

## County of Gallatin, Amsterdam School Board Meeting Agenda

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### **1. Call to Order and Roll Call**

**Todd Graham called the meeting to order at 7:01 pm.**

**Trustees present- Todd Graham, Ryan Mattick, Kristy Sullivan, Alana Edwards**

**\*Jeremy Gingerich was tardy; he showed up at 7:09 pm.**

**Staff present- Sharon Roe, Marisa Stewart, Martha Schneider, Becky Pipal, Keda Miller, Sherilyn Stoner**

**Public present- Laura Skillman, Alison Charlton, David Miller**

- 2. Notice of Meeting Being Recorded:** This meeting of the School Board of Trustees, committee of the board of trustees, or committee subject to the open meeting law is being recorded in accordance with Sections 2-2-301, 2-3-203, and 2-3-214 MCA. All members of the board, committee, staff, and public in attendance are advised that the public portions of the meeting will be recorded in both an audio and video format. Cameras and recording devices are placed throughout the meeting room to complete these recordings. Everyone in attendance is reminded to honor basic rules of decorum during the meeting and guidance associated with provided public comment as stated in Policy 1420F. By remaining in the meeting, those present consent to being recorded and displayed in the footage that will be posted on the School District's website.

**Todd Graham read the notice that the meeting was being recorded, and Martha Schneider operated the camera.**

- 3. Public Comments:** Comments should be on issues not on the agenda, and the comments should not infringe on an individual's constitutional right to privacy. Please sign the public comment sign-in sheet and advise on the issue you wish to address. The board chair will call on you to speak.

**N/A**

- 4. Approval of Previous Minutes**  
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[March 12, 2025](#)

[March 20, 2025 Minutes](#)

Ryan Mattick moved to approve the March 12, 2025, meeting minutes. Kristy Sullivan seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous. 4-0

Ryan Mattick moved to approve the meeting minutes for March 20, 2025. Alana Edwards seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous, 4-0.

### 5. Approval of Warrants and Journal Entries

[Warrants](#)   [Claims/PR Checklist](#)

Ryan Mattick moved to approve the payroll and ACH 613041, 613043-613057, \$102,788.86, claim warrants 524028- 524050, 524052-524057, \$26,842.83, totaling \$129,631.69. JVs- none. Voids- 524051 (report printed on check) and 613042 (substitute needed TRS taken out of check). Kristy Sullivan seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous, 4-0.

### 6. Reports and Communications

#### a) Business Manager Report (Information)

[Cash Rec-Jan & Feb](#)   [OPEB Report](#)   [GF Line Item Budget](#)  
[Monthly Summary](#)

Sharon Roe shared that the General Fund budget should be between 67% and 83% during the school year. Currently, Amsterdam is at 69% of the GF.

#### b) Parent Group Report [April PAC minutes](#)

Whoo's Reading is completed. The reading and money goals were both met. The carnival is scheduled for May 21, 2025. PAC has purchased spirit wear and yearbooks for the sixth graders. PAC is also organizing the Field Day lunch.

#### c) Principal/ Superintendent [Report](#) (Informational)

Amsterdam's enrollment is 147 students. The third quarter of the school year has been completed. School elections are coming up. Mrs. Hultman has submitted a letter of resignation. Amsterdam has the athletic schedule for the 2025-2026 school year.

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### d) Board Enrichment:

#### i) Kindergarten Content Standards

[Math](#), [ELA](#), [Science](#), [Social Studies](#), [Art](#)

There was a discussion held about a 4-day-a-week kindergarten vs. a 3-day-a-week kindergarten schedule. Keda Miller, in the past, has recommended that kindergarteners stay home an additional year or be retained, and she continues to be ignored. Becky Pipal shared that when kindergartners have more exposure to skills, they can retain needed skills.

#### ii) [Research on Kindergarten scheduling](#)

### e) Committee Reports

N/A

## 7. Building/ Grounds Maintenance

### a) Project Updates

### b) [Facility Inventory Review](#)

A handicapped parking space has been painted. Gopher eradication has begun. Marisa Stewart will be looking into pricing on new carpet in the 5th and 6th grade classrooms.

## 8. Old Business

### a) [ARP Review](#) [Model Safe Return to Schools and Continuity of Services Plan\(1\).docx](#)

No updates at this time.

### b) 2025-2026 Kindergarten Calendar, Option [1](#), [2](#), or [3](#), and [Survey Results](#)

Marisa Stewart recommended calendar 2 or 3 to provide additional days to kindergarteners. Alana Edwards moved to accept the 2025-2026 Kindergarten Calendar option 2. Ryan Mattick seconded the motion. The vote was 4-1.

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### 9. New Business (Action)

#### a) [2025-2026 Attendance Agreement with Manhattan](#)

Ryan Mattick moved to approve the 2025-2026 attendance agreement with Manhattan. Kristy Sullivan seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous, 5-0.

#### b) [2025-2026 Professional Development Plan](#)

Jeremy Gingerich moved to approve the professional development plan for the 2025-2026 school year. Kristy Sullivan seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous, 5-0.

#### c) Informational [brochure](#) and [video](#): Building Reserve Safety & Security Levy

Ryan Mattick moved to approve the brochure and video for the school levy. Kristy Sullivan seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous, 5-0.

#### d) [Policy 5505](#): Teacher Base Pay and Incentive Funding, First Reading [Current Salary Sch](#)      [STARS Sal Sch](#) [GF w/no STARS funding](#)      [GF w/STARS funding](#)      [Current Classified](#)

Ryan Mattick moved to approve the first reading of Policy 5505. Alana Edwards seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous, 5-0.

#### e) Hiring: Kendall Edwards, paraprofessional (0.2 FTE)

Ryan Mattick moved to approve the hiring of Kendall Edwards. Jeremy Gingerich seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous, 5-0.

#### f) [Updated Substitute List](#) and addition of substitute Kendall Edwards

Jeremy Gingerich moved to approve adding Kendall Edwards to the Amsterdam School substitute list. Alana Edwards seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous, 5-0.

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### **10. Adjournment**

The May meeting is scheduled for May 15, 2025, at 7:00 pm.

Ryan Mattick moved to adjourn the meeting. Alana Edwards seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous, 5-0.

Todd Graham adjourned the meeting at 8:33 pm.

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**Approved:**

Signed:

Attest:

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Todd Graham  
Board Chairman

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Martha Schneider  
District Clerk

Note: Public Comment is requested for each agenda item.