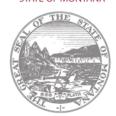
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Welcome and Introduction

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

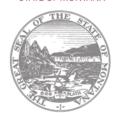
7. Approval of October 27, 2023, Meeting Minutes

Motion: Eric Matthews moved to approve the minutes

Second: Hannah Nieskens Vote: YES 9 - NO 0 PO Box 202501 Helena, MT 59620-2501 406.444.5643 In-State Toll-free: 1.888.231.9393 TTY Users: 406.444.0235 opi.mt.gov

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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 Corvalli,

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)

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 Pete Joseph, the superintendent of Corvalli, 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

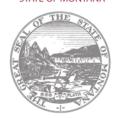
Academies, presented the application.

Board Discussion/Comment: Board discussion of application

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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^{th} and 8^{th} 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,

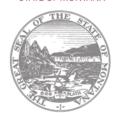
presented the application.

Board Discussion/Comment: None

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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

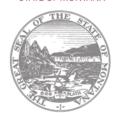
Services Director of Missoula County Schools, presented the application.

Board Discussion/Comment: None

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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

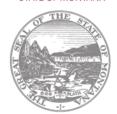
Motion: Eric Matthews moved to adjourn

Second: Kelly Haverlandt

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Meeting adjourned @ 2:11 pm.

