

BLAIR-TAYLOR SCHOOL DISTRICT
REGULAR BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING MINUTES
MONDAY JUNE 15th – 5:30 P.M.

President Troy Tenneson called the regular Board of Education meeting to order at 5:30 p.m. Board members present: Troy Tenneson, Michele Steien, Blaine Koxlien, Lindsey Byom, and David Thompson. Absent: Perry Kujak and Neil Kniseley. Also present: Lynn Halverson, Beth Lisowski, Jared McCutchen, Becky Brouillet, Alexandra Jorgenson, Alana Matzke, Lisa Perry, Steven and Diana Jorgenson, Adam Leavitt, and Tatiana Stetzer.

The Pledge of Allegiance recited.

Mission statement - "To educate all learners to reach their potential as productive citizens" read aloud.

Motion by D. Thompson, with second by M. Steien, to approve the agenda. Motion carried.

There were no public comments.

Motion by L. Byom, with second by D. Thompson, to approve May 2026 regular and closed meeting minutes. Motion carried by roll call vote, 5-0.

Motion by D. Thompson, with second by T. Tenneson, to approve bills for the month of May 2026. Motion passed by roll call vote 5-0.

Motion by M. Steien, with a second by L. Byom, to approve the May 2026 financial statement. Motion passed by roll call vote 5-0.

Reports:

Superintendent - Lynn Halverson - Mr. Halverson reported to the board he received a request from Hank Kokke, owner of SSMP to possibly sell some land across from his business for an expansion. Mr. Halverson will bring it to board as a discussion item. Last meeting we had discussed the possibility of moving the graduation ceremony to Friday night instead of Saturday. We did not receive much feedback, so it's recommended to leave it on Saturday. Alexandria Jorgenson and Alaina Matzke discussed their FLBA presentations to the board that earned them the opportunity to participate at FBLA Nationals in San Antonio, Texas.

MS/HS Principal - Beth Lisowski - Mrs. Lisowski updated the board she is working on updates to student handbooks, coop scheduling and middle school scheduling during the summer. We are also working on hiring to have a full staff. In the middle/high school we do not have summer school like the elementary, but there are still a lot of students in the building for the weight room and contact days.

Elementary Principal - Jared McCutchen - Mr. McCutchen shared the successes we had in the elementary. Starting with the CARE room that was implemented this year. Paige Buzler, our CARE Room teacher supported students with each having an individualized support plans. Teachers feel more supported and behaviors have drastically declined. With daily goal monitoring on all students and we have noticed an increase of class participation. Cassie Hammond and Kris Smith have also seen a huge successes in reading interventions as well. In one class achieving over 70% testing as proficient or advanced in ELA.

Special Ed Director - Becky Brouillet - Ms. Brouillet updated options to fill our open elementary education teaching position. She is meeting with CESA 4 next week to review observations during their Special

Education review. Unfortunately, this is Becky's last board meeting. As a board they would like to thank Becky for her 3 years at Blair-Taylor.

Discussion Items:

Mr. Halverson presented a draft of the TVC Governing Board Agreement along with the vision and mission.

Adam Leavitt and Tatiana Stetzer with Stetzer Electric presented the effects of dirty electricity in schools.

Action Items:

Motion by D. Thompson, with a second by L. Byom, to approve Tri Core Insurance for Property Insurance 2026-27. Motion carried by roll call vote, 5-0.

Motion by L. Byom, with a second by D. Thompson, to approve WIAA Membership 2026-27. Motion carried.

Motion by D. Thompson, with a second by M. Steien, to approve the first reading Policy Updates - Vol. 35 No. 1. Motion carried.

Motion by M. Steien, with a second by L. Byom, to approve the Breakfast/Lunch Prices 2026-27. Motion carried by roll call vote, 5-0.

Motion by D. Thompson with a second by L. Byom, to approve the consent agenda items. Those being resignation of Elementary Special Education Teacher, Amber Frederixon, resignation of Spanish Teacher, Katelyn Schade, resignation of Elementary Paraprofessional, Kaitlyn Gunderson, resignation of Family & Consumer Science Education Teacher Kristie Gill, issue contract to Carrie Taysom as a Director of Special Education/Pupil Services, issue contract to Jade Halvensleben as a Middle School Teacher. Motion carried by roll call vote, 5-0.

Motion by D. Thompson, with a second by M. Steien, to move to closed session in accordance with State Statutes 19.85(1)(c) to discuss individual administrative contracts and individual Spring coaches evaluation. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "David Thompson", with a stylized flourish at the end.

David Thompson, Board Clerk