

BETTENDORF COMMUNITY SCHOOL DISTRICT  
**BETTENDORF, IOWA**

Unofficial Minutes of the February 19, 2019, 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 February 19, 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, Staley, Struck

Members absent: None

Other officials present: Mike Raso, Superintendent; Dallon Christensen, Director of Finance; Chris Andrus, Director of Operations; Sean McGinn, Director of Technology; Kevin Skillet, BHS Associate Principal; Lisa Reid, BMS Principal; Jayme Olson, BMS Associate Principal; Karen Allison, HH Principal; Lana LaSalle, TJ Principal; John Cain, GW Principal; Will Jefferson, Student Representative; Megan Kannenberg, BEA Representative; David Farmer, Treasurer; Colleen Skolrood, Board Secretary.

2. Agenda Approval.

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

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

Nays: 0

Motion carried 7-0

3. Commendations & Special Invited Guests.

3.01 Student Presentation to the Board - Herbert Hoover. Penny Wars: 5th grade students have been involved in a project to provide packaged meals for hungry children. Fifth grade students shared videos showing how all Hoover students were involved in the project and the next steps the 5th grader class will take.

3.02 BMS Student Presentation – PBIS. BMS Staff & Students presented on PBIS.

4. Comments and Suggestions from Audience.

4.01 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.

Becca Eastman, 835 Hall St., Bettendorf, addressed the board on rebranding Thomas Jefferson and Mark Twain with a new name and mascot.

Todd Wade, 19160 247th Ave., Bettendorf, encouraged the board to seek a path where Mark Twain and Thomas Jefferson communities work together as we move forward and

to seek the input of parents.

5. Consent Agenda.

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

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

Nays: 0

Motion carried 7-0

5.01 Approval of February 4, 2019 Committee of the Whole Minutes

5.02 Approval of January 2019 Financials

5.03 Approval of February 19, 2019 Bills Recommended for Payment

5.04 Approval of Administrative Recommendations – Personnel

Certified Retirement

**Tandy Huber**/HH/Instructional Coach/Effective 6/30/19

**Connie Jeschke**/BMS/Instructional Coach/Effective 6/30/19

Schedule D Resignation

**Katherine Hansen**/BHS/Head Varsity Golf, Boys Coach (0.50)/Effective 6/30/19

Classified Resignation

**Amanda Sullivan**/BMS/Paraeducator/Effective 02/14/19

Recommendation to Hire

**Danica Wessel**/BMS/Paraeducator/\$16.39 per hour/5.75 hours per day/Replacing Tiana Naguina/Effective 02/20/19

Letter of Assignment Modification

**Michelle Meggers**/HH to HH-PN/Paraeducator/Same rate of pay/From 3.0 to 5.75 hours per day/New Position-Student Need at PN/Effective 02/20/19

5.05 Approval of Northwestern College Teaching Field Placement Agreement

5.06 Approval of UNI Cooperative Agreement

5.07 Donation of 407 Flutes that holds a monetary value of \$1000.00 to the Bettendorf Middle Schools band department, from Marilyn Buel, 3925 Deertrail Rd, Bettendorf, IA. 52722

5.08 Donation of \$675.00 to the Best Buddies AMICUS from ORA Orthopedics, P.C. 2300 53rd Ave, STE LL04, Bettendorf, IA. 52722

5.09 Approval of Second & Final Reading of Policies 502.3, 502.3R1, 502.3R2 and 604.6

5.10 Portrait of a Graduate Meeting Report

5.11 Approval of Requests for Open Enrollment

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

Out of Bettendorf 18/19

Brenna Yoder, grade 9, continuation

Adeline Tree, grade 4, continuation

Into Bettendorf 19/20

Jordyn Baughman, grade 11, from PV

Caden Buhr, grade 7, from PV

Julia Caruso, grade K, from NS

Jemma Chandler, grade K, from Dav

Connor Maranda, grade 1, from PV

Joshua Pelzer, grade 10, from PV

Alivia Snow, grade 6, from PV

Out of Bettendorf 19/20

Avery Collins, grade 2, to PV  
Jackson Collins, grade 6, to PV  
Kyler Collins, grade 4 to PV  
Hunter Mapes, grade K, to PV  
Cady Su McCutcheon, grade 12, to Clayton Ridge  
Adeline Trees, grade 4, to PV  
Emmeline Vaughn, grade 2, to PV  
Logan Vidmer, grade 8, to PV  
Brenna Yoder, grade 9, to PV

6. Shared Communication & Committee Reports.

6.01 Board Shared Communication & Committee Reports.

Director Pyevich said there was a nice article in the QC Times on Director Castro. Director Castro was inducted into the Palomar College Hall of Fame in San Marcos, California. He said it is a worthwhile read.

Director Lynch reported there will be a large number of policies up for review in the March cycle. Director Castro noted that some of those policies have to do with curriculum, pilot programs and implementing new strategies. He said we should all pay attention. It was noted that the Bettendorf Middle School Honors Math program will continue in its current form through 2019/20. Discussions regarding the math program will continue to take place.

6.02 Student Representatives' Report.

Will Jefferson gave an update on the latest events and activities at the high school. Director Castro congratulated Will Jefferson on being accepted to West Point Military Academy.

6.03 BEA Report.

The BEA appreciates the board and administrative support in being able to pursue an alternative plan after the extreme number of no school days this winter.

7. Discussion Items.

7.01 Academic Updates on ACT, PSAT, AP (audio begins at 33m 10s).

BHS Counselor Amy Harkson reviewed ACT and PSAT scores. The district continues to score above the national and state average. The five-year trend remains fairly consistent. BHS Associate Principal Kevin Skillet gave an update on AP. AP scores of three or more continue to rise. There was a discussion on the number of students taking AP courses but not taking the exams. It was noted that they are gaining other benefits by taking those courses.

7.02 Curriculum Update: Preschool (audio begins at 59m 40s).

Preschool teachers from Mark Twain, Grant Wood and Thomas Jefferson discussed the guidelines to get into program and shared classroom highlights at each of the buildings.

7.03 Discussion of 2019-2020 PPEL Plan (audio begins at 1h 13m 45s).

Director of Operations Chris Andrus and Director of Technology Sean McGinn updated the board on the 2019-2020 PPEL Expenditure Plan. The bus replacements listed on the plan have already been budgeted. Mr. McGinn discussed increasing the bandwidth to the district's internet connection as well as new firewall equipment.

Total Operations	\$1,795,646
Total Information Technology	\$1,185,000
Total Proposed PPEL	\$2,980,646

7.04 Discussion of Sales Tax Bond Adviser Selection (audio begins at 1h 38m 29s).

This will allow district administration to continue working on the process of securing an engagement letter agreement with Piper Jaffray and to identify the amount of bonding to secure. This does not bind the district to a specific bonding amount.

7.05 Discussion of the 2017-2018 Audit (audio begins at 1h 46m 21s).

Finance Director Christensen reported the 2017-2018 audit was a solid audit with minor procedural findings that have already been addressed with some changes to internal controls.

7.06 Date for Public Hearing - Proposed Budget for next FY 2019 (audio begins at 1h 55m 22s).

A public hearing on the proposed budget for FY 2019 will be scheduled for Monday, April 1, 2019 at 6:00 p.m.

8. Action Items.

8.01 Approval of 2019-2020 Bus Purchases.

Motion by Director Lynch, seconded by Director Struck, to approve the 2019-2020 bus purchases.

Ayes: 7 Directors Holland, Lynch, Pyevich, Staley, Struck, Castro, Champion, Holland  
Nays: 0  
Motion carried 7-0

8.02 Approval of the Sales Tax Bond Adviser.

Motion by Director Lynch, seconded by Director Pyevich, to approve pursuing funding for future facilities projects of an amount not to exceed \$16 million, and to secure an engagement letter for bond issuance with Piper Jaffray.

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

Nays: 0  
Motion carried 7-0

8.03 Approval of 2017-2018 Audit.

Motion by Director Struck, seconded by Director Pyevich, to approve the 2017-2018 Audit.

Director Castro voiced some concerns over a couple of the procedural findings.

Ayes: 6 Directors Pyevich, Staley, Struck, Champion, Holland, Lynch  
Nays: 1 Director Castro  
Motion carried 6-1

8.04 Approval of Public Hearing Date for FY 2019 Certified Budget.

Motion by Director Lynch, seconded by Director Champion, to approve the 2019-2020 certified budget public hearing to be set for Monday, April 1, 2019 at 6:00 pm.

Ayes: 7 Directors Staley, Struck, Castro, Champion, Holland, Lynch, Pyevich  
Nays: 0  
Motion carried 7-0

9. Management Report.

9.01 Superintendent's Report –

- Mark Twain/Thomas Jefferson Parent Meeting will be on February 20<sup>th</sup> at the high school
- The last student day will be on Thursday, June 6<sup>th</sup>.

9.02 Director of Finance's Report – attended the IASB workshop last week. The finance team is in place and doing a great job.

10. Future Events and Informational Items.

- Wednesday, February 20, MT/TJ Parent Meeting, 6:00 pm, BHS Commons
- Monday, February 25, PRC Meeting, 5:00-5:30 pm
- Monday, February 25, Board Agenda Planning 5:30-6:00 pm
- Monday, February 25, Special Board Meeting, 6:00 pm
- Friday, March 1, Kindergarten Round Up
- Monday, March 4, BOE meeting, 6:00 pm

11. Adjournment.

Director Castro motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:02 p.m.

ATTEST:

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Colleen Skolrood, Secretary