APPROVED

Arlee Joint School District #8

Minutes

Arlee Board of Trustees

Regular Meeting

Date and Time
Tuesday September 8, 2026 at 6:30 PM

Location
Elementary Foyer

Trustees Present
Brian Johnson BigSam, Justin Curtiss (remote), Kris Gardner, Lindsey O'Neill, Samantha Lytle

Trustees Absent
None

Guests Present
Anne Tanner, Brandon Archer, Dori Knoll, Grant Alberty, Jake Bosley, Kendal Baldwin, Laura Curtiss, Liz Beibinger, Lonnie Morin, Mike Rogers

I. Opening Items

A. Record Attendance

B. Call the Meeting to Order

Brian Johnson BigSam called a meeting of the board of trustees of Arlee Joint School District #8 to order on Tuesday Sep 8, 2026 at 6:30 PM.

C. Public Comment

D. Approve Minutes from August 11, 2026

Lindsey O'Neill made a motion to approve the minutes from Arlee Board of Trustees on 08-11-26.
Kris Gardner seconded the motion.
The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.

II. Consent Agenda

A. Recommendations for JH and HS Coaches FY2027

Ross Coleman rescinded his application for JH Boys Basketball Head Coach
JH Girls Basketball Assistant Coach: Cassidy Smith - should be recommended for JH Boys Basketball Assistant Coach.

B. Substitutes

Board moved Gwendolyn Davis to main agenda for voting.
Lindsey O'Neill made a motion to to hire Gwendolyn Davis as a substitute.
Samantha Lytle seconded the motion.
The board **VOTED** to approve the motion.

Roll Call

Brian Johnson BigSam	Abstain
Justin Curtiss	Aye
Lindsey O'Neill	Aye
Samantha Lytle	Aye
Kris Gardner	Aye

C. Nkwsum contracts: Title I

D. Update JH Lighting: Arlee Electric - $19,691.20

Board moved this item from consent to main agenda for voting, as the price increased since the posting of this agenda.
Lindsey O'Neill made a motion to approve the quote for Arlee Electric in the amount of $20,691.20.
Samantha Lytle seconded the motion.
Mike Rogers explained that automatic shut off lighting would be added to the quote, making it about $1,000 more.
The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.

E. Board Vote on Consent Agenda

Lindsey O'Neill made a motion to Approve all hires on consent agenda, making changes as reflected under items as listed.
Kris Gardner seconded the motion.
The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.

III. New Business

A. Elementary and High School Budgets FY2027

Samantha Lytle made a motion to to accept the new budgets with fund balance changes made to 110 and 210.
Kris Gardner seconded the motion.
The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.

B. Elementary Teacher 1 FTE: Brandon Archer (pending background check)

Lindsey O'Neill made a motion to hire Brandon Archer as an elementary teacher for FY2027.
Samantha Lytle seconded the motion.
The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.

C. Paraprofessionals

Lindsey O'Neill made a motion to hire Debra Little, Sisi Whiteman and Cotton Real Bird as paraprofessionals for FY2027.
Kris Gardner seconded the motion.
The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.

D. Out of District Attendance agreements - outgoing

Samantha Lytle made a motion to acknowledge the outgoing student attendance agreements.
Lindsey O'Neill seconded the motion.
The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.

E. Incoming Student Attendance Agreements

Lindsey O'Neill made a motion to accept the incoming student attendance agreements.
Samantha Lytle seconded the motion.
The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.

F. Superintendent Internship fees: $2,500

Kris Gardner made a motion to pay the $2,500 Superintendent Internship fees for Kendal Baldwin.
Samantha Lytle seconded the motion.
Lindsey O'Neill voted No.
The board **VOTED** to approve the motion.

Roll Call	
Samantha Lytle	Aye
Lindsey O'Neill	No
Kris Gardner	Aye
Justin Curtiss	Aye
Brian Johnson BigSam	Aye

IV. Finance

A. Approval of Claims, Payroll and Reports

Lindsey O'Neill made a motion to approve the claims, payroll and reports as attached to the agenda.
Kris Gardner seconded the motion.
The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.

V. Closing Items

A. Next Regular Meeting: October 13, 2026

B. Adjourn Meeting

Lindsey O'Neill made a motion to adjourn the meeting.
Kris Gardner seconded the motion.
The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.
There being no further business to be transacted, and upon motion duly made, seconded and approved, the meeting was adjourned at 7:16 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,
Lindsey O'Neill