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Board of Trustees Executive Committee Meeting

Tuesday, January 10th, 2023 – 11:00 a.m.
Lincoln Conference Room and Microsoft Teams

Members of the public are able to attend remotely by clicking here:

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We ask that all participants mute their microphone until called upon by the Board Chair for general and/or specific public comments. Upon completing public comment, please ensure that your microphone is again muted.

AGENDA

- I. CALL TO ORDER /INTRODUCTIONS
 - II. REVIEW OF AGENDA
 - III. **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. The Board cannot enter into a discussion during General Public Comment.*
 - IV. APPROVAL OF MINUTES
 - A. Review of 12.13.22 Executive Committee Meeting Minutes
 - V. REVIEW OF 01.10.23 BOARD MEETING AGENDA
 - VI. UPCOMING MEETINGS
 - VII. BOARD COMMENTS
 - VIII. ADJOURNMENT
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Board of Trustees
Executive Committee Meeting
Tuesday, December 13th, 2022
Lincoln Campus and via Microsoft Teams
11:00 a.m.

MINUTES

ATTENDEES

Committee Others

Jennifer McKee, Board Vice Chair

Keri Mizell, Human Resources Director
Barb Ridgway, Chief of Staff
Janelle Mickelson, Business Manager
Brian Cummings, Assistant Superintendent K-5
Josh McKay, Assistant Superintendent 6-12
Lona Carter, School Health Grant Facilitator
Gary Myers, Director of Technology
Joslyn Davidson, Curriculum Administrator
Erika McMillin, Social Services Coordinator
Candice Delvaux, Executive Assistant
Karen Ogden, Communications Specialist

I. CALL TO ORDER

Board Vice Chair Jennifer McKee called the meeting to order at 11:03 a.m.

II. REVIEW OF AGENDA

No changes were requested to the Executive Committee Meeting Agenda.

III. GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT

There was no general public comment.

IV. REVIEW OF MINUTES

Minutes from the 11.08.22 Executive Committee meeting were reviewed and approved.

V. REVIEW OF THE 12.13.22 BOARD MEETING AGENDA

The committee reviewed the agenda for the 12.13.22 full Board meeting. Board Vice Chair Jennifer McKee commented. "We will meet here tonight beginning at 5:30 p.m. at the Lincoln Center. People can attend in person or online via TEAMS. The address and remote log-in information is all on the website. We will call things to order, say the Pledge of Allegiance, and review the agenda."

After reviewing the agenda, the trustees will look to Assistant Superintendent Brian Cummings and Assistant Superintendent Josh McKay to give the Superintendent Report because Superintendent Rex Weltz will not be in attendance at the board meeting. After the superintendent's report there will be general public comment followed by new business-items for information. There will be two items for information which will be: *Policy 1015 Vision, Mission, Guiding Principles* and *Policy 7009 Lease Capitalization Threshold*. The policies will be presented by Mrs. Barb Ridgway, Chief of Staff, and Mrs. Janelle Mickelson, Business Manager, will be available to answer any questions regarding Policy 7009 Lease Capitalization Threshold.

The trustees will move on to consent action items followed by four items for action. The first item for action will be the *C.R. Anderson Reroofing Bid* and that will be presented by Facilities and Maintenance Director Todd Verrill. Mrs. Barb Ridgway will present the next three items for action which will be: *Policy 4000 Public Relations, Authorizations of Trustees to Advocate for MTSBA's Legislative Platform in the 2023 Legislature, and Authorization of Superintendent and/or Authorized Designees to Advocate in the 2023 Legislature*.

The trustees will conclude the board meeting by hearing reports, and discussing upcoming meetings followed by adjournment.

VI. BOARD COMMENTS

There were no additional board comments.

VII. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 11:12 a.m.



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Lincoln Center | 1325 Poplar St. | Helena MT. 59601

Tuesday, January 10th, 2022 - 5:30 p.m.

Lincoln Board of Trustees Conference Room and
via TEAMS

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AGENDA

I. **CALL TO ORDER /PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

II. **REVIEW OF AGENDA**

III. **RECOGNITIONS**

A. **2023 NAFME All-Northwest Honor Ensemble**

Congratulations to the following Capital High and Helena High students who were selected to the 2023 National Association for Music Education All-Northwest Honor Ensemble. These students were selected from over 3,000 applicants as the best musicians from Alaska, Idaho, Montana, Oregon, Washington, and Wyoming. Special thanks to the CHS and HHS Orchestra educator Mr. Zach Harris for all that he does for students.

Capital High School

Hollis Elliott-Sophomore-Cello

Maren Elliott-Senior-Violin

Charlie Snellman-Sophomore-Cello

Helena High School

Aine Cleary-Junior-Cello

B. 2022 Special Olympics Montana State Basketball Champions

Congratulations to the Helena Tornados Special Olympics Basketball Team on winning the 2022 Special Olympics Montana State Basketball Championship. Special thanks to the Special Olympics Local Coordinator Tamara Todd and Coach Kathie Roos for all that they do for these amazing athletes.

Capital High School Athletes

Ethan Martin
Ayden Tomlin
Braedon Beasley
Jada Clarkson (Unified Partner)
Brandon Soule (Unified Partner)
Alexis Levenson (Unified Partner)

Helena High School Athlete

Ben Swift

East Helena High School Athletes

Taryn Vaughan
Landon King

C.R. Anderson Middle School Athlete

Nolan Amsk (Unified Partner)

C. 2022 AA State Football Champions

Congratulations to the CHS 2022 AA State Football Champions who were undefeated this season. Special thanks to the Capital High School Head Coach Kyle Mihelish, Assistants-Lee Carter, Dick McMahon, Reid Christensen, Jeff Mahana, Coby Furlong, Jared Hunt, Jim Hogan, Mathew Reyant, Frosh Coaches-Levi Dawes, Tom Quinn, Shannon Blixt, Eric Buehler, Chad Opitz, Ryan Richards, Athletic Trainer Shawn Ruff, and Managers-Ellery Windecker, Alina O'Conner, Abby Yeske, Alice Dormady, and Delaney Stewart. We are so incredibly proud of these amazing athletes who worked so hard this season. Please see the attached list which includes the names of all the incredible athletes.

D. Gatorade Montana Football Player of the Year

Congratulations to Bruins defensive lineman Talon Marsh who was selected as the Gatorade Montana Football Player of the Year. The Gatorade Player of the Year program annually recognizes one winner in the District of Columbia and each of the 50 states that sanction high school football, girls volleyball, boys and girls cross country, boys and girls basketball, boys and girls soccer, baseball, softball, and boys and girls track & field. The honorees are chosen by the

Gatorade Player of the Year Selection Committee, which leverages coaches, scouts, media, and other experts to help evaluate the candidates in each sport. In addition to performance on the field, the award recognizes academic achievement and exemplary character demonstrated on and off the field. As a state Player of the Year, Talon will receive a grant to give to one of Gatorade’s social impact partners through the brand’s “Play if Forward” initiative. Talon is also a finalist for the prestigious “Gatorade National Football Player of the Year” award, to be announced in January. Congratulations Talon!!

E. Claes Nobel Educator of Distinction Award

Congratulations to Capital High Educator Adam Clinch who has received the Claes Nobel Educator of Distinction Award by the National Society of High School Scholars (NSHSS). Mr. Clinch was nominated by a former student, Ethan Hull. NSHSS is a worldwide organization dedicated to supporting the leaders of tomorrow by providing students with the resources and network to excel in college, in their careers, and throughout the community. Ethan Hull is a member of NSHSS and nominated Mr. Clinch for this prestigious award.

F. Montana Music Educator Association’s 2022 Outstanding School Administrator

Congratulations to Central Elementary Principal Nick Radley, who is the Montana Music Educator Association’s 2022 Outstanding School Administrator. The award recognizes administrators who demonstrate a commitment to music education in their district.

IV. PRESENTATION

- A. Robotics Team Fusion 4133

V. SUPERINTENDENT’S REPORT

VI. GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT

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VII. NEW BUSINESS

A. Items For Information

1. Policy 5040 Personnel Records
2. Policy 7060 School Safety

B. Consent Action Items

1. Personnel Actions
2. Warrants
3. Out-Of-District Attendance Agreements (Non-Resident Students Attending HPS)
4. Out-Of-District Attendance Agreements (Helena Students Attending Other Districts)
5. 12.08.22 Special Board Meeting Open Session Minutes
6. 12.08.22 Special Board Meeting Closed Session Minutes
7. 12.13.22 Full Board Meeting Minutes

C. Items for Action

1. Policy 1015 Vision, Mission and Guiding Principles
2. Policy 7009 Lease Capitalization Threshold

D. Reports

1. Student Representatives Report
2. Helena Education Association Report
3. Facilities & Maintenance Committee Report
4. Budget & Finance Committee Report
5. Policy Committee Report
6. Teaching & Learning Committee Report
7. Health Benefits Committee Report
8. Wellness Committee Report
9. Montana School Boards Association Report

VIII. UPCOMING MEETINGS

IX. BOARD COMMENTS

X. ADJOURNMENT