

BETTENDORF COMMUNITY SCHOOL DISTRICT
BETTENDORF, IOWA

Unofficial Minutes of the August 21, 2017 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 August 21, 2017. President Gordon Staley 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, Pyevich, Staley, Tinsman, Trahan

Members absent: Directors Justis, Struck

Other officials present: Mike Raso, Superintendent; Dallon Christensen, Director of Finance and Business Services; Heather Stocking, Director of Human Resources; Celeste Miller, Director of Communications; Chris Andrus, Director of Operations; Lana LaSalle, TJ Principal; Tim Perkins, Treasurer; Colleen Skolrood, Board Secretary.

Director Justis arrived at 6:40 p.m.

2. Agenda Approval.

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

Ayes: 5 Directors Castro, Pyevich, Staley, Tinsman, Trahan

Nays: 0

Absent: 2 Directors Justis, Struck

Motion carried 5-0-2

3. Comments & Suggestions from Audience.

President's Statement. On behalf of fellow Board members, at this time I would like to invite any member of the audience to step to the microphone with comments about items of interest or concern that do not appear on the agenda this evening. Please begin by stating your name and address. It would be most appreciated if you would limit your comments to three minutes so that we can keep the meeting moving in a timely fashion and allow others an opportunity to speak. We ask that you remember that Iowa law prohibits us from discussing specific employees or their job performance. If you have thoughts to share about items that are included as topics for tonight's meeting, we would invite those comments when we reach that point in the meeting. Thank you for your support of our school district.

There were no comments.

4. Consent Agenda.

Motion by Director Castro, seconded by Director Tinsman, to approve the consent agenda as printed.

Director Trahan requested her comment be added to the 8/7/17 Regular Board Minutes. When Marty asked Director Trahan if she ever once said to the high school math department that they are doing a good job. Director Trahan said, "I don't know who you have been talking to, the teachers that my kids have gone through...I know I have said numerous times how outstanding they are. I think the teachers are doing an outstanding job and that is why I have asked again have we looked at the curriculum. The teachers are amazing so let me make sure you understand that."

Director Trahan had a question about the four paras and how they related to the ten kindergarteners in the self-contained program at Hoover. Superintendent Raso indicated that he and appropriate district personnel were aware of the situation and are working on the issue.

Ayes: 5 Directors Pyevich, Staley, Tinsman, Trahan, Castro
Nays: 0
Absent: 2 Directors Justis, Struck
Motion carried 5-0-2

- 4.01 Approval of August 7, 2017 Regular Board Minutes
- 4.02 Approval of August 21, 2017 Bills Recommended for Payment
- 4.03 Approval of Administrative Recommendations – Personnel

Classified Resignation

Janey Batterson/BMS/Paraeducator/Effective 08/15/17

Lewis Marshall/BMS/Custodian/Effective 08/16/17

Alex Schlue/GW/Paraeducator/Effective 07/31/17

Julie Yakish/BHS/Paraeducator/Effective 08/11/17

Samuel Yarham/Operators/Bus Driver/Effective 08/11/17

Recommendation to Hire

Sarah Ballard/HH/Paraeducator/\$16.11 per hour/5.75 hours per day/New position-student need/Effective 08/22/17

Lisa Brandel/BMS/Paraeducator/\$16.11 per hour/24 hours per week/Replacing Lynn Thompson/Effective 08/22/17

Megan Brown/MT/Paraeducator/\$16.11 per hour/5.75 hours per day/Replacing Angela Kunz/Effective 08/22/17

Robert Connelly/Operations/HVAC Technician/\$20.59/\$22.38 after 90 days/15.75 hours per week/Replacing Carl Orhstrom/Effective 08/22/17

Chandler Cox/GW/Paraeducator/\$16.11 per hour/5.75 hours per day/Replacing Alex Schlue/Effective 08/22/17

Ashley Dodson/MT/Youth Mentor/\$15.71 per hour/20.75 hours per week/Replacing Alexandra Madison/Effective 08/18/17

Samantha Farra/GW/Paraeducator/\$16.11 per hour/5.75 hours per day/Replacing Susan Feltes-Fitzgerald/Effective 08/22/17

Kayla Goetz/HH/Nutrition Services-Part time/\$12.94/\$13.72 after 90 days/3.0 hours per day/Replacing Dawn Korth/Effective 08/22/17

Wendy Green/HH/Paraeducator/\$16.11 per hour/5.75 hours per day/New position-student need/Effective 08/22/17

Stephanie Houston/BHS/Nutrition Services-Part Time/\$12.94/\$13.72 after 90 days/5.75 hours per day/Replacing Allison Nelson/Effective 08/22/17

Sarah Latimer/MT/Paraeducator/\$16.11 per hour/5.75 hours per day/Replacing Paul Vermette/Effective 08/22/17

Amy Smith/HH/Paraeducator/\$16.11 per hour/5.75 hours per day/New position-student need/Effective 08/22/17

Deanna Solis-Cantrill/HH/Paraeducator/\$16.11 per hour/5.75 hours per day/New position-student need/Effective 08/22/17

Classified Letter of Assignment Modification

Rachel Jackson/PN/Paraeducator/5.75 to 4.0 hours per day/Same rate of pay/Replacing Janine Sunderman/Effective 08/22/17

Janine Sunderman/PN/Paraeducator/4.0 to 5.75 hours per day/Same rate of pay/Replacing Rachel Jackson/Effective 08/22/17

Certified Approval to Hire

Abby Branch/GW/Special Education/1.0 FTE/BA,5/\$44,626/Pending verification/Replacing Elizabeth Coplan/Effective 2017-2018 school year

Nicholas Myers/BMS/Special Education/1.0 FTE/BA,0/\$37,150/ Replacing Kelly Batke/Effective 2017-2018 school year

Sarah Nau/MT/Teacher Librarian/1.0 FTE/BA,0/\$37,150/Replacing Katherine Seibel/Effective 2017-2018 school year

Lee Starovich/District/Music, Orchestra/0.50 FTE/MA,0/\$21,944/New position – student need/Effective 2017-2018 school year

Kelly Turner/BMS/Language Arts/1.0 FTE/MA,5/\$50,545/Replacing Connie Jeschke/Effective 2017-2018 school year

Schedule D Resignation

Joshua Liddle/BMS/Head 7th & 8th Grade Wrestling Coach/Effective 8/14/17

Schedule D Approval to Hire

Ronald Bergman/BMS/Lunchroom Supervision \$1,402/Replacing Brad Cole/Effective 2017-2018 school year

Alec Clark/BMS/Lunchroom Supervision \$1,402/Replacing Chad Uhde/Effective 2017-2018 school year

Lauren Frame/BHS/Head Freshman Volleyball Coach/\$3,863/Replacing Breelyn Seifert/Effective 8/8/17

Nicholas Myers/BMS/Lunchroom Supervision \$1,402/Replacing Craig Kinzer/Effective 2017-2018 school year

Casey Naab/BHS/Assistant 9th Grade Football Coach/\$3,863/Replacing Jordan Spires/Effective 8/7/17

Kevin Roling/BMS/Lunchroom Supervision/\$1,402/Replacing Kevin Roling/Effective 2017-2018 school year

Chad Schmertmann/BMS/Assistant 7th Grade Football Coach \$1,869/ Replacing Jacob Koepnick/Effective 2017-2018 school year

Claire Steffen/BMS/Lunchroom Supervision \$1,402/Replacing Shannon Budde/Effective 2017-2018 school year

- 4.04 Approval of Tuition Application for Nicolina Pappas, grade 1, from Rock Island, IL. Landon Winston, grade 7, Davenport, IA. Jamel Winston, grade 10, Davenport, IA. and Keshawn Baker, grade 12, Pleasant Valley

- 4.05 Approval of Requests for Open Enrollment
Into Bettendorf from Pleasant Valley 2017/18

Thomas Buckwalter, grade 10, continuation

Cade Burton, grade 11, continuation

Emily Daley, grade 9, good cause

Into Bettendorf from Davenport 2017/18

Tatyiana Griffith, grade 12, continuation

Abaigail Keller, grade 3, continuation

Ava Keller, grade 1, continuation
Into Davenport from Bettendorf 2017/18
Chaos Gryp, grade K, sibling attends
Into Clayton Ridge 2017/18
Caitlin Larson, grade 11, good cause

5. Shared Communication & Committee Reports.

5.01 Board Shared Communication & Committee Reports.

There was no board shared communication.

6. Old Business.

6.01 Strategic Plan/Vision Cards: AP Discussion.

Directors reviewed the 2016-2017 Advance Placement (AP) results. 651 students enrolled in AP classes last year. Students took a total of 394 exams. 78% scored 3 or higher. 68 students earned AP Scholar status. BHS had 45 AP Scholars in 2015-2016.

6.02 Second and Final Reading of Board Policies.

Motion by Director Castro, seconded by Director Pyevich to approve a second and final reading of board policies: 401.4 rev, 403.1 rev, 403.8 rev, 405.2 rev, 405.5 rev, 405.6 rev, 405.7 rev, 405.8 rev, 406.5, 407.5 rev, 408.1 rev, 409.1 rev, 409.2 rev, 409.3 rev, 409.7 rev, 411.4 rev, 414.1 rev, 414.2 rev, 414.5 rev, 414.7 rev, 700 rev, 706.1 rev not including 409.5, 411.1, and 414.3 and with minor suggested changes.

Ayes: 5 Directors Pyevich, Staley, Tinsman, Trahan, Castro

Nays: 0

Abstained: 1 Director Justis

Absent: 1 Director Struck

Motion carried 5-0-1-1

Director Justis abstained from voting because she arrived at the end of the discussion.

7. New Business.

7.01 District-Wide Facility Assessment Update (audio begins at 43m 13s).

Director of Operations Chris Andrus and Legat Architects discussed the district-wide facility assessment. The review looked at building facility needs for Bettendorf High School, Bettendorf Middle School, Edison Academy, Herbert Hoover Elementary, Mark Twain Elementary, Paul Norton Elementary, and Thomas Jefferson Elementary.

The overall analysis shows that the buildings have “good bones” as well as some aging out systems and areas. A list of potential priorities was presented to the board. Legat is working with Estes Construction to determine projected costs and district staff to prioritize facility and district improvements.

8. Management Report.

- 9.01 Superintendent's Report – PLC Hybrid Institute went very well.
CHALLENGE 5 - QC school districts and United Way are challenging parents and student to strive for less than 5 days absent at school.
- 9.02 Director of Finance's Report – Year-end closing is on schedule. The Finance Team is working very hard.

9. Board Requests for Information.

There were no requests for information.

10. Future Events and Informational Items.

- Monday & Tuesday, August 21 & 22, District Staff In-service
- Monday, August 23, First Day of School - Early Release
- Wednesday, August 30, Board Candidate Forum
- Monday, September 4, Labor Day
- Tuesday, September 12, School Board Elections

11. Closed Session - Negotiations.

- 11.01 Motion by Director Justis, seconded by Director Pyevich, 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: 6 Directors Justis, Pyevich, Staley, Tinsman, Trahan, Castro

Nays: 0

Absent: 1 Director Struck

Motion carried 6-1

Directors went into closed session at 7:14 p.m. Directors returned to open session at 8:03 p.m.

12. Adjournment.

Director Castro motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:03 p.m.

Gordon Staley, President

ATTEST:

Colleen Skolrood, Secretary