

BETTENDORF COMMUNITY SCHOOL DISTRICT  
**BETTENDORF, IOWA**

Unofficial Minutes of the November 5, 2018 Committee of the Whole Meeting  
of the Board of Education  
(pending Board approval)

1. Call to Order.

The Board of Directors of the Bettendorf Community School District, in the County of Scott, State of Iowa, met in open session according to Iowa law for their Committee of the Whole Board meeting at the Administration Center, 3311 18th Street, Bettendorf, Iowa, on November 5, 2018. President Adam Holland called the meeting to order at 6:10 p.m. and the Board recited the Pledge of Allegiance. Colleen Skolrood, Board Secretary, verified that the meeting notice had been posted and mailed to the media as required by law.

Members present: Directors Castro, Champion, Holland, Lynch, Staley

Members absent: Directors Pyevich, Struck

Other officials present: Mike Raso, Superintendent; Dallon Christensen, Director of Finance; Chris Andrus, Director of Operations; Celeste Miller, Director of Communications; Lisa Reid, BMS Principal; Lana LaSalle, TJ Principal; Karen Allison, HH Principal; Brian Walthart, PN Principal; Caroline Olson, MT Principal; Megan Kannenberg, BEA Representative; Will Jefferson, Student Rep; David Farmer, Treasurer; Colleen Skolrood, Board Secretary.

Director Pyevich arrived at 6:33 p.m. Director Struck arrived at 6:41 p.m.

2. Agenda Approval.

Motion by Director Lynch, seconded by Director Staley, to approve the agenda as presented.

Ayes: 5 Directors Castro, Champion, Holland, Lynch, Staley

Nays: 0

Absent: 2 Directors Pyevich, Struck

Motion carried 5-0-2

3. Comments & Suggestions from Audience.

3.01 Any member of the audience may address the board with comments about items of interest or concern. Please state your name and address and please limit your comments to three minutes. Iowa law prohibits discussing specific employees or their job performance. Please refer to policy 213.E1 - Public Input At Board Meetings.

There were no comments.

4. Commendations & Special Invited Guests.

4.01 Veterans Day Recognition (info only). In honor of Veterans' Day on November 11, the Bettendorf Community School District recognizes the contribution of all those staff members and Directors who serve or have served our country in the armed services. The observance of this day helps preserve the spirit of patriotism, sacrifice, and the willingness to work together for the common good that these men and women have demonstrated.

4.02 BMS Students Selected for Opus Honor Choir. Six Bettendorf Middle School students

were recently selected to participate in the 32 Annual Opus Honor Choir Festival. Approximately 3,000 students were nominated by their directors for 720 positions in the four Opus Honor Choirs. Selections were made by means of a recorded audition. Bettendorf Middle School Students: Ella Boehm, 6th grade, Jack Cockayne, 8th grade, Eva Fiedler, 6th grade, Jordyn Mitchell, 8th grade, Kate Scholl, 6th grade, Adelinn Williamson, 6th grade. The 2018 Opus Honor Choirs will perform at 4 pm November 15th in C.Y. Stephens Auditorium in the Iowa State Center in Ames.

- 4.03 Congratulations to the following students for being selected to participate in Iowa Junior Honors Orchestra 2017. Iowa Junior Honors for Middle School (Rachel Palmer)  
Violin: Jack Cockayne, Andrea Koehler, Sylvia Tank, Audrey Scarlett  
Bass: Abigail Kennis  
Iowa Junior Honors Orchestra (Megan Cooney)  
Violin: Skylar Fausset-Nonnenman, Rebeca Garza-Doty, Grace Schuetz, Robert Schwan III  
Viola: Emma Cleveland, Carolyn Kress  
Cello: Isabelle Appel
- 4.04 All State Music Auditions. The All-State music auditions took place on Saturday, October 20th. Congratulations to our entire music staff for qualifying 6 band students, 5 members of choir and 2 orchestra students. The following students will perform at All-State in November: Band: Erin Anderson – clarinet, Melanie Klein - clarinet, Logan Delacy - clarinet, Minori Peters - clarinet, Dan Wilkinson - clarinet (alternate), Owen Weimer – trombone  
Orchestra: Layken Bytnar - bass, Peter Hurd – bass  
Choir: Sophia Pike, Signey Bowling, Jona Levi, Alex Obert, Collin Feaster (alternate)
- 4.05 Mark Twain Update. Tom Quinn with Bush Construction gave an update on the schedule and budget for the new school. He is a little concerned about the budget. It is a very busy market right now and prices are high. Mr. Quinn would like to move the bid project back a week or two to avoid going out to bid on the same date as another school district.

5. Consent Agenda.

Motion by Director Staley, seconded by Director Champion, to approve the consent agenda as printed.

Director Castro wanted to add more under consent agenda October 15<sup>th</sup> board meeting minutes. As Director Castro began to ask some of his questions the chair asked Director Struck if she wanted to hear his questions and she answered no and wanted to vote. Director Castro continued for a few more brief seconds at which time he was ruled out of order by the chair not once, but twice. Director Castro was not permitted to ask any further questions regarding the second and final reading listed in the consent agenda under item 6.06.

Ayes: 5 Directors Champion, Holland, Lynch, Staley, Castro  
Nays: 0  
Absent: 2 Directors Pyevich, Struck  
Motion carried 5-0-2

- 5.01 Approval of October 8, 2018 Special Board Meeting Minutes and October 15, 2018 Regular Board Meeting Minutes  
5.02 Approval of September Financials

- 5.03 Approval of November 5, 2018 Bills Recommended for Payment
- 5.04 Approval of Administrative Recommendations – Personnel
- Classified Resignation
- Rachel Jackson**/PN/Paraeducator/Effective 10/19/18
- Renee Richmond**/Administration Center/Accounting Supervisor/Effective 10/30/18
- Tisha Rinehart**/BMS/Nutrition Services-Cook/Effective 11/02/18
- Recommendation to Hire
- Emily Baker**/PN/Paraeducator/\$16.39 per hour/4.0 hours per day/Replacing Rachel Jackson/Effective 11/7/18
- Greg Chapman**/Operations/Safety and Compliance Coordinator/\$20.05 per hour/8.0 hours per day/Replacing Korey Caves/Effective 11/12/18
- Jade Colby**/GW/Youth Mentor/\$15.71 per hour/2.5 hours per week/Replacing Jared Kannenberg/Effective 10/17/18
- Melissa Franzen**/HH/Paraeducator/\$16.39 per hour/5.75 hours per day/Replacing Kelli Vollmer/Effective 11/07/18
- John Jack**/Operations/Bus Driver-Route/\$17.67/18.40 after 90 days/4.0 hours per day/Replacing Rhonda DeFrance/Effective 10/30/18
- Molly Mayer-Popehn**/GW/Youth Mentor/\$15.71 per hour/2.5 hours per week/Additional Staff/Effective 10/17/18
- Ashly Richmond**/GW/Youth Mentor/\$15.71 per hour/2.5 hours per week/Additional Staff/Effective 10/17/18
- Joanne Ripple**/MT/Paraeducator/\$16.39 per hour/5.75 hours per day/New Position-Student Need/Effective 11/07/18
- Rebecca Smith**/HH/Paraeducator/\$16.39 per hour/5.75 hours per day/New Position-Student Need/Effective 11/07/18
- Letter of Assignment Modification
- Yvonne Abbott**/BMS/Paraeducator/Same rate of pay/From 5.5 to 5.75 hours per day/Replacing Christina Ditzman/Effective 10/15/18
- Elizabeth Heesch**/NA to NA-MT/Paraeducator/Same rate of pay/From 3.0 to 5.0 hours per day/Student need/Effective 11/1/18
- Hailey Laughlin**/BMS/Paraeducator/Same rate of pay/From 6.75 every other day to 5.5 hours per day/Replacing Yvonne Abbott/Effective 11/5/18
- Bobbi Mortiboy**/MT to MT-BHS/Same rate of pay/From 3.0 to 5.5 hours per day/Replacing Christina Tubbs/Effective 10/23/18
- Robert Simpson**/GW to MT/Paraeducator/Same rate of pay/5.75 hours per day/Involuntary Transfer-Student Need/Effective 10/31/18
- Amanda Sullivan**/BMS/Paraeducator/Same rate of pay/From 5.75 to 28 hours per week/Replacing Lisa Deines/Effective 10/24/18
- Certified Resignation
- Heidi Redmond**/District/ELP/Effective 11/2/18
- Certified Transfer
- Kyle Mink**/BMS/From Language Arts to Instructional Coach/1.0 FTE/ Replacing Jeremy Heeringa/Effective 10/15/18
- 5.05 Approval of Portrait of a Graduate Minutes
- 5.06 Approval of Mastery Connect
- 5.07 Approval of Loras College Clinical Practicum & School Counseling Intern Agreement
- 5.08 Approval of Early Graduate for 1st Quarter 2018/2019
- 5.09 Approval of Policies 704.3, 705.1, 705.1E1, 804.2, 804.8
- 5.10 Approval of Proclamation for American Education Week
- 5.11 Approval of Donations for Fine Arts Boosters Patron Program

- 5.12 Approval of donation for the Robotics Club in the amount of \$500.00 from Arconic Foundation, 4879 State Street, Bettendorf, IA. 52722
- 5.13 Approval of Requests for Open Enrollment  
FOR INFORMATION ONLY. The following students have been approved for open enrollment.  
Into Bettendorf from Davenport 2018/19  
Ian Despeghel, grade 11, siblings  
Olivia Bohren, grade 11  
Into Bettendorf from Pleasant Valley 2018/19  
Jenna Wingate, grade 10, new move

6. Shared Communication & Committee Reports.

- 6.01 Board Shared Communication & Committee Reports (audio begins at 14m 02s).

Director Castro thanked Superintendent Raso for the first quarter Professional Development report. He would like to hear from those who attended conferences about what they saw and heard.

Director Lynch will be attending the IASB Conference next week.

- 6.02 Student Representatives' Report.

The Student Hunger Drive has wrapped up. The Blood Drive is November 13<sup>th</sup> at the high school. November 6-7 is the Career Expo for high school juniors.

- 6.03 BEA Report.

The BEA received an e-mail from Superintendent Raso answering questions regarding curriculum. They look forward to that discussion continuing at their round table meeting next Monday.

7. Discussion Items & Reports.

- 7.01 Board Budget and Goal Setting (audio begins at 19m 38s).

Finance Director Dallon Christensen led directors through a discussion on the 2018-2019 budget summary and 2018-2019 budget analysis book. He explained how the district's spending aligns with its priorities and how the district will continue spending near the level of revenues and annual authorized budget amounts. He also talked about how the district can best utilize the resources available to consolidate elementary schools to improve the educational experience for our students while continuing to operate in a fiscally sustainable manner.

Director Lynch found the budget to be a useful overview. He would like to see the full detail in the budget going forward. Director Champion would like to see capital expenditure requests by area.

- 7.02 Discussion of First Reading of Policies 701.4, 701.4R1, 705.3, 707.8, 712, 712.R1, 802.4, 802.4R1, 802.4R2 (audio begins at 59m 58s).

These policies are related to the audit because they were outdated. New policies are the recommendation of IASB.

Director Struck said it is the recommendation of the past policy committee and board leadership that we do not bring policies 405.10, 406.1, and 406.4 back to the table for another reading until there is a handbook in place.

8. Management Report.

- 8.01 Superintendent's Report. Football game on Friday at 4:00 p.m. Community Forum meeting regarding the Bond is on Wednesday.
- 8.02 Director of Finance Report. Dallon addressed Director Castro's questions.

9. Board Requests for Information.

There were no requests for information.

Future Events and Informational Items.

- Tuesday, November 6, MT Core Team Meeting, 11:00
- Wednesday, November 7, Community Forum, 6:00 pm
- Tuesday, November 13, BCSF Meeting, 11:45 am
- Tuesday, November 13, All Admin Meeting, 1:00 pm
- Wednesday, November 14-16 IASB Annual Convention
- Wednesday, November 14, Board Agenda Planning, 5:00 pm - tentative
- Wednesday, November 14, PRC meeting, 6:00 pm - tentative
- Monday, November 19, BOE meeting, 6:00 pm

10. Closed Session - Superintendent Evaluation.

10.01 Motion to Enter into Closed Session.

Motion by Director Struck, seconded by Director Staley, to go into closed session in accordance with Iowa Code section 21.5(1)(i), for the purpose of evaluating the professional competency of individuals whose appointment, hiring, performance or discharge are being considered, when necessary to prevent needless and irreparable injury to those individuals' reputations and those individuals request a closed session.

Ayes: 7 Directors Holland, Lynch, Pyevich, Staley, Struck, Castro, Champion

Nays: 0

Motion carried 7-0

Directors entered into closed session at 7:27 p.m. Directors returned to open session at 9:05 p.m.

11. Adjournment.

Director Castro motion to adjourn the meeting at 9:05 p.m.

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Adam Holland, President

ATTEST:

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Colleen Skolrood, Secretary