021 with all COVID precautions and social distancing requirements implemented, in order to answer questions and provide a long overdue request for the students to socialize in a responsible way.

H. Alan Botzheim, Security Officer, written report

- Observant staff members reported two suspicious incidents during the reporting period. One involved suspicious activity by a student and the other was a reported suspicious vehicle/person in our parking lot. The aforementioned report of suspicious activity by a student, led to the confiscation of contraband, five (5) Vape pens from that student. Further investigation of the suspicious vehicle/person concluded that all was ok. (Our staff members are doing a fantastic job in watching out for the safety of our students and reporting suspicious activity!)
- I would like to recognize and thank the Kalispel Tribal Police Department for their patrol presence around and near our schools, thus creating a safer environment by slowing traffic in the morning hours as students, visitors and staff arrive and leave our campus.
- I would also like to mention how happy everyone is to have k-12 back in our buildings. Our students are doing a fantastic job in following our COVID Safety Protocols and it's such a good feeling having them all here again.

V. NEW BUSINESS

- A. **Donna Kelly-Prevention Coordinator**-Panther County Coalition membership has doubled, we will be conducting Parenting Program, Guiding Good Choices- a Tri-County Virtual Event beginning March 25-April 22. We will also be sending information on the Student Program "Hidden in Plain Sight" and a Virtual Race. Look for more details coming soon.
- B. **Election Information** – Candidate filing week is May 17-May 21, 2021.
- C. **Resignation** – Cynthia Johnston's resignation was accepted in **motion 2020/2021-52** by Director Shanholtzer, seconded by Director Edgren and carried 5-0
- D. **Surplus Items** – Surplus of outdated computers was approved in **motion 2020/2021-53** by Director Edgren, seconded by Director Shanholtzer and carried 5-0.
- E. **Hiring**-motion to hire Roger Williams for halftime custodial until the end of current school year was **approved** in **motion 2020/2021-54** by Director Shanholtzer, seconded by Director Cutshall and carried 5-0.
- F. **Athletic Plan** – For all home games spectators will be required to wear a mask-even outside-spectators must sit 6 feet apart except for family members to accommodate social distancing requirements. Teams on the bench, chairs must be placed 3-6 feet apart. Senior night will be our 1st home game 1 week from today. Balls will need to be sanitized after every point in volleyball and at every possession for football. We are planning to stream the games and have ordered a device to use in the Gym for Volleyball and Basketball games. At this time we are only allowing students on the teams 4 tickets each and only Senior Parents for visiting teams.
- G. **Volunteer-Football & Volleyball** –Hailey Shanholtzer was approved in **motion 2020/2021-55** by Director Edgren, seconded by Director Cutshall and carried 5-0
- H. **Coaches for Spring Sports 2020/2021**–**Softball** Head Coach Monica Allen was approved in **motion 2020/2021-56** by Director Shanholtzer, seconded by Director Cutshall and carried 5-0. **Golf** Head Coach Phillip Nomee was approved in **motion 2020/2021-57** by Director Shanholtzer, seconded by Director Cutshall and carried 5-0. **Baseball** Head Coach Cory Swennumson was approved in **motion 2020/2021-58** by Director Shanholtzer, seconded by Director Cutshall and carried 5-0.
- I. **Coaches for Winter Sports 2020/2021**–**Girls Basketball** Head Coach Marcella Haynes was approved in **motion 2020/2021-59** by Director Shanholtzer, seconded by Director Cutshall and carried 5-0. **Boys Basketball** Head Coach Rob Seymour was approved in **motion 2020/2021-60** by Director Shanholtzer, seconded by Director Cutshall and carried 5-0. **Boys Basketball** Assistant Coach Phillip Nomee was approved in **motion 2020/2021-61** by Director Shanholtzer, seconded by Director Cutshall and carried 5-0.
- J. **March Board meeting**- March 16, 2021 @ 4:00, confirmed; appreciation dinner to follow.
- K. **Executive Session**-

VI. OLD BUSINESS

- A. **Graduation Pathways**- Class numbers are very low, it may be necessary to eliminate of the existing pathways. Recommendations coming possibly as early as the next School Board Meeting.

- VII. **CONSENT AGENDA**- There will be no separate discussion of these items unless a member of the Board or a citizen in attendance requests that the item be removed from the consent agenda.

A. APPROVAL VOTE OF WARRANTS;

B. APPROVAL VOTE OF PAYROLL;

February Consent Agenda approved in **motion 2020/2021-62** by Director Cutshall, seconded by Director Foster and carried 5-0.

VIII. EXECUTIVE SESSION – By law no decisions can be made in Executive Session. Whether any decisions on issues will be forthcoming must be announced prior to going into Executive Session along with anticipated length of session. Executive session was called at 5:21 for 45 minutes for Professional negotiations, possible Property Acquisitions with no decisions anticipated. Returned to regular session at 6:05

IX. ADJOURNMENT – The meeting was adjourned at 6:06 in **motion 2020/2021-63** by Director Edgren, seconded by Director Shanholtzer, and carried 5-0.


Board Chairman


Secretary to Board/Superintendent

Regina Williams, Recorder