

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING
OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES
ROBERTS SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 5
DECEMBER 14, 2022**

The regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of Roberts School District No. 5, Roberts, Montana was called to order by Vice Chair Brandon Crane at 6:00 p.m. on December 14, 2022 in the library at the Roberts School.

ATTENDANCE

Brandon Crane, Vice Chair
Joel Bertolino
Sam Langager (arrived at 6:22 p.m.)
Mariah Holdbrook

ABSENT: Michelle Swansborough, Chair

Alex Ator, Superintendent
JaLayne Obert, Business Manager/Clerk

GUESTS: Jackie Ronning, Raina Wedeward, Ressa Herta, Darryl Grove, Sarah Shoopman, Katie Day, Leslie Inderland

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The meeting began with the Pledge of Allegiance.

MINUTES

Motion was made by Joel Bertolino, seconded by Mariah Holdbrook and carried unanimously to approve the minutes of the November 16, 2022 regular meeting as presented. (YES—Crane, Bertolino, Holdbrook. NO—none).

WARRANTS

Motion was made by Mariah Holdbrook, seconded by Joel Bertolino and carried unanimously to approve warrants 48846-48900 as presented. (YES—Crane, Bertolino, Holdbrook. NO—none).

PUBLIC COMMENT

Members of the Carbon County Health Department were in attendance to answer any questions of the board.

TEACHER REPORTS

Raina Wedeward, Ressa Herta, and Darryl Grove gave teacher reports for the month.

Miss Wedeward stated she teaches second grade full-time and first grade in the afternoon. She stated she has worked hard to set up routines to make learning earlier for the younger students and gave an overview of her day. She added it has been great teaching with Ressa Herta this year.

Ms. Herta reported she is teaching first grade in the morning and special education in the afternoon. She stated she received training on the Science of Reading this summer and has

been utilizing what she learned in her classroom. She added she also works with Katy Rausch for math.

(Sam Langager arrived at 6:22 pm.).

Mr. Grove reported he has 42 students in Ag-Ed in grades 7-12 and will have three more sophomores next semester. He added in Montana if you take an Ag class, you are a member of FFA so those students are also FFA members.

Mr. Grove stated he took 22 students to John Deere Ag-Days in Bozeman, the group has finished fruit/meat/cookie sales and are putting together flower arrangements for sale. He added he has a senior who would like to run for a state office.

ACTIVITIES REPORT – Sarah Shoopman reported the following for activities:

1. Elementary/junior high girls' basketball is over and she saw a lot of growth in the players this year.
2. High school basketball is underway and both teams played in a tournament at Lockwood. There are 18 girls participating and 12 boys.
3. New room for the officials is amazing and we were able to use it last week.
4. MHSAA Annual Meeting is coming up in January in Missoula and proposals include one to add a private school multiplier which could push some schools up a classification, combining enrollments of schools involved in a co-op to determine classification, adding lacrosse and esports as allowable sports.

After board discussion, it was decided Roberts would vote yes on the first two proposals and no on the addition of lacrosse and esports.

LITERACY UPDATE – Jackie Ronning stated the leadership group for the literacy grant met after school today and set a date of January 10 to meet and work on a literacy statement. She asked if any of the board members would be interested in participating in this endeavor. Mariah Holdbrook stated she could work with the group.

NEW BUSINESS

ELECTION CALENDAR – Mr. Ator stated the election calendar for the trustee election on Tuesday, May 2, 2023 is in the board packet.

SUPERINTENDENT REPORT

MEETING DATES

Mr. Ator stated the next meeting date is December 20, 2022 for a special meeting, January 18, 2023 and February 15, 2023 for regular meetings.

SCHOOL OFFICE CLOSURE – Mr. Ator stated the administrative offices will be closed between Christmas and New Year.

BATHROOM UPDATE – Mr. Ator stated the tile is up and the sinks and showers are working in the new bathroom.

SUPERINTENDENT EVALUATION TIMELINE – Mr. Ator stated he will get evaluation material to board members in January and hopefully conduct the evaluation in February.

ADJOURNMENT

Vice Chair Brandon Crane called for adjournment at 7:05 p.m.

Board Vice Chair

District Clerk

**MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL MEETING
OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES
ROBERTS SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 5
DECEMBER 20, 2022**

The special meeting of the Board of Trustees of Roberts School District No. 5, Roberts, Montana was called to order by Chair Michelle Swansborough at 4:25 p.m. on December 20, 2022 in the library at the Roberts School.

ATTENDANCE

Michelle Swansborough, Chair
Brandon Crane, Vice Chair
Joel Bertolino
Sam Langager
Mariah Holdbrook

Alex Ator, Superintendent

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The meeting began with the Pledge of Allegiance.

REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF CLAIMS, SEQUENCES, AND VOIDED CHECKS

Motion was made by Mariah Holdbrook, seconded by Joel Bertolino and carried unanimously to approve warrants 48901-48922 as presented. (YES—Swansborough, Crane, Bertolino, Holdbrook, Langager. NO—none).

ADJOURNMENT

Michelle Swansborough adjourned the meeting at 4:27 p.m.

Board Chair

District Clerk