Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Anne Ochs at 6:00 PM in the Board Room at the Educational Service Center with the following trustees also present: Linda Bricker, Ken Clouston, Lisa Durgin, David Foreman, Joe Lawrence, and Larry Steiger.

Others participating in the meeting include: Dr. Alex Ayers, Superintendent; Mr. Kirby Eisenhauer, Deputy Superintendent; Mr. Dennis Holmes, Associate Superintendent for Instructional Support; Dr. Larry Reznicek, Human Resources Manager; Mr. Frank Stevens, attorney; and Tracy Peterson, Secretary to the Board.

Also present: Bertine Bahige, Halley Elliston, Brittany Boeding, Sandi Kinnear, Laura Miller, Ken Shannon, Gay Ann Bitner, Roxanne Everhard, Patricia Kearnes, Dawn Mackenzie, Cliff Toole, Cassia Catterall, Megan Bietz, Judith Crow, Susan Knesel, Carolin Hardesty, Sean Barrick, Nate Cassidy, and Brad Gregorich.

Additions or Changes to the Agenda

Dr. Lawrence requested that Policy 6144, Library Media Services, be removed from the Consent Agenda.

Celebration

Buffalo Ridge Elementary Principal Nate Cassidy introduced Music Teacher, Mrs. Bjordahl and members of the 3<sup>rd</sup>-6<sup>th</sup> grade choir who sang "Snow" by Teresa Jennings.

Academic Reports

Buffalo Ridge Elementary Principal Nate Cassidy provided an academic report for Buffalo Ridge Elementary School.

Hillcrest Elementary Principal Brad Gregorich provided an academic report for Hillcrest Elementary School.

## **CONSENT AGENDA**

Dr. Clouston abstained from voting on warrants #385602 and #385603 payable to Gillette Physical Therapy, Mr. Steiger abstained from voting on warrant #385715 payable to him, and Chairman Ochs abstained from voting on warrant #385644 payable to her.

A motion was made by Mr. Foreman and seconded by Dr. Clouston to approve all items on the Consent Agenda except Policy 6144, Library Media Services. The motion carried unanimously.

Dr. Reznicek shared information about the policy committee and the processes to review and revise policies. Chairman Ochs opened the discussion to the public for comments regarding Policy 6144, Library Media Services.

After discussion of Policy 6144, Library Media Services, Mrs. Bricker made a motion to approve the recommendation of revisions, and Dr. Clouston seconded the motion. The motion carried with Chairman Ochs, Mr. Foreman, Dr. Clouston, Mrs. Bricker, and Mrs. Durgin voting "yes", and Dr. Lawrence and Mr. Steiger voting "no".

Minutes

Minutes of the December 14, 2021 Board of Trustees regular meeting were approved.

Minutes of the December 14, 2021 Board of Trustees special board dinner meeting were approved.

Human Resources Actions The following actions taken by the Human Resources Department were approved:

## EDUCATION SUPPORT PERSONNEL

Resignations

Kaitlin Bailey

Cameron Benedict

Flor Camp

Cathy Donald

Paulanne Downey

Bus Driver in Training/Transportation

Activity Driver/Transportation

SPEA – ASD/Lakeview

Bus Assistant/Transportation

Library/Media Assistant/Rawhide

Jerome Vincent Elero Sanitizer/Paintbrush

Kenneth Fugate

Bus Driver in Training/Transportation

Bus Driver in Training/Transportation

Bus Driver in Training/Transportation

Ashley Klein Bus Driver/Transportation

Christina Krasovich Elementary Office Clerk/Rawhide Emily Lucero Instructional Asst – Study Hall/Sage Valley

Jessica Pate Bus Driver/Transportation
Brenda Pina Hemeyer SPEA – High Needs/TBHS
Cory Reeves Bus Driver/Transportation

Alicia Shaffer Asst. Supv. Nutrition Svcs./Nutrition Services

Kirstie Sloan
Jennifer Toland
Ana Valeriano
Kisa Young
Bus Driver/Transportation
Bus Assistant/Transportation
Bus Assistant/Transportation
Guidance Secretary/CCHS

New Hires - Regular

Anthony Campese SPEA – ED/CCHS

Brittany Christensen Kinderday Assistant/Pronghorn
Reggie Coombs Technology Assistant/TBHS
Deborah Garland Bus Assistant/Transportation
Tripolyn Johnson Assistant Cook/Nutrition Services
Alissa McFarlane Library/Media Asst./Rawhide
Kimberly McNeil Instructional Asst./Wagonwheel

Brian Mego Custodian/Rozet

Sadie Record High School Office Clerk/TBHS

Brooke Roberson Skilled Maintenance – Grounds/Maintenance Evan Wieburg Skilled Maintenance – Grounds/Maintenance

New Hires-Substitute/Temporaries

Syrus Bartles Student Custodian/TBHS
Christie Miller Sanitizer/Lakeview

**Transfers** 

Abigail Bradford FROM: SPEA/Buffalo Ridge

TO: Skilled Maintenance - Irrigation

Specialist/Maintenance

Christie Miller FROM: Bus Assistant/Transportation

TO: Safety Patrol/Transportation

Theresa Montague FROM: Special Programs Ed. Asst/Lakeview

TO: SPEA/ASD/Lakeview

Ashley Sherman FROM: SPEA – High Needs/SVJH

TO: Special Programs Ed. Asst./Hillcrest

Kenneth Smith FROM: Bus Driver in Training/Transportation

TO: Bus Driver/Transportation

Ashley Thomas FROM: Title I Asst./Rawhide

TO: Elementary Office Clerk/Rawhide

Kenna Vance FROM: Skilled Maintenance –

Grounds/Maintenance

TO: Skilled Maintenance – Locksmith/Maintenance

## CERTIFIED New Hires – Substitutes/Temporaries

Substitute Teacher/All Schools Linda Barbour Caitlin Bentz Substitute Teacher/All Schools Kade Bradley Substitute Teacher/All Schools Makayla Daniels Substitute Teacher/All Schools Miranda Fifield Substitute Teacher/All Schools Nicole Hankinson Substitute Teacher/All Schools Lateesha Hiser Substitute Teacher/All Schools Patrick Johns Substitute Teacher/All Schools Substitute Teacher/All Schools Jillian Mills Mason Powell Substitute Teacher/All Schools Substitute Teacher/All Schools Claire Schaffer Kathryn Wright Substitute Teacher/All Schools

**Extra Duty Resignations** 

Bre'Allan Bartell 7/8 Cheerleading Coach – Fall/Twin Spruce
Bre'Allan Bartell 7/8 Cheerleading Coach – Winter/Twin Spruce

Courtney Lutgen Asst. Football Coach/CCHS
Jamie Wilson Asst. Football Coach/TBHS

**Extra Duty Transfers** 

Eric Finn FROM: Asst. Football Coach/CCHS
TO: Asst. Football Coach/TBHS

Warrants The following warrants were ratified and approved:

Payroll Warrants 230361 - 230588 Combined Fund Warrants 385486 - 385772

**ACH Combined Funds** 1529 **ACH Nutritional Services** 1479, 1519 Major Maintenance Warrants 8682 - 8693 12400 - 12429 **Nutritional Services Fund Warrants** 4449 - 4454 Insurance Warrants **Student Activities Warrants** 37133 - 37146 **CCHS** Activities 6409 - 6440 **TBHS** Activities 1724 - 1751 1433 - 1441 **WJSH Activities** 

Bids and Quotes

The following bids and quotes were ratified and approved:

1. Colored Copy Paper was awarded to Wyoming Office Products in the amount of \$40,870.06.

The following bids and quotes were approved:

- 1. Campbell County High School Gym II Lighting Upgrade Project awarded to Daktronics ACE Inc. in the amount of \$9,450.00.
- Conestoga Elementary School Fire Alarm Systems Replacement awarded to Collins Communications in the amount of \$82,399.88.
- 3. Recluse Elementary School Intercom System Replacement awarded to Collins Communications in the amount of \$74,430.44.

Contracts and Agreements

The following contracts and agreements were approved:

- 1. District FastBridge Annual Renewal Subscription with Illuminate Education
- 2. Twin Spruce Junior High School Flooring Replacement with Areate Design Group
- 3. Memorandum of Understanding with The Counseling Center
- 4. Campbell County High School Parking Lot Lights with Ace, Inc.

**Policies** 

Revisions to Policy 5027 Homeless Children and Administrative Regulation 5027-R Homeless Children were approved.

Revisions to Policy 5110 Surrogate Parents and Administrative Regulation 5110-R Surrogate Parents were approved.

Review with no changes to Policy 5130 Activities Participant Drug Testing and revisions to Administrative Regulation 5130-R Activities Participant Drug Testing were approved.

Revisions to Policy 6144 Library Media Services was approved.

Student Expulsions

Students #17 and #18 were expelled for one calendar year with early re-admittance under strict probation.

Mileage Reimbursement Rate

The mileage reimbursement rate of .585 cents per mile was approved effective January 1, 2022. The rate aligns with IRS regulations as outlined in Administrative Regulation 4260-R, Mileage Reimbursement.

Surplus Requests

Administration approved surplus and recycle of obsolete and outdated items.

## CONSENT AGENDA ENDS

Seal of Biliteracy

Dr. Shannon and Mr. Bahige provided information about the Seal of Biliteracy award for diplomas upon graduation to recognize students who have studied and attained proficiency in two or more languages by high school graduation. The award given to students by local school districts is a statement of accomplishment for future employers and college admissions.

Dr. Lawrence made a motion to approve the Seal of Biliteracy. Mr. Foreman seconded the motion, and the motion carried unanimously.

COVID-19 Update

Administration provided a COVID-19 update. Mr. Eisenhauer reported that the district has worked with local public health officials and the Wyoming Department of Health regarding the additional guidance from the CDC for isolation and quarantine. Staff and students with a positive test of COVID-19 will isolate for five days, and if they remain asymptomatic, are improving, and fever-free for 24 hours, can return to work and/or school. Staff and students exposed to COVID-19 due to close contact with a positive individual will quarantine for five days, with day zero being the day of contact. Quarantined staff and students who do not develop any symptoms after the required five days may return to work and/or school.

The new "Test to Stay" option for quarantined staff and students due to a close contact with a positive individual is voluntary and adds added flexibility. Quarantined staff or students have the option of daily testing by the district nurses for five days. The first day of testing will begin the day after the close contact. Testing appointments begin at 7:00 am, can be scheduled on the district website, and are conducted in two designated parking spaces at the Educational Service Center. If the test is negative, the staff member or student may go to work/school, and they are required to wear masks until the quarantine is complete. Staff and students who have a school activity on the weekend will need a negative test to participate and students are not required to wear a mask when participating in an event.

Transportation Staffing Update

Mr. Chrans provided a transportation staffing update and shared that the department has an extreme shortage of bus drivers, which puts the district in an emergency situation

affecting route efficiency. The transportation office staff, dispatchers, and mechanics are covering routes if needed. Routes have been consolidated, which makes them longer for students. According to a statewide survey, the district starting bus driver pay is in the bottom third of those who responded. A Bus Driver Emergency Pay Plan was reviewed with the following recommendations: increase the starting bus driver hourly rate from \$16.20 per hour to \$19.34 per hour for the remainder of the year and the 2022-2023 school year; increase the pay schedule for current employees; and offer a \$25.00 per route stipend (a.m. and p.m.) to the office staff, dispatchers, and mechanics who cover routes. The transportation budget will cover all increases.

After discussion, Dr. Lawrence made a motion to approve the Bus Driver Emergency Pay Plan for the remainder of the year and the 2022-2023 school year. Mr. Foreman seconded the motion, and the motion carried unanimously.

American Rescue Plan (ARP)

Mr. Holmes recognized Sandi Kinnear, Administrative Assistant for Grants & Federal Programs for the work she put into the ARP Implementation Plan Template and thanked all the committee members including Chairman Ochs and Mr. Steiger who are on the committee for their time, hard work, and effort. Mr. Holmes reviewed the template, which is the district's plan for spending, in compliance with federal law required for the ARP ESSER funds the district received to help safely reopen and sustain the safe operation of schools due to the coronavirus pandemic. The ARP Implementation Plan Template will be posted on the Campbell County School District website and submitted to the Wyoming Department of Education prior to January 18, 2022.

Dr. Lawrence made a motion to approve the ARP Implementation Plan Template, and Mr. Foreman seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

**Public Comments** 

Public comments were heard on a CDL waiver option for the bussing shortage, and the Campbell County Education Association President thanked administration for allowing her to meet about the statewide survey.

Trustee Celebrations

Chairman Ochs thanked everyone for the work that went into the ARP Implementation Plan, and expressed her appreciation to the board members for the time and effort spent at the retreat/workshop and the board meeting.

Adjournment

With no other business before the board, the meeting was adjourned at 8:17 pm.

Secretary Tracy Peterson

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Chairman	Clerk