

SCHOOL DISTRICT OF BLAIR-TAYLOR ANNUAL MEETING  
October 26, 2020  
United Campus Auditorium

President Troy Tenneson called the Budget Hearing of the Blair-Taylor School District to order at 6:35 p.m. Present Board Members: Troy Tenneson, Perry Kujak, David Thompson, Sarah Staff, Michele Steien, Jeff Stalheim, Blaine Koxlien. Also in attendance is Jeff Eide, Dana Eide, Lynn Halverson, Katie Belitz, Brenda Olson, Mary Ann Hulett, Lisa Perry, Gwen Kidd, Linda Nereng, Katie Bentz,

Jeff Eide welcomed everyone and thank them for attending the budget presentation and annual meeting.

Superintendent Jeff Eide presented the 2020-21 budget explaining details of the proposed revenues and expenses for all funds and functions, certified tax values and the projected tax levy.

Motion by David Thompson with a second by Sarah Staff to adjourn the budget hearing. Motion passed and budget hearing was adjourned at 7:03 p.m.

Troy Tenneson called the Annual Meeting of the Blair-Taylor School District to order. Motion by Gwen Kidd, with a second by Brenda Olson to nominate Troy Tenneson to chair the meeting. Motion by Gwen Kidd, with a second by Brenda Olson to close nominations and cast a unanimous ballot for Troy Tenneson. Motion carried.

Motion by David Thompson, with a second by Gwen Kidd to approve the 2019 annual meeting minutes and approve them as printed. Motion carried.

Superintendent Jeff Eide reported that the 2019-20 audit has been completed, but the audit report books have not been received yet.

Motion by David. Thompson, with a second by Michele Steien to approve the general fund tax levy of \$2,814,989.00 and debt service tax levy of \$1,388,275.00 for a total district tax levy of \$4,203,264.00. Motion passed.

Motion by Gwen Kidd, with a second by Jeff Stalheim to approve short-term borrowing to maximum of \$500,000, if needed. Motion passed.

#### Building Goals:

Elementary School Improvement goals. – Lynn Halverson, Principal. Shifted our goal from last year to this year. We were not able to have our state assessment due to Covid 19. Goal for our school environment has been met. Mr. Halverson believes we would have achieved that goal even if we did not have to close due to Governor Evers order to shut down.

Middle/High School goals. – Dana Eide – Principal. Just like Principal Halverson stated we were not able to take our state tests this year. So we are unable to get a measure of our state test scores. Also could not measure growth from our STAR tests either. Our goal is to review achievement score and growth STAR tests. We like to have our students be at 80% of advanced/proficient. Looking to other options to measure growth along with the STAR tests.

District Goals:

Superintendent Jeff Eide discussed the district goals for 2020-2021. We continue to increase educational opportunities, with our areas of focus to include career tech education and core academics. As a district we would like to continue to expand our school/business connections and relationships with area businesses in our consortium. Expand collaboration among consortium staff through the foundational practice of Professional Learning Communities. Huge shout out to our curriculum directors! Support and improve academic scores. Enhance building safety and security. Support the referendum and building projects if we do pass the referendum.

Motion by Brenda Olson, with a second by Gwen Kidd that salaries for School Board members remain at \$2,000.00 annual rate, \$40.00 for special meetings, \$80.00 Full Day, \$40.00 for Half Day or evening meeting, and \$200 per year for committee meetings. Motion passed.

Motion by Jeff Stalheim, with a second by Michele Steien to authorize the purchase of textbooks and software for the 2020-21 school year.

Motion by Brenda Olson, with a second by David Thompson to keep the districts depositories as Waumandee State Bank, Jackson County Bank (Taylor Branch) and Local Government Investment Pool as the district depositories for the 2020-21 school year. Motion carried.

Motion by Mary Ann Hulett, with a second by David Thompson to designate the school newsletter, school website and Facebook page, WWIS and WHTL radio stations, and School Messenger as official news sources for the 2019-20 school year. All required legal notices will be sent to both Trempealeau County Times and the Banner Journal. Motion passed.

Motion by David Thompson, with a second by Jeff Stalheim to authorize the board to establish and set the date and time for the 2021 Budget and Annual Meeting to be October 25<sup>th</sup>. Motion passed.

Motion by Brenda Olson, with a second by Gwen Kidd to adjourn the annual meeting. Motion carried and the meeting was adjourned at 7:34 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



David Thompson, Clerk.