

AGENDA
REGULAR MEETING OF THE TRUSTEES OF JEFFERSON HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT # 1
*** 6:30 p.m. December 13, 2011 ***

Jefferson High School Library

(Board packet available upon request at the Central Office.)

A. Call to order-Chairperson

1. Pledge of Allegiance

B. Consent Agenda Approval of Previous Minutes and High School Claims and Accounts

C. Announcements and Public Comment. THE BOARD WELCOMES AND ENCOURAGES PUBLIC COMMENT. ANYONE WISHING TO ADDRESS THE BOARD IS ENCOURAGED TO DO SO WITH THESE STIPULATIONS:

1. The Board may limit the amount of time for comment if they become extensive.
2. If the speaker begins to infringe on the right to privacy of another, the Board may interrupt and end the comments on that issue.
3. Even if the comments are entirely appropriate, the Board will not take any action on them at this meeting. To insure that others who want to address the same issue have the opportunity to do so, the item may be placed on the agenda of a future meeting.

D. Communication and Comments.

1. Letters to the Board – MT Quality Education Coalition, Boulder Monitor, parent letter
2. Student Report - Student Council
3. Staff Presentations - Ms. Bruce will provide a meal at 5:30 p.m.

E. Committee Reports.

1. Negotiations/Personnel - P. Lewis, S. Senechal, T. Lloyd
2. Policy/Handbook – P. Lewis, S. Steketee, L. Bryant
3. Budget/Insurance/Investments – S. Senechal, K. Jackson, K. Eckmann
4. Building/Grounds/Transportation – K. Jackson, K. Eckmann, T. Lloyd
5. Teaching/Learning – S. Steketee, L. Bryant

F. Unfinished Business

1. Strategic Planning
2. 1 to 1 Computing

G. New Business.

1. Personnel
 - a. Substitute Applications
 - b. Vacancies
 - c. Coaching Vacancies – Head & Asst. Tennis, Golf, Asst. Boys' BBall,
 - d. Teacher evaluation – Non-tenured staff
2. P.A. System
3. Cooperative Agreement for purchase of natural gas

H. Commendations and Recognition

I. Clerk's Report

J. Superintendent's Report
AD Report

K. Follow-up/Adjournment

NEXT HIGH SCHOOL BOARD MEETING: 6:30 P.M. **January 17, 2012** **Jefferson High School.**

BOARD CHAIR-APPROVED AGENDA ITEMS ARE DUE IN THE DISTRICT OFFICE BY THE LAST FRIDAY OF THE MONTH PRIOR TO THE BOARD MEETING.

Board Objectives

Goals submitted by the board members are as follows:

- Foster community spirit.
- Build teacher relationships.
- Increase attendance of board members at teacher meetings.
- Finish meetings before 9:00 p.m.

School Goals:

1. Increase math scores
2. Increase reading scores
3. Design and implement a culture of academic excellence at Jefferson High School.

Seven Correlates of Effective Schools

1. **Instructional Leadership**
Administrative Structure
Best practices
2. **Clear and Focused Mission**
Plan the Work and Work the Plan
Recruiting and staff development strategies
Maximize the potential of each student
Comprehensive individualized student school and career planning
3. **Safe and Orderly Environment**
Buildings and Grounds
Anti-Bullying
4. **Climate of High Expectations**
High Student Activity participation
Every student can and will learn if given the resources
5. **Frequent Monitoring of Student Progress**
Student Performance (in math and in reading)
6. **Positive Community-School Relations**
District Enrollment
Serviced Learning
7. **Opportunity to Learn and Student Time on Task**
Technology (already done)
Bell-to-bell instruction
Monitoring attendance

All board meetings are generally held in the Jefferson High School Library, on the third Tuesday of each month at 6:30 p.m. (Exceptions often occur in May and August to follow legal requirements.)

For updates, call the district office at 225-3740.

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JEFFERSON HIGH SCHOOL
Claim Approval List
For the Accounting Period: 12/11

Over spent expenditure

Claim Warrant	Vendor #/Name	Amount					
Line #	Invoice #/Inv Date/Description	Line Amount	PO #	Fund Org	Acct/Source/ Prog-Func	Obj	Proj
13510	1183 HARLOW'S SCHOOL BUS SERVICE, INC.	9,937.52					
1	12/01/11 4th contract pymnt	12,872.52		210	100-2700	513	
2	12/01/11 lease pymnt	-1,505.00		210	100-2700	513	
3	12/01/11 2nd lease pymnt	-1,430.00		210	100-2700	513	
13511	4097 NORTHLAND FINANCIAL	2,935.00					
1	21 12/01/11 Dec. 11 bus pymnt	1,505.00		210	100-2700	840	
2	21 12/01/11 Dec. 11 2nd bus pymnt	1,430.00		210	100-2700	840	
13656	1711 MT ACTE	405.00					
1	29 10/20/11 4 Conf. Reg.	405.00*	7224	215	451-1000	582	73
13657	3766 MONTANA ACADIA	2,197.27					
1	5258351 11/28/11 altacare	2,197.27*		215	280-1000	330	524
13658	2152 CENTURY LINK	136.58					
1	11/13/11 Nov/Dec 11 charges	136.58		201	100-2400	531	
13659	4326 INTERNATIONAL ACADEMY OF SCIENCE	200.00					
1	458850 11/15/11 licenses	200.00	7275	201	100-1000	680	
	3308 CDW-GOVERNMENT INC.	423.99					
	B095051 11/10/11 chromebook	423.99	7272	228	100-1000	660	
13661	3088 SHI INTERNATIONAL CORP.	291.20					
1	B00451243 11/11/11 vmware/vsphere license	291.20*	7266	228	100-1000	680	
13662	4201 BRUCE, BECKY	160.00					
1	Pathway travel reim.	160.00*		215	100-1000	582	115
13663	1079 GAGNON'S DIGITAL IMAGING	308.74					
1	52978 11/15/11 copies	308.74		201	100-1000	440	
13664	3933 TIGER DIRECT	228.33					
1	F766120301 11/11/11 memory,motherboard	228.33	7271	228	100-1000	615	
13665	3959 AMERICAN EXPRESS	535.88					
1	11/21/11 server and install parts	467.44	7281	228	100-1000	660	
2	11/21/11 server and install parts	68.44		228	100-1000	660	
13666	3959 AMERICAN EXPRESS	56.53					
1	11/20/11 fcs supplies- Costco	45.58	6999	201	999		
	PO Accounting (Org/Prog/Func/Obj/Proj: -390-1000-610-						
2	11/20/11 fcs supplies- Walmart	10.95	6999	201	999		
	PO Accounting (Org/Prog/Func/Obj/Proj: -390-1000-610-						

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13667	1183 HARLOW'S SCHOOL BUS SERVICE, INC.	2,017.94						
1	11/29/11 Athletics	493.89		201	720-3500		582	
2	11/29/11 Activity	1,524.05		201	710-3400		582	
13668	3374 J.W.PEPPER & SON, INC.	273.27						
1	03288677 06/20/11 music selections	118.00	6942	201	999			
	PO Accounting (Org/Prog/Func/Obj/Proj: -100-1000-610-							
2	03296444 10/10/11 music selections	174.99	6942	201	999			
	PO Accounting (Org/Prog/Func/Obj/Proj: -100-1000-610-							
3	03288676 06/20/11 music selections - credit me	-120.00	6942	201	999			
	PO Accounting (Org/Prog/Func/Obj/Proj: -100-1000-610-							
4	03300381 11/21/11 music selections	11.94	6942	201	999			
	PO Accounting (Org/Prog/Func/Obj/Proj: -100-1000-610-							
5	03300373 11/21/11 music selections	88.34	6942	201	999			
	PO Accounting (Org/Prog/Func/Obj/Proj: -100-1000-610-							
13669	1645 VERIZON BUSINESS	126.27						
1	05473881 11/25/11 Nov. 11 Service	126.27		201	100-2400		531	
13670	4234 WELLS FARGO FINANCIAL LEASING	168.75						
1	6765664870 11/18/11 front office copier	168.75		201	100-1000		840	
	4196 DEEP SURPLUS	134.66						
1	94838 11/21/11 computer cable	134.66*	7282	228	100-1000		610	
13672	3959 AMERICAN EXPRESS	27.49						
1	12/01/11 2.1mm solderless jack	22.14*	7290	228	100-1000		610	
2	12/01/11 2.1mm solderless jack	5.35*		228	100-1000		610	
13673	3959 AMERICAN EXPRESS	15.35						
1	11/16/11 male power jacks	15.35*	7289	228	100-1000		610	
13674	3766 MONTANA ACADIA	2,392.60						
1	5204445 10/25/11 altacare	2,392.60*		215	280-1000		330 524	
13675	4064 MOUNTAIN CONTROLS, INC.	950.00						
1	100066 11/03/11 control board troubleshooting	950.00		201	100-2600		440	
13676	3959 AMERICAN EXPRESS	139.99						
1	11/30/11 intel network adapter	139.99	7287	228	100-1000		615	
13677	4404 BOULDER ADMINISTRATION SERVICE	40.00						
1	12/01/11 Dec. 11 admin fees	40.00		201	100-1000		260	

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13678		3766 MONTANA ACADIA	3,287.78						
1		5280721 11/30/11 altacare	3,287.78*		215	280-1000	330	524	
13679		3481 MT DOJ CRIMINAL RECORDS	29.25						
1		27016 11/18/11 burton prints	29.25	7280	201	100-2300	610		
13680		4566 BASIN CREEK POTTERY & GALLERY	759.17						
1		12/03/11 kiln repair	759.17		201	100-1000	440		
13681		4297 COMDATA	3,484.44						
1		20149139 12/01/11 route	2,664.38		210	100-2700	624		
2		20149139 12/01/11 athletic	172.28		201	720-3500	582		
3		20149139 12/01/11 activity	531.61		201	710-3400	582		
4		20149139 12/01/11 custodial	34.41		201	100-2600	624		
5		20149139 12/01/11 drivers ed	44.18*		218	100-1000	624		
6		20149139 12/01/11 admin	37.58*		201	100-2300	582		
13682		157 ACE HARDWARE	843.01						
1		45531 11/17/11 science/science olympiad	9.73	6991	201	999			
2	PO Accounting	(Org/Prog/Func/Obj/Proj: -100-1000-610- various 11/01/11 Ref PO# 23252 Maint.	833.28		201	100-2600	615		
1		3766 MONTANA ACADIA	1,432.30						
1		5289098 12/06/11 altacare	1,432.30*		215	280-1000	330	524	
13684		1737 NORTHWESTERN ENERGY	7,809.87						
1		780987 12/01/11 Nov. 11 electric	3,431.79		201	100-2600	412		
2		780987 12/01/11 Nov. 11 gas	4,378.08		201	100-2600	411		
13685		1650 MEADOW GOLD DAIRY	138.46						
1		60209513 11/03/11 milk	12.43		201	910-3100	630		
2		60209539 11/07/11 milk	36.76		201	910-3100	630		
3		60209593 11/14/11 milk	24.86		201	910-3100	630		
4		60209619 11/17/11 milk	25.73		201	910-3100	630		
5		60209648 11/21/11 milk	36.76		201	910-3100	630		
6		60209697 11/28/11 milk	1.92		201	910-3100	630		
13686		3933 TIGER DIRECT	121.53						
1		F799177201 11/30/11 Hitachi Mobile/Hard Drive	119.92	7286	228	100-1000	615		
2		F799177201 11/30/11 Hitachi Mobile/Hard Drive	1.61		228	100-1000	615		
13687		1086 GIULIO DISPOSAL SERVICES, INC.	141.00						
1		67984 11/30/11 Nov. 11 service	141.00		201	100-2600	431		

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13688	3547 MOODIE IMPLEMENT COMPANY	502.47						
1	48812 12/01/11 BRUSH KIT FOR JOHN DEERE	462.80	7283	201	100-2600	660		
2	48812 12/01/11 BRUSH KIT FOR JOHN DEERE	39.67		201	100-2600	660		
13689	1377 JOHNSON CONTROLS	684.16						
1	1-42699288 11/28/11 toggle switch/pneumatic t	684.16		201	100-2600	440		
13690	2793 AMERICAN WELDING & GAS, INC.	116.40						
1	01506551 11/04/11 welding supplies/gas	87.03	7121	201	999			
	PO Accounting (Org/Prog/Func/Obj/Proj: -390-1000-610-							
2	01527838 11/30/11 welding supplies/gas	29.37	7121	201	999			
	PO Accounting (Org/Prog/Func/Obj/Proj: -390-1000-610-							
13691	3488 ALLEN, MATT	142.08						
1	11/29/11 Pathway travel reim.	142.08*		215	100-1000	582	115	
13692	1250 INDEPENDENT RECORD	208.00						
1	1120000488 11/15/11 annual subscription	208.00*		201	100-2220	540		
13693	3194 MT DEPT OF LABOR & INDUSTRY	31.00						
1	11/02/11 boiler cert.	31.00		201	100-2600	440		
	3211 BUSINESS PRO OF AMERICA	160.00						
1	S122043 11/21/11 membership	160.00*	7294	215	396-1000	582	77	
13695	1721 MT COUNCIL ON ECONOMIC EDUCATION	75.00						
1	3433 10/18/11 stock market game fee	75.00*	7295	215	396-1000	810	77	
13696	2717 CITY OF BOULDER	1,603.55						
1	12/06/11 Dec. 11 water/sewer	1,603.55		201	100-2600	421		
13697	1451 L & P GROCERY	220.95						
1	1377951101 11/01/11 fcs supplies	38.06	6998	201	999			
	PO Accounting (Org/Prog/Func/Obj/Proj: -390-1000-610-							
2	2259961103 11/03/11 fcs supplies	16.78	6998	201	999			
	PO Accounting (Org/Prog/Func/Obj/Proj: -390-1000-610-							
3	1410271116 11/16/11 fcs supplies	84.32	6998	201	999			
	PO Accounting (Org/Prog/Func/Obj/Proj: -390-1000-610-							
4	1614981121 11/21/11 fcs supplies	16.46	6998	201	999			
	PO Accounting (Org/Prog/Func/Obj/Proj: -390-1000-610-							
5	1465071128 11/28/11 fcs supplies	65.33	6998	201	999			
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13698		3959 AMERICAN EXPRESS		110.57					
1		1341344530 12/07/11 fcs supplies		110.57	6999	201	999		
		PO Accounting (Org/Prog/Func/Obj/Proj: -390-1000-610-							
13699		5000 COSTCO		11.99					
1		1341344480 12/07/11 stamps		4.76	7179	201	100-2400		532
2		1341344480 12/07/11 batteries		7.23		201	100-1000		610
13700		4081 GAGGLE		400.00					
1		23177 12/08/11 email archiving		400.00*		228	100-1000		680
13701		3374 J.W.PEPPER & SON, INC.		58.93					
1		3301294 12/06/11 music selections		58.93	6942	201	999		
		PO Accounting (Org/Prog/Func/Obj/Proj: -100-1000-610-							
13702		4376 WHEALON, JAMES		438.65					
1		12/12/11 Superintendent travel		438.65*		201	100-2300		582
		Total:		46,912.92					
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JEFFERSON HIGH SCHOOL
Fund Summary for Claims
For the Accounting Period: 12/11

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Fund/Account	Amount
201 HIGH SCHOOL GENERAL FUND	
101	\$18,761.39
210 HIGH SCHOOL TRANSPORTATION FUN	
101	\$15,536.90
215 HIGH SCHOOL MISC PROGRAMS FUND	
101	\$10,252.03
218 HIGH SCHOOL TRAFFIC EDUCATION	
101	\$44.18
228 TECHNOLOGY FUND	
101	\$2,318.42
Total:	\$46,912.92

Jefferson High School District #1

PO Box 838

312 South Main Street

Boulder, MT 59632

1:1 Computing Initiative

Prepared by Brett Lutkehus

Revised: _____

Approved by Board of Trustees: _____

Revised: _____

Revised: _____

Revised: _____

Estimated Costs:

Option 1: Full school roll-out by start of 2012-2013 school year

- Wireless network implementation \$20000
- Staff devices \$17500
- Student devices \$120000
- Protective sleeve/Carrying case \$4700
- Staff training \$10000-\$20000 depending on pay rate
- Increase IT staff to 1.0-1.5 FTE \$28000-\$58000

Year 1 Total: \$200200-240200

- Cost of sustaining project at year 5(new hardware) \$143000

Option 2: Staff and Freshman class roll-out start of 2012-2013 school year, with freshman class roll-out every year after

- Wireless network implementation \$20000
- Staff devices \$17500
- Student devices \$30000
- Protective sleeve/Carrying case \$1200
- Staff training \$10000-\$20000 depending on pay rate
- Increase IT staff to 1.0-1.5 FTE \$28000-\$58000

Year 1 Total: \$106700-\$146700

- Cost of sustaining project yearly (new hardware) \$32000
- Cost of sustaining project year 5(staff hardware) \$18000

Option 3: Staff and Junior/Senior class roll-out start of 2012-2013 school year, with Freshman roll-out every year after

- Wireless network implementation \$20000
- Staff devices \$17500
- Student devices \$60000
- Protective sleeve/Carrying case \$2400
- Staff training \$10000-\$20000 depending on pay rate
- Increase IT staff to 1.0-1.5 FTE \$28000-\$58000

Year 1 Total: \$137900-\$177900

- Cost of sustaining project yearly (new hardware) \$32000
- Cost of sustaining project year 5(staff hardware) \$18000



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December 2, 2011

Superintendent Jim Whealon and
Jefferson High School Board of Trustees
PO Box 176
Boulder, MT 59632

Dear Supt. Whealon and Trustees:

At last night's school board meeting some very serious allegations were lodged. Superintendent Whealon said more than once there was the "appearance that the board or some members of the board have a dog in this fight." He also indicated that there were concerning exchanges of emails, warning, "All these emails are subpeonable."

Individual trustees denied any impropriety.

I am sure you agree the public has a right to know whether there have been any improper actions by school board members or the superintendent in the investigation that was the subject of last night's board meeting. Since there appears to be some disagreement about this matter, the best source to clear up that question may be the email messages themselves.

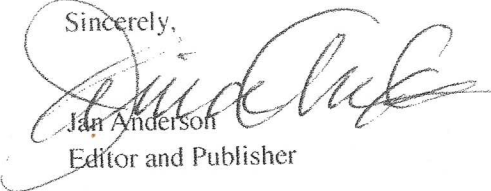
Emails sent or received by a public agency are public records in Montana. (See §2-6-101 MCA.) That statute also clearly states public records of private writings, including emails, are public writings subject to release as are other public records. In addition, Article II, Section 9 of the Montana Constitution gives every Montana citizen the right to examine public documents.

Emails are subject to the same disposal laws as other public records and penalties exist for destruction of public records.

In the interest of addressing issues raised at last night's meeting, the *Boulder Monitor* is hereby requesting copies of any emails in your possession, either written by you or received by you, dealing in any way with the allegations subject to the current investigation. Those emails may be sent electronically to janderson@jeffersoncountycourier.com.

Thank you for meeting this request immediately.

Sincerely,


Jan Anderson
Editor and Publisher



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QUALITY EDUCATION
COALITION**

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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE
November 18, 2011

Montana Quality Education Coalition Files Suit in Lewis and Clark County to Pursue Court Enforcement of Inflation Guarantee in Law – Intends to Ensure Funding to Support Public Education Throughout Montana

The Montana Quality Education Coalition (MQEC) filed suit in District Court in Lewis and Clark County on Friday, November 18 to pursue court enforcement of the guarantee of inflation for state funding of Montana's public schools. The action is designed to help clear up a contradiction between the level of funding authorized by the Montana Legislature through appropriation, which was sufficient to provide an inflationary increase to schools, and contrary language in a separate bill that prevents distribution of the authorized funding.

Mark Lambrecht, MQEC's Executive Director, said "Legal action became necessary at the conclusion of the 2011 Montana Legislative Session when schools failed to receive inflationary funding as required by Montana law." He added, "Both the Legislature and Governor Schweitzer intended to provide inflationary funding for schools, but a contingency clause included in the school funding bill at the end of the Session connected it to a revenue allocation bill that was vetoed. This situation significantly reduced the amount of funding available to Montana's public schools."

Montana law requires the State to provide a funding system that "is self-executing and includes a mechanism for annual inflationary adjustments." MQEC is confident the courts will agree that the funding provided to Montana's K-12 public schools as a result of the 2011 Montana Legislative Session represents a clear violation of Montana law.

MQEC recently commissioned a survey of 500 Montana voters to determine their views about public school funding in Montana and was pleased to learn that a significant majority of respondents ranked K-12 public school funding as the State's number one spending priority and a similar majority support court action to guarantee inflationary funding for schools.

Highlights of the MQEC survey include the following:

- Over 72 percent of the respondents support court action to require the Montana Legislature to provide inflation funding as calculated by the State of Montana.
- Nearly 85 percent of the respondents were concerned that K-12 public education funding passed by the 2011 Montana Legislative Session did not match inflation.
- Over half of the respondents supporting court action indicated they were more supportive knowing that the Legislature appropriated sufficient funds to fund inflation, but the statutory language to distribute the funds was lost because of a contingency clause connecting the school funding bill to an unrelated bill that was vetoed.
- Nearly 65 percent of the respondents who support court action were even more supportive knowing that actual state revenues are coming in almost \$80 million higher than was estimated by the Legislature during the 2011 Session.
- Nearly 65 percent of the respondents supportive of court action indicated they were more supportive knowing that schools will have to cut programs and services (including laying off teachers) if approximately \$8 million in inflationary funding is not restored.
- Nearly 54 percent of the respondents supporting court action were more supportive knowing that failure to provide sufficient increases in state funding for K-12 public schools results in local tax increases.
- Over 68 percent of the respondents believe K-12 public education should be the state government's highest spending priority.

The results of this survey can be reviewed in their entirety at www.mqec.org.

MQEC is an organization comprised of school districts of all sizes throughout the State of Montana and education organizations including the Montana School Boards Association, School Administrators of Montana, the Montana Rural Education Association, the Indian Impact Schools of Montana and the Montana PTA.

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**ADDENDUM TO
JEFFERSON HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT #1
SUPERINTENDENT/PRINCIPAL EMPLOYMENT CONTRACT**

**STATE OF MONTANA
COUNTY OF JEFFERSON**

WHEREAS the **Board of Trustees (the Board) of Jefferson High School District #1 (the District)** and **James Whealon (the Superintendent/Principal)** are parties to a Superintendent/Principal Employment Contract (the Contract) executed on June 16, 2009 for a term of July 1, 2009 to June 30, 2012; and

WHEREAS, the Board and the Superintendent/Principal wish to adjust the annual salary of the Superintendent/Principal for the 2011-2012 year of the contract as provided for in Section 3.2 Salary Adjustments of the Contract; and

WHEREAS, the Board and the Superintendent/Principal have agreed on terms of such adjustment of salary and wish to confirm those terms in writing;

IT IS HEREBY AGREED as follows:

1. **Salary.** For the July 1, 2011 to June 30, 2012 year of the contract, the District will provide the Superintendent/Principal with an annual salary of **\$88,200.00 (eighty-eight thousand two hundred)**. For the defined Principal duties of the position, an additional duty annual salary of **\$4,725.00 (four thousand, seven hundred twenty five)** will be provided to the said employee during the time said duties are performed.
2. **Restatement of Unmodified Terms.** All provisions of the Contract not amended hereby remain in full effect and unmodified. This Addendum is hereby deemed to have been written jointly by the Board and the Superintendent and therefore, ambiguity shall not be construed against any party.
3. **Authority.** The signatories to this Addendum hereby acknowledge and represent that they have all necessary corporate authority to execute this Addendum.

Executed this _____ day of _____ 2011.

ATTEST:

Chair, School District #1: _____

Clerk, School District #1: _____

**Superintendent/Principal
School District #1:** _____

Save your district dollars and time.

Join the grassroots effort to form a multi-district cooperative in southwest Montana.

Last month, eight districts of all sizes in southwest Montana cooperated to seek proposals from Commercial Energy for the purchase of natural gas. Commercial Energy has agreed to sell natural gas to the consortium schools for \$4.07 per dekatherm for one year. That compares favorably to the \$5.16 per dekatherm rate the Northwestern Energy is currently charging.

To fund more efforts like this, SB 329 and HB 2 appropriated a total of \$2 million for the biennium for one-time payments to districts participating in multidistrict cooperatives as of December 31, 2012. Funds will be allocated based on a percentage of each district's FY 2013 BASE budget. The Optimization of Resources and Relationships Task Force, a two-year grassroots effort of trustees and superintendents in southwest Montana, was instrumental in getting this legislation passed.

Let's be a shining example to our legislature of how we can work together. As an innovative cooperative, we will effectively and efficiently meet the full service needs of students in our region. Our regional education service agency will have the ability to leverage each participating district's limited incentive funds. Districts will have increased opportunities in areas such as professional development, technology, bulk supply purchases, board training, health insurance pool, personnel sharing, curriculum development (including common core training) and distance learning.

The Regional Educational Service Agency for Region IV (RESA4U) will manage the cooperative, and Bozeman School District #7 will serve as the fiscal agent. RESA4U was established in 2009 by school districts and regional professional development providers. The MT Office of Public Instruction provides funds for professional development to Region IV through RESA4U. This region serves over 35,000 students in 12 counties (Beaverhead, Broadwater, Deer Lodge, Gallatin, Granite, Jefferson, Lewis & Clark, Madison, Meagher, Park, Powell and Silver Bow) and is one of five regional service areas in the state. Potentially, 25% of the students in Montana will be positively impacted by this cooperative.

RESA4U will "do the work" to secure resources to benefit your district.

By contributing your district's small share of these incentive funds, you will maximize spending power to meet your local needs.

Will you commit?

The deadline for forming the multi-district agreement is April 1, 2012. A stakeholders' meeting will be held on January 5, 2012 [Save the Date] beginning at 6:00 PM in Townsend at the Library Community Room. For further details, please contact Gary Lusin, Board Member, Bozeman School District #7, for details. (406-581-6662 – Phone; bozpt@montana.net – Email)



Gary Lusin, Chair
Optimization of Resources
and Relationships Task Force



Delena Norris-Tull, Board President
Montana Region IV Education Service
Agency (RESA4U)



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Fwd: Comparison reports

1 message

Ron Whitmoyer <RWhitmoyer@ehps.k12.mt.us>
To: jim.whealon@jhs.k12.mt.us

Thu, Nov 10, 2011 at 9:14 AM

Jim,

See what you think of this.

Thanks.

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Children have more need of models than of critics. – Carolyn Coats, author

East Helena Public Schools
Success for All Students

----- Original Message -----

Ron,

Attached please find two reports. The first comparison labeled "Montana Schools Projected" is a forecasted savings for the group in aggregate vs. the utility. The two pricing options shown are what the group savings could be if the market projections play out as projected at the time of pricing the offer presented on Monday.

The second attachment, labeled "Montana Schools Last Year" displays firm numbers. The left hand side of the chart shows what the group paid for services last year through the utility, and the right side shows what the group will pay this coming term with the one year fixed price of \$4.07. The year over year savings from last year with the utility vs. the current contract term with Commercial Energy is \$45,815.14. This is a 23.5% reduction in cost for the schools in aggregate.

The latter of the two attachments is a comparison that, if Monforton School wished to show savings numbers, would be firm certain savings. We know what the utility charged last year and with fixed one year agreements, we know exactly what the budget will look like for the duration of the current agreement with C.E.

Were you able to get a hold of Monforton School regarding the press release Kris called about? I am certain this is not an issue, but we would prefer to read through and edit any material being published with Commercial Energy's name mentioned.

Thank you,

Pete A. Hetherington



Account Manager


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3 attachments

 **Attach0.html**
5K

 **Montana Schools Projected.pdf**
550K

 **Montana Schools Last Year.pdf**
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	7-Jul	8-Jul	9-Jul	10-Jul	11-Jul	12-Jul
Electric	2158.58	2746.9	1190.32	1680.72	1660.58	
kWh				17160	15720	
				0.097944	0.105635	
Gas	1167.6	1878.31	68.99	377.95	79.65	
Therm				345	0	
				1.095507		
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Electric	3317.19	3352.99	2334.24	2440.96	2286.65	
kWh			16612	22321	19610	
			0.140515	0.109357	0.116606	
Gas	1357.84	1767.8	216.2	331.52	237.99	
Therm			17.8	295	179	1.33
			12.14607	1.123797	1.329553	
	7-Sep	8-Sep	9-Sep	10-Sep	11-Sep	12-Sep
Electric	4300.38	4662.13	3207.59	3393.36	3492.47	
kWh			27882	28110	27928	
			0.115042	0.120717	0.125053	
Gas	1924.12	2317.88	994.75	1481.18	687.03	
Therm			106.3	1589	689	1.00
			9.357949	0.932146	0.997141	

	7-Oct	8-Oct	9-Oct	10-Oct	11-Oct	12-Oct
Electric	4381.2	4437.37	3682.19	3672.85	3770.59	
kWh			34764	30868	29573	
			0.10592	0.118986	0.127501	
Gas	2673.19	3723.92	3457.86	1804.06	1823.27	
Therm			394.7	1975	2006	.91
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kWh				35160	41436	
				0.098076	0.102613	
Gas	4045.89	6516.74	5812.68	5874.94	6278.67	9.08
Therm				665	691.9	
				8.834496	9.074534	
	1-Feb	8-Feb	9-Feb	10-Feb	11-Feb	12-Feb
Electric	3845.27	4644.28	4021.63	3371.07	3800.08	
kWh				35720	35136	
				0.094375	0.108153	
Gas	5055.43	6602.3	5552.27	5271.27	6190.13	9.09
Therm				579.6	681	
				9.094669	9.089765	
	7-Mar	8-Mar	9-Mar	10-Mar	11-Mar	12-Mar
Electric	4332.07	4104.09	4304.41	3362.6	3759.65	
kWh				35362	34201	
				0.095091	0.109928	
Gas	5073.54	4989.22	6055.67	4539.92	4803.15	
Therm				508	529	
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report to board

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Mon, Dec 12, 2011 at 5:33 PM

To: Lorie Carey <lorie.carey@jhs.k12.mt.us>

12 December 2011

Sorry I will not be able to make the board meeting as I will be recovering from eye surgery in Missoula.

We have offered the assistant boys basketball coaching job to Karson Klass. He is a grad of JHS and played basketball while here. He has no coaching experience but has the desire to help out and learn. I feel he will do a good job.

We have several volunteers that need board approval for insurance coverage. Dick Norden and Mike Charlton were approved by the board last year and they are helping out this year. John Peterson is helping out with the girls team and needs to be approved. Ryan Lewis is helping out on the boys team, off and on, as well as Brian Bullock. Don't know how much either of them will be able to help but they need to be approved.

I do not have the fall coaches completed yet, will have next month.

We have two applications for the golf coach position but have not interviewed yet.

Dan Sturdevant AD

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*** This Email was sent by a staff member at Jefferson High School.
