

BETTENDORF COMMUNITY SCHOOL DISTRICT
BETTENDORF, IOWA

Unofficial Minutes of the January 6, 2020, Regular 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 regular Board meeting at the Administration Center, 3311 18th Street, Bettendorf, Iowa, on January 6, 2020. President Adam Holland called the meeting to order at 6:00 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, Doerder, Eastman, Holland, Lynch, Pyevich
Members absent: None

Other officials present: Mike Raso, Superintendent; Brietta Collier, Director of Finance; Heather Stocking, Director of Human Resources; Celeste Miller, Director of Communications; Curt Pratt, Director of Operations; Karen Allison, HH Principal; Tammy Chelf, Thomas Edison Student Services Coordinator; David Farmer, Treasurer; Mary Heeringa, BEA Representative; Colleen Skolrood, Board Secretary.

2. Agenda Approval.

Motion by Director Castro, seconded by Director Pyevich, to approve the agenda as presented.

Ayes: 7 Directors Castro, Champion, Doerder, Eastman, Holland, Lynch, Pyevich

Nays: 0

Motion carried 7-0

3. Commendations & Special Invited Guests.

3.01 Q & A with Local Legislators. Legislators, Gary Mohr, Roby Smith, and Phyllis Thede answered questions and listened to concerns.

3.02 SEISTA Honor Orchestra. SEISTA Honor Orchestra is an honor string orchestra experience in South Eastern Iowa. It is a one-day affair, hosted at Bettendorf High School. There are three orchestras: High School, Middle School, and Cadet (upper elementary and lower middle school students).

Congratulations to the following Bettendorf students for being selected to participate in SEISTA Honor Orchestra 2020!

Cadet Orchestra (Graciela Burroughs, Sara Calderon)

Violin: Sydney Coussens (GW), Noah Hlas (NA), Ella Ripslinger (PN)

Cello: Hadley Appel (PN), Ellie Winkler (PN)

Cadet Orchestra (Rachel Palmer, BMS)

Violin: Katelyn Farmer, Rachel Frohlich, Noah Leavitt, Cecelia Spector

Viola: Cody Trevino

Cello: Kaija Anderson

Bass: Stella Lundh, Chloe Martin, Troy Tatton

Middle School Orchestra (Rachel Palmer)

Violin: Martin DeKeyzer, Annabelle Donohoo (alternate), Emma Pearson, Gianna Schwartz, Abigail Torgerud

Viola: Calista Rasmer, Luceena Susairaj, Halima Talbi
Cello: Olivia Stoltenberg
Bass: Zoe Beck
High School Orchestra (Megan Cooney)
Violin: Rayanne Brackey, Ryan Harris, Carter Wolf
Viola: Nathanael Houk
Cello: Isabelle Appel, Stephanie Rice, Faith Weis
Bass: Ava Abbott

- 3.03 Preston Martens Places 4th in US Finals for the International German Olympics. 280 students from across the U.S. competed in the preliminary rounds of the IDO. Fourteen finalists, seven students with two years or less and seven with more than two years, qualified to advance to the finals competition held on Dec. 6-7 in Chicago, IL.

4. Comments & Suggestions from Audience.

4.01 President's Statement.

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.

5. Consent Agenda.

Motion by Director Lynch, seconded by Director Pyevich, to approve the consent agenda as printed.

Ayes: 7 Directors Champion, Doerder, Eastman, Holland, Lynch, Pyevich, Castro

Nays: 0

Motion carried 7-0

5.01 Approval of December 16, 2019 Regular Board Minutes

5.02 Approval of January 6, 2020 Bills Recommended for Pay

5.03 Approval of Administrative Recommendations – Personnel

Administrative Resignation

Heather Stocking/Admin/Director of Human Resources/Effective 1/18/20 Schedule D Resignation

Haley Duwa/BHS/Head JV Softball Coach/Effective 12/16/19

Ashley Yattoni/BHS/Assistant Varsity Softball Coach/Effective 12/13/19 Schedule D

Approval to Hire

Haley Duwa/BHS/Assistant Varsity Softball Coach/\$3,863/Replacing Ashley Yattoni/Effective 1/1/20

Classified Letter of Assignment Modification

Clara Hayward/MT/Paraeducator-Secretary B to Paraeducator/\$16.74 per hour/5.75 hours per day/District Need/ Effective 01/06/20

Larry Kephart/MT-BHS to MT/Nutrition Service Part-Time to Cook/\$14.43 to 15.28 per hour/5.5 hours per day/District Need/Effective 01/06/20

Hailey Laughlin/BMS to BHS/Paraeducator/Same rate of pay/5.25 to 5.75 hours per day/Replacing Theresa Miguel/Effective 01/08/20

Dean McCrea/Mark Twain South to BMS/Custodian/Same rate of pay/8.0 hours per day/District Need/Effective 01/02/20

Catherine Sisul/BHS to MT/Custodian/Same rate of pay/8.0 hours per day/District Need/Effective 01/02/20

Classified Recommendation to Hire

Alexandra Bolin/BMS/Paraeducator/\$16.74 per hour/5.75 hours per day/Replacing Jamie Delaney/Effective 01/07/20

Jessica Crockett/NA/Paraeducator/\$16.74 per hour/5.75 hours per day/New Position-Student Need/Effective 01/07/20

Angela Pacini/PN/Paraeducator/\$16.74 per hour/3.0 hours per day/New Position-Overage/Effective 01/07/20

Nyro Ragsdale/HH/Paraeducator/\$16.74 per hour/5.75 hours per day/Replacing Melissa Franzen/Effective 01/07/20

Terri Sierra/ PN/Paraeducator/\$16.74 per hour/3.0 hours per day/New Position-Overage/Effective 01/07/20

5.04 Approval of a \$2000.00 for negative student lunch balance accounts from Mr. Charles and Jean Kiebler, 2140 Gretchen Ct, Bettendorf, IA. 52722

5.05 Approval of Requests for Open Enrollment
FOR INFORMATION ONLY. The following students have been approved for open enrollment.

Into Bettendorf 2019/20

Brantley Petersen, grade 1, continuation (PV)

Out of Bettendorf 2019/20

Ariana Castles, grade 8, continuation (Clayton Ridge)

Trystan Castles, grade 3, continuation (Clayton Ridge)

Joshua Orwig, grade 5, continuation (PV)

6. Shared Communication & Committee Reports.

6.01 Board Shared Communication & Committee Reports.

Directors attended the Mark Twain Ribbon Cutting and said it was very nice. They thanked all those who showed up to help move and set up the new school.

Director Lynch noted that Tuesday, January 28th is IASB on the Hill. He said this would be an ideal opportunity to visit our local representatives.

Director Eastman met with Curt Pratt and Karen Allison to learn more about the future project options at Herbert Hoover Elementary.

Director Pyevich shared a feel good story involving two Bettendorf football players. The football players found a stray dog and were able to reunite it with its owners.

6.02 Student Representatives' Report.

There was no student representative in attendance.

6.03 BEA Report.

Mary Heeringa reported the BEA will be meeting on Wednesday at Mark Twain. Round Table is next Monday. They are meeting for second round of negotiations next Wednesday.

7. Discussion Items.

7.01 Facility Update.

Directors discussed future projects at Herbert Hoover Elementary and Thomas Edison.

Herbert Hoover

There were seven options presented in 3 tiers and each option has a description, a diagrammatic graphic, a program of spaces, and a budget. Base Level projects meet the minimum basic needs for the building. The second tier project meets more of the needs of the school and is built upon the second base level option, meaning it includes all the work in that option, plus additional spaces or miscellaneous work. The third tier project would work toward making the facility comparable in available space to the newer schools in the district.

Thomas Edison

Director Pratt looked into programming and site selection for Thomas Edison in order to give the design teams a good direction to respond to a Request for Proposals. The original size was assumed to be 10,000 SF with a total project cost of \$2.5 million. The project as it stands right now is just shy of 15,000 SF, with all budgets developed surpassing the \$4 million mark. There are 3 project budgets for 3 different site scenarios. One is a standalone building on the Middle School campus, an addition to the Middle School, or purchasing an office building and renovating it to house the program. The majority of the board favored a standalone building on the Middle School campus. Director Pyevich requested Director Pratt look into a lease option with Ross College. The board was supportive of moving forward with an architect.

7.02 Discussion of 2020-21 At-Risk Budget.

Director of Finance Brietta Collier discussed the Modified Supplemental Amount for the At-Risk budget. This gives the district the cash to support their spending authority. The district is requesting a maximum Modified Supplemental Amount of \$1,241,951 to support the 2020/21 At-Risk program.

8. Action Items.

8.01 Approval of 2020-2021 At-Risk Budget.

Motion by Director Lynch, seconded by Director Doerder, to approve the request for maximum MSA of \$1,241,951 to support the 2020/21 Board approved At Risk program.

Ayes: 7 Directors Doerder, Eastman, Holland, Lynch, Pyevich, Castro, Champion

Nays: 0

Motion carried 7-0

9. Management Report.

- 9.01 Superintendent Report. Superintendent Raso thanked Director Stocking for her work over the last four years. He wished her all the best.
- 9.02 Director of Finance Report. Director Collier thanked Director Stocking for her work. She said she was a strong member of the administration team and will be missed. President Holland wished Director Stocking all the best.
- 9.03 Next Agenda Planning.

10. Future Events and Informational Items.

- Thursday, January 9, BOE Training, 6:00 pm, Admin
- Monday, January 13, PRC meeting, 5:00 pm, Admin
- Monday, January 13, Agenda Planning, 6:00 pm, Admin
- Wednesday, January 15, Negotiations meeting, 3:30 pm, Admin
- Tuesday, January 21, BOE meeting, 5:00 pm, Admin
- Wednesday, January 22, Board Development Work Session, 6:00 pm, Admin

11. Exempt Session – Negotiations.

11.01 Motion to Enter into Exempt Session.

Motion by Director Eastman, seconded by Director Doerder, to enter into exempt session, as provided in the Code of Iowa section 20.17(3) and 20.9 for the purpose of discussing strategies for negotiations.

Ayes: 7 Directors Lynch, Pyevich, Castro, Champion, Doerder, Eastman, Holland

Nays: 0

Motion carried 7-0

Directors entered into exempt session at 7:46 p.m. They returned to open session at 8:30 p.m.

12. Adjournment.

Director Castro motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:30 p.m.

Adam Holland, President

ATTEST:

Colleen Skolrood, Secretary