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Budget and Program Committee

May Butler Center

55 S. Rodney – Helena MT. 59601

Friday May 10, 2019 – 12:00 p.m.

AGENDA

- I. Call to Order
- II. General Public Comment:
This is the time for comment on public matters that are not on the agenda. Public matters do not include any pending legal matters, private personnel issues or private student issues. Please do not attempt to address such issues at this time or you will be ruled out of order.
- III. Review of Agenda
- IV. Review of Minutes
3-6-19 Budget and Program Committee Meeting Minutes (See Attached)
- V. Discussion
Multi-Year Feedback to Date (T. Ream)
Ongoing Budget Considerations
- VI. Board Comments
- VII. Adjournment
Next Meeting – Friday, June 7, 2019

Helena Public Schools Board of Trustees

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Budget and Program Committee Meeting

May Butler Center
55 South Rodney

Wednesday March 6, 2019
12:00 p.m.

MINUTES

Committee

Tyler Emmert, Trustee
Jeff Hindoien, Trustee
Libby Goldes, Trustee

Others

Terry Beaver, Trustee
Tyler Ream, Superintendent
Josh McKay, Assistant Superintendent
Janelle Mickelson, Business Services Administrator
Stacy Collette, HR Director
Jilyn Chandler, Assessment and Data Administrator
Todd Watkins, Consultant
Margaret Bentwood, Parent

I. CALL TO ORDER

Trustee Tyler Emmert called the meeting to order at 12:04 p.m.

II. GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT

No Comment

III. REVIEW OF AGENDA

No Changes.

IV. REVIEW OF MINUTES

No Changes.

V. DISCUSSION

Todd Watkins, Consultant, started the discussion with a short re-cap from the last meeting, “Since that time, I have pulled together the rest of the employees that have their own salary schedule, benefits etc...we have tried to project what the general budget will look like over the next five years...” Janelle Mickelson stated, “I used the states model that have inflationary increases in it...based off of what I am seeing in Helena, we aren’t seeing the growth, except maybe in the Elementary...I am using maximum budget...it’s really hard to say what the highest budget with or without the vote...maximum is not the highest budget...”. Todd stated, “There’s a ton of information behind this information, but I like to stay to one page...”. Todd went over salary schedules that projected wage increases for teachers, independents, custodial, paras, admin, etc.

VI. SUPERINTENDENT REPORT

None.

VII. BOARD COMMENT

Trustee Terry Beaver commented, “There are huge decisions to be made and I base my decisions on three major things; educationally sound, fiscal responsible, and socially acceptable...I think where we are going to run into problems is socially acceptable...it will require a lot of collaboration and understanding...it will need to come from our HEA rep...”. Trustee Sarah Sullivan commented, “It has to be from the board down...it has to be the board directing the Superintendent...”.

VIII. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 1:12 p.m.