



## Welcome and Introduction

1. **Call to Order:** chairman Fred Anderson called meeting to order 1:01 pm
2. **Roll Call**
  - Fred Anderson – Chair - present
  - Kelly Haverlandt – *Vice Chair* - present
  - Cammie Knapp – present
  - Jay Phalen – present
  - Eric Myers – present
  - Ashley Olson – present
  - Hannah Nieskens – present
  - Eric Matthews – present
  - Nancy Stiffarm - present after Item 9
  - Abby Moscatel - present
3. **Statement of Public Participation** - Fred Anderson
4. **Adoption of Agenda**
  - Motion:** Eric Matthews moved to adopt the agenda
  - Second:** Cammie Knapp
  - Vote:** YES 9 – NO 0
5. **Review of ARM 10.55.604 Variances to Standards Process and ARM 10.55.608 Charter School Applications** - Ellery Bresler
6. **Welcome of New Members and Member Terms** - Ellery Bressler
7. **Approval of October 27, 2023, Meeting Minutes**
  - Motion:** Eric Matthews moved to approve the minutes
  - Second:** Hannah Nieskens
  - Vote:** YES 9 – NO 0
8. **Application 1 - Corvallis K-12 Schools – Quentin Brown Primary K-4 (SC: 1557),**



**Corvallis High School (SC: 0964), Edna Thomas School (SC: 0963) – TENTATIVE, Corvallis 7-8 (SC: 1558) – TENTATIVE**

10.55.710 – School Counselor FTE

This application is an Initial Request for two years.

**Public Comment:** Ellery Bresler and Pete Joseph, the superintendent of Corvallis, presented the application.

**Board Discussion/Comment:** Board discussion of application

**Motion:** Eric Matthews moved to approve the variance

**Second:** Ashley Olson seconded the motion

**Vote:** YES 9 – NO 0

**9. Application 2 - Corvallis K-12 Schools – Rise Charter & Distance EL (SC: 3010), Rise Charter & Distance 7-8 (SC: 3014), Rise Charter & Distance HS (SC:3012)**

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This application is an Initial Request for two years.

**Public Comment:** Ellery Bresler and Pete Joseph, the superintendent of Corvallis, presented the application.

**Board Discussion/Comment:** Board discussion of application

**Motion:** Ashley Olson moved to approve the variance

**Second:** Hannah Nieskens seconded the motion

**Vote:** YES 9 – NO 0 Nancy Stiffarm chose to abstain due to just joining the meeting.

**10. Application 3 - East Helena K-12 Schools – 227 Academy High School (SC: 3029), 227 Academy Middle School (SC: 3028)**

10.55.709 - Library Media Specialist FTE

This application is an Initial Request for two years.

**Public Comment:** Ellery Bresler and Lynsi Morris, the administrator for the 227 Academies, presented the application.

**Board Discussion/Comment:** Board discussion of application



**Motion: Cammie Knapp moved to approve the variance**

**Second: Ashley Olson**

**Vote: YES 10 – NO 0**

**11. Application 4 - Frenchtown K-12 Schools – *Bronc Fast Track (SC: 3017)***

10.55.709 - Library Media Specialist FTE

This application is an Initial Request for two years.

**Public Comment:** Ellery Bresler and Les Meyer, the superintendent of Frenchtown, presented the application.

**Board Discussion/Comment:** None

**Motion: Eric Matthew moved to approve the variance**

**Second: Cammie Knapp seconded the motion**

**Vote: YES 10 – NO 0**

**12. Application 5 - LaMotte Elementary – *LaMotte 6-8 (SC: 1825)***

10.55.902 – Basic Education Program: Junior High School, 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Program, or Middle School

This application is an Initial Request for two years.

**Public Comment:** Ellery Bresler and Spencer Johnson, the superintendent of LaMotte, presented the application.

**Board Discussion/Comment:** Board discussion of application

**Motion: Eric Matthews moved to approve the variance**

**Second: Hannah Nieskens**

**Vote: YES 10 – NO 0**

**13. Application 6 - Lockwood Public Schools – *Lockwood High School (SC: 1862)***

10.55.709 - Library Media Specialist FTE

This application is an Initial Request for two years.

**Public Comment:** Ellery and Andrea Meiers, the curriculum director of Lockwood, presented the application.

**Board Discussion/Comment:** None



**Motion: Ashley Olson moved to approve the variance**

**Second: Kelly Haverlandt**

**Vote: YES 10 – NO 0**

**14. Application 7 - Marion Elementary – Marion School (SC: 0455) & Marion 7-8 (SC: 1697)**

10.55.710 – School Counselor FTE

This application is an Initial Request for two years.

**Public Comment:** Ellery Bresler presented the application.

**Board Discussion/Comment:** Board discussion of application

**Motion: Eric Matthes moved to approve the variance**

**Second: Cammie Knapp**

**Vote: YES 10 – NO 0**

**15. Application 8 - Missoula County Public Schools – Missoula Connect Academy MS (SC: 3007) & Missoula Connect Academy HS (SC: 3008)**

10.55.709 - Library Media Specialist FTE

This application is an Initial Request for two years.

**Public Comment:** Ellery Bresler and Kacie Laslovich, Head of Schools for Missoula Connect Academy, presented the application.

**Board Discussion/Comment:** Board discussion of application

**Motion: Ashley Olson moved to approve the variance**

**Second: Kelly Haverlandt**

**Vote: YES 10 – NO 0**

**16. Application 9 - Missoula County Public Schools – Missoula TEACH Academy (SC: 3009)**

10.55.709 - Library Media Specialist FTE

This application is an Initial Request for two years.

**Public Comment:** Ellery Bresler and Barbara Frank, the Academic and Community Services Director of Missoula County Schools, presented the application.

**Board Discussion/Comment: None**



**Motion: Eric Matthews moved to approve the motion**

**Second: Eric Myers**

**Vote: YES 10 – NO 0**

**17. Application 10 - Thompson Falls Public Schools – Thompson Falls Elementary School (SC: 1047) & Thompson Falls 7-8 (SC: 1764)**

10.55.709 - Library Media Specialist FTE

10.55.710 – School Counselor FTE

This application is an Initial Request for two years.

**Public Comment:** Ellery Bresler and Edward Scully, the superintendent of Thompson Falls, presented the application.

**Board Discussion/Comment:** Board discussion of application

**Motion: Kelly Haverlandt moved to approve the variance**

**Second: Cammie Knapp**

**Vote: YES 10 – NO 0**

**18. Application 11 - Three Forks Public Schools – Three Forks 7-8 (SC: 1658) & Three Forks High School (SC: 0483)**

10.55.709 - Library Media Specialist FTE

This application is an Initial Request for two years.

**Public Comment:** Ellery Bresler and Rhonda Uthlaut, the superintendent of Three Forks, presented the application.

**Board Discussion/Comment:** Board discussion of application

**Motion: Hannah moved to approve the variance**

**Second: Kelly Haverlandt**

**Vote: YES 10 – NO 0**

**19. Recommendations to the Superintendent.**

**20. Meeting Adjourned**

**Motion: Eric Matthews moved to adjourn**

**Second: Kelly Haverlandt**

Elsie Arntzen, Superintendent

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**Meeting adjourned @ 2:11 pm.**

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