

The Helena Public Schools educate, engage, and empower each student to maximize his or her individual potential with the knowledge, skills and character essential to being a responsible citizen and life-long learner.

Board of Trustees – Executive Committee Meeting

Tuesday, September 14th, 2021 11:00 a.m.

MINUTES

ATTENDEES

Committee Others

Luke Muszkiewicz, Chair Rex Weltz, Superintendent

Siobhan Hathhorn, Vice Chair Josh McKay, Assistant Superintendent

Jennifer McKee, Committee Member Brian Cummings, Assistant Superintendent

> Stacy Collette, Human Resources Administrator Janelle Mickelson, Business Office Administrator

Barb Ridgway, Chief of Staff

Gary Myers, Director of Educational Technology

Tim McMahon, Activities Director

Jane Shawn-HEA President

I. **CALL TO ORDER**

Board Chair, Luke Muszkiewicz, called the meeting to order at 11:00 a.m.

REVIEW OF AGENDA II.

No changes were requested to the executive committee meeting agenda.

III. **GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT**

No public comment was offered.

REVIEW OF MINUTES IV.

Minutes from the 08.10.21 Executive Committee meeting were reviewed and approved.

V. **REVIEW OF 9.14.21 BOARD MEETING AGENDA**

The committee reviewed the agenda for the 9.14.21 board meeting.

The committee discussed that under new business the trustees would be hearing a first reading on six policies. Policy 2016-Human Sexuality Instruction is a new policy which the district is implementing in response to changes to Montana law made by Senate Bill 99 which was passed by the legislator and signed by the governor. The committee is amending Policy 3000-Equal Education Opportunities in response to Senate Bill 157 and HB 702. The other four policies are policies that were reviewed as a matter of routine in the policy committee and are being brought forward to the full board. The committee is not taking action on these policies and not taking public comment on these policies. If trustees have questions or want to give input to the policy committee, they can do so. Policy committee will then revisit these policies at their October meeting and then likely send them forward for full board approval and a second reading at the October regular meeting.

The committee discussed that during consent action items the personnel actions include Board Chair Luke Muszkiewicz's daughter who has been hired in the district. Per board policy and Montana law, Board Chair Muszkiewicz will abstain from that vote.

The committee discussed that under items for action there are five different policies that are receiving their second reading at the board. The board will review each policy individually at the board meeting. If there is a motion to approve, then the board will consider public comment, and then action will be taken on each item.

VI. **BOARD COMMENTS**

No board comments were offered.

VII. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 11:19 a.m.