

BETTENDORF COMMUNITY SCHOOL DISTRICT  
**BETTENDORF, IOWA**

Unofficial Minutes of the June 3, 2019 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 June 3, 2019. 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, Holland, Lynch, Pyevich, Struck

Members absent: Director Staley

Other officials present: Mike Raso, Superintendent; Heather Stocking, Director of Human Resources; Jillian Dotson, Director of Curriculum; Chris Andrus, Director of Operations; Celeste Miller, Director of Communications; Megan Kannenberg, BEA Representative; David Farmer, Treasurer; Colleen Skolrood, Board Secretary.

2. Agenda Approval.

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

Director Castro had some questions regarding the bills listed under the consent agenda. Under consent agenda 3.03, he pointed out another special education resignation and said it is the seventh resignation in the last 2 ½ months. He also mentioned the voluntary transfer of a Middle School math teacher to health. He said it is troubling to him why the change is taking place.

Superintendent Raso noted an addendum was added today to consent agenda 3.05 for Jefferson and Edison.

Director Struck pointed out under consent agenda 3.06, approval of the preschool contracts, that there is new legislation and we need to make sure we provide special education services to children who need services in private preschool sites first before we move them to one of our buildings.

President Holland asked for a report on recent special education resignations.

Ayes: 4 Directors Champion, Holland, Lynch, Struck

Nays: 2 Directors Castro, Pyevich

Absent: 1 Director Staley

Motion carried 4-2-1

3. Consent Agenda.

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

Ayes: 5 Directors Champion, Holland, Lynch, Pyevich, Struck

Nays: 1 Director Castro

Absent: 1 Director Staley  
Motion carried 5-1-1

- 3.01 Approval of May 20, 2019 Regular Board Minutes
- 3.02 Approval of June 3, 2019 Bills Recommended for Payment
- 3.03 Approval of Administrative Recommendations – Personnel  
Classified Termination
- 3.04 **Christopher Curler**/Operations/Bus Driver/Effective 05/31/19
- 3.05 Classified Retirement
- 3.06 **Karla Enright**/GW/Paraeducator/Effective 06/06/19
- 3.07 **Sheri Fleming**/BHS/Accompanist/Effective 06/06/19
- 3.08 Classified Resignation  
**Jessica Horton**/GW/Paraeducator/Effective 05/31/19  
**Terri Sierra**/PN/Paraeducator/Effective 06/06/19  
Letter of Assignment Modification  
**Ann Black**/MT to NA/Paraeducator/Same rate of pay/5.75 to 3.5 hours per day/Replacing Elizabeth Heesch/Effective 08/20/19  
**Courtney Broderick**/TJ to GW/Paraeducator to Secretary B/\$16.84 to \$16.54 (18-19 rate)/5.75 hours per day/Replacing Kendall Place/Effective 08/20/19  
Classified Recommendation to Hire  
**Ann Black**/NA/Youth Mentor/\$15.71 per hour/2.25 hours per day/Replacing Stacey Zabel-Hudson/Effective 08/23/19  
**Patrick Galvin**/BHS/Paraeducator/\$16.39 (18-19 rate)/5.75 hours per day/Replacing Jana Jackson/Effective 08/20/19  
**Diana Williams**/BHS/Security/\$19.43/19.81 after 90 days (18-19 rate)/8.0 hours per day/New position/Effective 08/20/19  
Certified Resignation  
**Quinn Leathers**/HH/Special Education/Effective 7/1/19  
**Alexa Mendoza**/HH/Nurse/Effective 6/30/19  
Certified Approval to Hire  
**Jillian Knott**/BMS/Language Arts/1.0 FTE/BA,2/\$39,956/Replacing Taylor Johnson/Effective 2019-2020 school year  
**Erika Mechem**/HH/Special Education/1.0 FTE/BA,0/\$37,152/Pending verification & licensure/Replacing Karin Ryan/Effective 2019-2020 school year  
Certified Transfer  
**Carrie Heiting**/From BMS to BHS/German/1.0 FTE/Voluntary transfer replacing Diana Steiner/Effective 7/1/19  
**Mark Kuntz**/BMS/From Math to Health/1.0 FTE/Voluntary transfer replacing Mark Ciha/Effective 7/1/19  
Schedule D Resignation  
**Mark Kuntz**/BMS/Team Leader, 6<sup>th</sup> Grade #3/Effective 6/30/19  
**Larissa Wilden**/BHS/Assistant Varsity Track, Girls Coach/ Effective 5/20/19  
Schedule D Approval to Hire  
**Brett Hutton**/BHS/Head Sophomore Basketball, Boys Coach/\$4,673/ Replacing Alvin Vesey/Effective 8/19/19  
**Kyle Mink**/BMS/Team Leader, 7<sup>th</sup> Grade House/\$2,679/Replacing Kyle Mink/Effective 8/19/19  
Approval of St. Ambrose Student Teaching Agreement  
Fire Alarm Monitoring - Inspections Contract  
Approval of Preschool Contracts

Approval of a tuition application for John Powell III, grade 9, from Davenport  
Approval of Requests for Open Enrollment.

FOR INFORMATION ONLY. The following students have been approved for open enrollment.

2018-2019 Into Bettendorf

Arhum Chaudhary, grade 3, continuation (PV)

Saria Fiaz, grade 5, continuation (PV)

2019-2020 Out of Bettendorf

Dylan Tromp, grade 8, (CAM)

2019-2020 Into Bettendorf

Emma McCorkle, grade 3, sibling (DAV)

Gracelynn Ryden, grade 9, continuation (PV)

Peyton Smith, grade 6, (PV)

4. Shared Communications.

4.01 Board Shared Communication & Committee Reports (audio begins at 12m 53s).

Director Pyevich said the high school graduation was very nice.

Director Lynch mentioned the Policy Committee met and the report is under Discussion Item 5.02.

Director Struck attended one of the Handbook Committee meetings and said it went really well.

Director Champion attended Trial of the Big Bad Wolf at Jefferson and said it was a great experience.

Director Castro visited Neil Armstrong and said it was a nice visit.

Director Castro shared some information on pay scales and comparing our district to surrounding districts.

Director Pyevich commented on the recent math data and said the data supports not getting rid of algebra in 8<sup>th</sup> grade.

President Holland attended the Choir Camp performance. He said it was very well attended. They are looking at doing additional days next year because of the overwhelming interest in it.

4.02 Student Representatives' Report.

There was no student representative report.

4.03 BEA Report.

Loralee Cole said they elected new board members. They are very thankful for Megan Kannenberg and her leadership over the last two years. They have had meetings with all the handbook committees and she said they have gone really well so far.

5. Discussion Items & Reports.

5.01 Pay-it-Forward Project Presentation (audio begins at 25m 46s).

Director of Curriculum, Jillian Dotson, shared information about 5<sup>th</sup> grade pay-it-forward projects. Each school's 5<sup>th</sup> grade classroom received a grant for the projects

5.02 Discussion of First Reading of Policy 207 (audio begins at 32m 44s).

The Policy Review Committee recommended only one change, for clarification and to be in line with IASB recommendations: We clarify that board members other than the President can only contact legal counsel with the approval of a majority of the board. (We change "full board" to "majority of the board.") We understand this to be a clarification only (a majority, not unanimity, is required), not a substantive change.

Several directors had concerns with the new language. The Policy Review Committee will continue to discuss it and bring it back to the board for review.

5.03 Facility Discussion (audio begins at 43m 50s).

Bill Bruce with Bush Construction gave an update on Mark Twain Elementary School.

5.04 Miscellaneous

2020-2021 Employee Handbook Update (audio begins at 52m 53s).

All four handbook committees met. They had productive discussions that provided direction for the next meeting early this fall. Handbooks and new contracts will go into place during the 2020-21 school year.

Satisfaction Survey Discussion (audio begins 56m 28s).

Director of Communications, Celeste Miller, shared information about the district satisfaction survey process and how the information collected is used for district improvement.

In April, Bettendorf Community School District stakeholders were asked to complete a satisfaction survey to help the district better understand how staff, parents, and community feel about BCSD. Participants were asked to rank responses to a series of questions asking what they like about their school and/or the district. The survey results will be used to improve educational services for our students and guide future planning. 97 community surveys, 482 parent surveys and 357 staff surveys were submitted.

Transportation Eligibility.

After the decision was made to consolidate the two elementary buildings, administration is looking at making changes to the transportation policies and protocols. The goal is to review the policies and protocols already in place as well as gather questions and/or

information that can be addressed over the next month that will help determine what, if any, changes will be needed to the policies and protocols that would go into effect January 2020. Directors would like to look at additional pickup points, rethink transportation for choice enrollment students, and analyze administrative transfers when considering transportation costs.

6. Action Item.

6.01 Approval of SAVE Bond - Ahlers & Cooney will provide legal documents for approval.

Motion by Director Lynch, seconded by Director Champion, to approve the SAVE Bond Sales Tax Proposal for 2019.

Ayes: 6 Directors Holland, Lynch, Pyevich, Struck, Castro, Champion

Nays: 0

Absent: 1 Director Staley

Motion carried 6-0-1

7. Management Report.

7.01 Superintendent's Report –School Board Election is on November 5<sup>th</sup>. First day to file is August 26<sup>th</sup> and last day is September 19<sup>th</sup>. Legislative Priorities will be discussed at the next board meeting. They are very similar to this year's.

8. Future Events and Informational Items.

- Wednesday, June 5, Wellness Committee meeting, 3:30 pm, Admin
- Thursday, June 6, Staff Recognition & Appreciation Celebration, 2:00 pm
- Monday, June 10 – Wednesday, June 12, MT/TJ Move
- Monday, June 10, PRC, 5:00 pm
- Monday, June 10, Board Agenda Planning, 6:00 pm
- Thursday, June 13, MT/TJ, Community Sale
- Monday, June 17, BOE meeting, 6:00 pm

9. Adjournment.

Director Castro motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:51 p.m.

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Adam Holland, President

ATTEST:

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Colleen Skolrood, Secretary