

PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES
SD #58 YELLOWSTONE COUNTY
BILLINGS, MT 59106

December 17th, 2025

Chair John Boeder called a regular Board of Trustees meeting to order at 12:04p.m. on December 17, 2025. The meeting was held in the Board conference room and via Teams.

PRESENT: John Boeder and Jerry Nash were present. Trustee Eric Spelhaug arrived via Teams at 12:20PM. Superintendent Keith Tresch, Dwight Von Schrittz, Cass Cole and Business Manager/Clerk Laurie Hickethier were present.

GUESTS: There were no guests present.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited by all in attendance.

**HEARING OF
INDIVIDUALS/
CORRESPONDENCE**

None

APPROVE ADDITION

None

NEW BUSINESS

Items for Action

Approve Minutes for November 19, 2025

A motion was made by John Boeder, seconded by Jerry Nash to approve the minutes of November 19, 2025. Motion passed unanimously.

Approve Bills for November 2025

A motion was made by John Boeder, seconded by Jerry Nash to approve the bills for November 2025. Motion passed unanimously.

Yellowstone County Election Agreement

A motion was made by John Boeder, seconded by Jerry Nash to approve the Yellowstone county Election Agreement from February 15, 2026, through May 31, 2026. Motion passed unanimously.

Approve FP14 – Student Attendance Agreement -YA Student to EG – K.C.

A motion was made by John Boeder, seconded by Jerry Nash to approve the FP14 Student Attendance Agreement of a YA Student to EG. Motion passed unanimously.

Approve New Hires

Supt. Tresch presented the following new hires to the board:

1. Taylor Tucket (Gertsch) – Therapist

John Boeder motioned to approve the above new hires. Second to the motion was Jerry Nash. Motion passed unanimously.

Approve Resignations

Supt. Tresch stated there are no resignations for December 2025.

PEAK (Pathways to elevate Attendance and Knowledge) – Montana Safe Schools Center MOU

Supt. Tresch stated PEAK contacted him asking for YA to allow PEAK to run a Focus Group at YA. The Focus Group centers on school attendance. Determining factors to school attendance such as voluntary attendance, emotional and cultural barriers and school culture.

John Boeder motioned to approve the MOU with PEAK. Second to the motion was Jerry Nash. Motion passed unanimously.

MTSBA Policy Updates

The following policies and recommendations from Supt. Tresch were presented to the Board:

1. Notice Form 3600 – Student Records – Notification to Parents and Students of Rights Concerning a Students’ School Records: Recommended Update
2. Policy 3600 Student Records – and Procedure 3600P1: Recommended Update
3. Policy 1401 – Records Available to Public: Recommended Update (Lawyers wanted this update as well)
4. Policy 2161 – Special Education and Procedure P1 2161: Recommend TABLE and Review

5. Policy 2335 – Health Enhancement Curriculum and Related Issues: Recommend Update with Option 3 Selected for districts that intend to provide neither human sexuality instruction or identity instruction as defined in law and in this policy.
6. NEW Policy 2600 – Work Based Learning: Recommend Deny – Does not apply to YA.
7. NEW Policy 3100 – Entrance, Placement, and Transfer: Recommend Deny – Doesn't make sense for YA.
8. NEW Policy 3150 – Part-Time Enrollment: Recommend Deny – Doesn't make sense for YA.
9. NEW Policy 3665 – Student Safety: Recommend Adopt
10. Policy 4550 – Registered Sex Offenders: Recommend Update
11. Policy 5015 – Bullying – Harassment – Intimidation: Recommend Update
12. Policy 5122 fingerprints and Criminal Background Investigations: Recommend Update
13. Policy 5321 – Leaves of Absences and Procedure P1 5321 – Recommend TABLE and Review with lawyers, need clarification.
14. NEW Procedure 2158 P1 – Parent and Family Engagement and Educational Involvement – Student Pronoun Use: Recommend Update
15. Procedure 5334 P1 – Vacations: Recommend TABLE and Review with lawyers, need clarification.

John Boeder motioned to approve the recommendations from Supt. Tresch from above. Second to the motion was Jerry Nash. Motion passed unanimously.

Superintendent Report

Supt. Tresch reported on the following:

- 1) Negotiations – Will reach out to Para Union next week
- 2) Staff Holiday Lunch – Tuesday 12:30 or 1PM
- 3) Presentation of the Cognia Review PowerPoint presentation. The Cognia Review is complete and hope to have the results to the board by February 2026.

Adjournment:

There being no further business to come before the Board at this time, Chair John Boeder called to adjourn. This meeting adjourned at 12:50 p.m. Next meeting is the scheduled for Wednesday, January 21, 2026, at 12:00 p.m.

John Boeder, Board Chair

Laurie Hicketier, Clerk