

SCHOOL BOARD MEETING
 JANUARY 21, 2020
 SCHOOL ADMINISTRATION OFFICE

Prior to the first agenda item, Chairman Abrego stated that there was an amendment to the published agenda to add a name to agenda item 1.D. Good News to recognize a teacher who was awarded the educator of the year from another organization.

- I. **CALL MEETING TO ORDER** – Chairperson/Vice-chairperson. Chairman Abrego convened the regular meeting of the Board of Trustees at 7:30 p.m.

Trustees Present: Chairman Abrego, Vice-Chair Binion, Trustee Donahue, Trustee Monasterio, Trustee Knox

Chairman Abrego motioned to amend the agenda to add a name to agenda item 1.D. Good News, to recognize a teacher who was recognized by another organization, in accordance with Idaho Code, Title 74, Chapter 2, Section 74-204(4)(C) – Amending a Published Agenda. Trustee Donahue seconded the motion. Motion approved.

Chairman Abrego then asked everyone to stand for the Pledge of Allegiance.

A. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

- B. ADMINISTER TRUSTEE OATH** – Sharon Whitman. Clerk Whitman administered the Trustee Oath of Office. *(A copy of the Oath of Office will be on file in the district office, with the Clerk of the Board.)*

- C. SIGN CODE OF ETHICS** – Sharon Whitman. Clerk Whitman had the trustees sign their Trustee Code of Ethics. *(A copy of the Code of Conduct will be on file in the district office, with the Clerk of the Board, and published on the district website .(www.mtnhomesd.org))*

D. ELECTION OF SCHOOL DISTRICT OFFICERS – January 2020 through January 2021

1. **Appoint acting chairperson.** Chairman Abrego temporarily relinquished the chair position and appointed Clerk Whitman as the acting Chair, so that the business of nominating a Chairperson for 2020 could be conducted.
2. **Nomination and election of Chairperson, Board of Trustees, 2020.** Clerk Whitman, acting Chair, opened nominations for Chairperson. Trustee Monasterio nominated Eric Abrego as chairperson with a second from Trustee Knox. There being no other nominations, Clerk Whitman asked for a motion to close nominations. Trustee Monasterio motioned to close nominations with a second from Trustee Abrego. Clerk Whitman closed nominations. Clerk Whitman declared Trustee Abrego as Chairperson for 2020.
3. **Chairperson-elect assumed duties of acting chairperson**
4. **Nomination and election of Vice Chairperson, Board of Trustees, 2020.** Chairman Abrego opened nominations for Vice-Chairperson. Trustee Monasterio nominated Trustee Binion as vice-chairperson with a second from Trustee Donahue. There being no other nominations, Chairman Abrego closed nominations and declared Trustee Binion as the vice-chairperson for 2020.
5. **Election of Clerk, School District 193, for 2019.** Chairman Abrego opened nominations for Clerk. Trustee Binion nominated Sharon Whitman as Clerk. Trustee Donahue seconded the motion. With there being no other nominations, Chairman Abrego declared Sharon Whitman elected Clerk for 2020.
6. **Election of Deputy Clerk, School District 193, 2019.** Chairman Abrego opened nominations for Deputy Clerk. Trustee Donahue nominated Levi Vick as Deputy Clerk, with a second from Trustee Donahue. With there being no other nominations, Chairman Abrego declared Levi Vick as Deputy Clerk for 2020.

7. **Election of Treasurer, School District 193, for 2019.** Chairman Abrego opened nominations for Treasurer. Trustee Binion nominated Levi Vick as Treasurer, with a second from Trustee Donahue. With there being no other nominations. Chairman Abrego declared Levi Vick elected Treasurer for 2020.

E. GOOD NEWS –

Each month, the school board encourages students, teachers, administrators, and board members to recognize the notable activities, events, celebrations, student achievements & awards, etc., that have occurred in the school district or in the community.

1. Ralph Binion – VFW representative – Mr. Binion stated that he was temporarily changing positions from a school board trustee to a VFW representative. He then explained the details of the two VFW essay contests and recognized Miya Ingram for her winning essay on the Voice of Democracy and Laura Sanchez for her winning essay for the Patriots Pen. He also recognized and thanked Julie Corder for being the coordinator. Mr. Binion, continuing as the VFW representative, awarded Matt Bundy as the VFW Teacher of the Year for Idaho and presented him with a VFW plaque and a check for \$100.

- II. **APPROVAL OF AGENDA OR ADDENDUMS –** Chairman/Vice-chairman. Chairman Abrego asked if other than the amendment was there anything else to add or remove. Chairman Abrego then called for a motion to approve the agenda including the amendment. Trustee Binion moved to approve the agenda including the amendment, with a second from Trustee Donahue. Agenda carried.

- III. **CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS –** Board of Trustees. Chairman Abrego called for a motion to approve the consent agenda items. Trustee Monasterio moved to approve the consent agenda, with a second from Trustee Binion. Chairman Abrego abstained due to conflict of interest regarding the Consideration of Bills, as he works for one of the companies. Motion granted.

A. APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE REGULAR BOARD MEETING OF DECEMBER 17, 2019.

B. FINANCIAL REPORTS

C. CONSIDERATION OF BILLS

D. PERSONNEL

E. POLICY ADOPTION – 3rd and Final Reading

1. School Climate Policy

F. POLICY REVISION – 3rd and Final Reading

1. Restraint or Seclusion of a Student Policy

G. POLICY ADOPTION – 2nd Reading

1. Title I Program – Parental Involvement Policy – Development of District Policy

IV. **DELEGATION – NONE**

Any group wishing to be a delegation must submit a letter to the Superintendent Administrative Assistant/Clerk of the Board no later than the Tuesday prior to the next regular board meeting; the letter must include the reason for asking to be a delegation.

V. **PUBLIC INPUT –**

*Those wishing to speak on any topic of their interest should complete and submit to the chairperson the **MHSD Request to Address Board of Trustees Form** located at the Board Materials table. The Individuals will be allowed a maximum of three minutes to present their views. The board will not hear complaints against school district employees by name or against students by name in open session. If you have a complaint against personnel or students by name, you need to schedule an appointment with the Superintendent. There will be no action taken at this time, but action on a problem area could be scheduled for a subsequent meeting of the board.*

- A. Sylvia Nixon – Backpack Brigade – Informed the board about their organization and purpose and what types of items they could provide to needy students and teachers.

VI. **REPORTS –**

- A. **MOUNTAIN HOME AFB UPDATE –** MHAFB Liaison. Mr. Niksich informed the board on the status of the deployments. He informed the board that there are lots of requests for volunteers and some days we have enough airman to volunteer and other days we won't; we'll do our best. He again reminded administrators that he needs at least a two-week notice to recruit volunteers.

Mr. Niksich notified everyone that Mr. Martin, PE teacher from West Elementary, was the Educator of the Quarter. The next selection will be February 12, so get your nominations in on time.

Mr. Niksich informed everyone that April is the Month of the Military Child and explained how this was getting bigger nationwide and should especially be in our community. He added that he would like to see the school district and the community wear purple on April 24 in celebration of the Military Child.

- B. SUPERINTENDENT’S REPORT** – James Gilbert. Superintendent Gilbert reported on the status of the recent sewage and water main break and that contrary to what people were posting on social media, the lines have been repaired, restoration is in progress, and the bell will be put back in place. He thanked some contractors who were in town that fixed the leak. Superintendent Gilbert informed everyone that the repairs is a substantial cost to the district’s plant facility account so the concession bathroom and the resurfacing and rebasing of the track would have to be postponed and phased into another plant facility levy; hopefully, the upcoming plant facility levy election will pass so that the district could address those facility needs along with some other facility repairs.

Superintendent Gilbert reported on the status of the upcoming community survey. He said we are using the same company as the last survey a few years ago in which we take the list of all registered voters in the MHSD and research their phone numbers; we then highlight every 7th to 10th person and the company will randomly call those numbers to ask their feelings about the district’s facilities and their feelings on whether they would support a bond. Superintendent Gilbert also said the survey will give the board an idea of how to proceed for the future regarding the district facilities.

Chairman Abrego inquired about the bell. Superintendent Gilbert said the plan all along was to reincorporate the bell back into the building. He added that the bell was donated from the 1966 Boy’s Club, which was a club that all the male students were members of. Discussion began on the upcoming survey which will start March 24. Trustee Knox asked if the survey has positive results when would the district be able to start thinking about building a new building? Superintendent Gilbert responded that ideally, we would put a community facilities committee together that is run by the community and not the school district, the committee would have to be community members and not school district members; the community facilities committee could potentially run a bond election next May.

VII. UNFINISHED BUSINESS – NONE

VIII. NEW BUSINESS –

- A. OUT-OF-DISTRICT OPEN ENROLLMENT APPLICATIONS – 2020-2021** – James Gilbert. Superintendent Gilbert requested approval of the open enrollment application for the 2020-2021 school year. The parents will provide transportation to and from school.
1. Crystal Waller for her 11th grader, BMS
 2. Jeff Blanksma for his 12th grader, MHHS

Trustee Donahue motioned to approve the Out-of-District Open Enrollment Application as presented by Superintendent Gilbert, with a second from Trustee Knox. Motion passed.

- B. ESTABLISH SCHEDULE FOR REGULAR MEETINGS** – Sharon Whitman. Clerk Whitman requested approval to establish a uniform day of a uniform week at a uniform time for the regular board meetings. She suggested the Board keep the same schedule as used in the past. Trustee Binion moved to keep the established third Tuesday of each month, at 7:30 a.m., at the School District Administration Office, 470 North 3rd East, as the regular meeting time, date, and location for the forth coming year as presented by Clerk Whitman. Trustee Donahue seconded the motion. Motion approved.

- C. DESIGNATION OF PUBLIC POSTING LOCATIONS** – Sharon Whitman. Clerk Whitman requested approval of the designated public posting locations and the district’s Facebook page as the posting location. Trustee Monasterio moved to keep the following locations as the designated public posting locations including the district’s Facebook page, for the forth coming year as presented by Clerk Whitman. Motion seconded by Trustee Knox Motion granted.

1. School Administration Office, 470 North 3rd East
2. Elmore County Courthouse, 150 South 4th East
3. Mountain Home City Hall, 160 South 3rd East
4. MHSD Facebook
5. www.mtnhomesd.org

- D. APPROVAL OF DISTRICT CALENDARS – MHSD & BMS – 2020-2021 (ACTION)** – James Gilbert. Superintendent Gilbert requested approval of the 2020-2021 District and BMS Calendars, He informed the board that they almost mimic this school year’s calendar. He added that there has been a lot of positive comments on where the breaks are built in by parents and staff. He also added that depending on the outcome of negotiations, this calendar might change. Trustee Binion motioned to approve the 2020-2021 District and BMS calendars as presented. Trustee Donahue seconded the motion. Motion carried.
- E. POLICY ADOPTION – 1st Reading – James Gilbert**
1. **Building & Student Safety Policy – Evacuation/Fire Drills** – Superintendent Gilbert presented the 1st reading of the proposed adoptions of Mountain Home School District No. 193 Building & Student Safety Policy – Evacuation/Fire Drills for approval. He stated that this policy is required by the State Board of Education. Trustee Donahue motioned to approve the 1st reading of the proposed adoption of the Building & Student Safety Policy – Evacuation/Fire Drills, as presented by Superintendent Gilbert. Trustee Binion seconded the motion. Motion passed.
- F. POLICY REVISION – 1st Reading – James Gilbert.** Superintendent Gilbert presented the 1st reading of the proposed revisions of Mountain Home School District No. 193 Board Meeting Agenda Preparation Policy, School Wellness Policy, and Purchasing Policy 1 – District Purchasing for approval. He stated that these policies were revised using the suggested language of MSBT and district operating procedures.
1. **Student Alternative Placement of Secondary Students at Alternative School Policy** – Superintendent Gilbert presented the 1st reading of the proposed revision of Mountain Home School District No. 193 Student Alternative Placement of Secondary Students at Alternative School Policy. He said this policy was revised to reflect the current procedure and requirements for students to be placed at BMS. Trustee Binion motioned to approve the 1st reading of the proposed revision of the Student Alternative Placement of Secondary Students at Alternative School Policy, as presented by Superintendent Gilbert. Trustee Donahue seconded the motion. Motion approved.
 2. **Student Referral from BMS to MHHS or MHJH Policy** – Superintendent Gilbert presented the 1st reading of the proposed revision of Mountain Home School District No. 193 Student Referral from BMS to MHHS or MHJH Policy. He said this policy was revised to clarify the requirements for a BMS to return to either MHHS or MHJH and to change all references of BMHS to BMS. Trustee Monasterio requested possibly adding, “...and possibility for disciplinary actions if appropriate...” Discussion began regarding adding a statement about discipline because the purpose of BMS is not for discipline, but for at-risk students and credit recovery. Ultimately, the board agreed it was better to change the word “will” to “may.” Trustee Monasterio motioned to approve the 1st reading of the proposed revision of the Student Referral from BMS to MHHS or MHJH Policy including the revision as discussed, received a second from Trustee Binion. Motion granted.
 3. **Certified Workday Requirements Including Extended Employment, Prep Time, & In-Service Policy** – Superintendent Gilbert presented the 1st reading of the proposed revision of Mountain Home School District No. 193 Certified Workday Requirements Including Extended Employment, Prep Time, & In-Service Policy. He said this policy was revised to change 187-days to 189-days as agreed upon during negotiations, and to strike the reference, “...in the fall of 2015...” Trustee Binion motioned to approve the 1st reading of the proposed revision of the Certified Workday Requirements Including Extended Employment, Prep Time, & In-Service Policy, as presented by Superintendent Gilbert. Trustee Donahue seconded the motion. Motion carried.
- G. POLICY REVIEW – 1st & Only Reading – No Changes – James Gilbert.** Superintendent Gilbert informed the Board that the Asbestos Management Plan (AHERA) Policy was reviewed by the Policy Committee and they determined that no revisions were necessary. Trustee Knox motioned for approval of the review with no changes of the Asbestos Management Plan (AHERA) Policy, as presented by Superintendent Gilbert, with a second from Trustee Binion. Motion passed.
1. **Asbestos Management Plan (AHERA) Policy**
- H. AUTHORIZATION TO DECREASE MILEAGE** – James Gilbert. Superintendent Gilbert requested permission to decrease mileage from \$.58 to \$.575 to match the state’s comptroller mileage

reimbursement amount; a statement reflecting that the district will follow the state comptroller's reimbursement rate will be add to the non-policy procedure. Trustee Binion motioned that the district will mirror the state comptroller's mileage reimbursement rate, was seconded by Trustee Knox. Motion approved.

IX. EXECUTIVE SESSION – Student Matters

Executive Session – Section 74-206(1)(b) – To consider the evaluation of public-school student.

Chairman Abrego called for a motion for the purpose of allowing the board to enter into executive session. Trustee Binion motioned to enter into executive session in accordance with Idaho Code to discuss student matters, received a second from Trustee Donahue, the following resolution was presented:

RESOLUTION TO ADJOURN INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION

BE IT SO RESOLVED That the Board of Trustees of School District No. 193 recess from an open meeting into the following executive session(s) pursuant to Idaho Code, Title 74, Chapter 2, 74-206(1)(b) – To consider the evaluation, dismissal or disciplining of, or to hear complaints or charges brought against, public-school students, Idaho Code

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED That following the executive session, the Board of Trustees will convene into public session for further business or adjournment of the meeting.

Chairman Abrego called upon Clerk Whitman to do a roll call vote. Vote being had on the above and foregoing resolution, and the same having been counted and found to be as follows:

NAME OF TRUSTEES

Trustee Knox	Aye
Trustee Monasterio	Aye
Trustee Binion	Aye
Trustee Donahue.....	Aye
Chairman Abrego.....	Aye

And no less than two-thirds (2/3) of the membership in favor thereof, the Chairman declared said resolution adopted and the board recessed into executive session at 8:11 p.m.

ACTION ITEM(S):

A. Hearing for Possible Expulsion – Student A

Others present: The attending board members, Superintendent Gilbert, Clerk Whitman, Principal Gunderson, Assistant Principal Ward, (Names on File).

Following a full and complete discussion of a student matter, the Board reconvened into open session at 8:45 p.m. No motion needed.

The board reconvened the executive session at 8:45 p.m., to hold another hearing for possible student expulsion.

B. Hearing for Possible Expulsion – Student B

Others present: The attending board members, Superintendent Gilbert, Clerk Whitman, Principal Gunderson, Assistant Principal Ward, (Names on File).

Following a full and complete discussion of a student matter, the Board reconvened into open session at 9:15 p.m. No motion needed.

X. ADJOURNMENT – All business of the Board having been completed, Chairman Abrego called for a motion to adjourn. A motion from Trustee Binion to adjourn was seconded by Trustee Knox. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 9:20 p.m.

ATTACHMENT**APPOINTMENTS**

Cameron, Jessica; Kindergarten Teacher, West Elementary
Corbus, Linda; Cook 2, North Elementary
Gaffield, Christina; Media Lab Facilitator, SES
Jewett, Brooke; Title I Paraeducator, East School
Monday, Crystal; Special Education TEAM Paraeducator, HMS
Yagues, Tyler; 7th Grade "A" Boys Basketball Coach, MHJH

RESIGNATIONS

Alderman, Brenda; TEAM Paraeducator, MHJH; effective: January 14, 2020
Dodge, Charity, Cook 2, North Elementary; effective: January 15, 2020
Jurewicz, Shelley; Kindergarten Teacher, West School; effective: December 23, 2019
Kimmel, Jennifer; Media Lab Facilitator, SES; effective: December 20, 2019
Whitaker, George; 8th Grade "A" Boys Basketball Coach, MHJH; effective: January 7, 2020

RETIREMENTS

Petti, John; Speech/Debate Teacher & Speech Debate Coach, MHHS; effective: May 22, 2020

JOB ABANDONMENT

Skaggs, Amanda; Special Education Teacher; MHHS; December 13, 2019

Chairman Abrego

Clerk Whitman