

Syringa Mountain School  
Board Meeting Minutes – 4/21/2021  
APPROVED 5/19/2021

Nigel Whittington  
Randy Flood  
Mike Allaire  
Christi Thompson  
Sandi Viau  
Lauren Levig  
Nathan Twichell  
Brian McCauley  
Pat Owen

- I. 5:30 PM Opening
- II. Any Additions, Corrections, Modifications, or Substitutions to the current agenda
  - A. None
- III. Public Comment
  - A. Concern regarding critical race theory
- IV. Consent Agenda
  - A. Approval of 3/16/2021 BOD Meeting Minutes
    1. Motion by SV; 2nd BY LL. All in favor.
  - B. Approval of 3/18/2021 BOD Work Session Minutes
    1. Motion by LL; 2nd by NT. All in favor.
  - C. Approval of 4/6/2021 BOD Work Session Minutes
    1. Motion by subject to name correction by SV; 2nd by LL. All in favor.
  - D. Approval of 4/11/2021 BOD Work Session Minutes
    1. Motion by subject to name correction by LL; 2nd by SV. All in favor.
- V. Old Business
  - A. Financial Update
    1. Sandi update of finance committee meeting.
    2. Cares spending not all reimbursed yet.
  - B. Action Item: Approve Quest CPA PLLC Contract
    1. \$5,950 for audit and \$900 for form 990 prep.
    2. Motion to approve by NT; 2nd by MA. All in favor.
  - C. Parent Council Update
    1. Van decal project is done. Thanks, Aris!
    2. School store - reprint of mis-printed items
    3. Staff meal spots needed
    4. Staff appreciation lunch

5. Raffle item procurement

D. Teacher Update

1. Earth day events in individual classes.
2. Hard work on strategic planning.
3. ISAT season for 3rd and up.

E. Action Item: Approve new school calendar

1. Aligned with Blaine county for days off as much as possible.
2. Week before school starts, there is no HUB because Blaine County is in session. BPD asks PC to brainstorm camp ideas for that week.
3. Motion to approve by MA; 2nd by SV. All in favor.

VI. New Business

A. Go over 5000 series policies

1. Kristen to send overview. Will vote later over email.

B. Action Item: Approve new Blue Cross Insurance renewal rates

1. 2.8% increase to medical coverage. No change for dental or vision.
2. Motion to approve by SV; 2nd by MA. All in favor.

C. Legislative updates/mandates that may affect current operating procedures

1. Pending bill in house:
  - a) Nobody can mandate masks in Idaho public buildings.
  - b) SMS and Blaine County currently has mask mandate.
2. Idaho Freedom Foundation response to bill due to Critical Race Theory in classrooms.
  - a) No education spending has passed.

D. Review dividend agreements for staff

1. Reminder of \$1,000 bonus for returning staff when school has good fiscal standing per discussions at previous meetings.

VII. Executive Session as Authorized by Idaho Code 67-2345b for personnel issues or other identified legitimate reasons as identified by Open Meeting Law if needed.

A. Roll call in 6:31 PM: RF, MA, SV, LL, NT, PO, NW, CT, BM

VIII. Adjourned 8:20 PM