

Blair-Taylor School District
Regular Board of Education Meeting Minutes
Monday, December 21st, - 5:30

President Troy Tenneson called the Regular Board of Education meeting to order at 5:30 p.m. Board members present: Troy Tenneson, Sarah Staff, Blaine Koxlien, Jeff Stalheim, and Perry Kujak Absent: David Thompson and Michele Steien. Also present were Jeff Eide, Lynn Halverson, Katie Belitz, and Dana Eide. Meeting also live streamed on Wildcat TV.

Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

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

Motion by S. Staff, with a second by J. Stalheim to approve the agenda. Motion carried.

No public comment tonight.

Motion by J. Stalheim, with a second by S. Staff to approve November 2020 regular meeting and closed meeting minutes. Motion carried.

Motion by P. Kujak, with a second by S. Staff to approve bills for the month of November. Motion carried by roll call vote. 5-0.

Motion by J. Stalheim, with a second by P. Kujak to approve the financial statement for November. Motion carried by roll call vote. 5-0.

Reports:

Superintendent - Jeff Eide - Mr. Eide is currently working with Lien-Peterson, Jurowski Construction, some teachers, and committee members for the best plan to move forward with the referendum project. There is an adjustment made to the daycare drop off plan for safety reasons. Projected completion dates are: Daycare - December, 2021, 6th grade classrooms/live skills room - August 2, 2021, Business Education Room - August 2, 2021, Health Bathroom - August 2, 2021, Baseball Field - No specific timeline at this time. We are releasing the bid package by 2/4 to be submitted by 2/25.

Elementary Principal - Lynn Halverson - Huge thank you to Mrs. Gappa for recording each elementary grade level separately to have a winter concert. This concert will be aired on Wildcat TV. Another thank you to our school counselors, Mrs. Walters, Mr. Van Schyndle, and Ms. Kyes. They coordinated with area donations to provide gifts for 63 students in our district to help with the Christmas season. State assessment Forward exam is still scheduled to take place this year. PBIS behavior data comparison was presented. Overall major/minors given last year were 413, while this year are 205. Extremely proud our district hit 2 milestones so far this year in being able to have in person classes through Thanksgiving and now to Christmas break.

Middle/High Principal - Dana Eide - Huge thank you to Mrs. Hulne & Mr. Witz for recording a handbells concert which was aired on Wildcat TV. Huge thank you to Mr. Storlie for all the hard work with the multiple sporting event changes. Huge thank you to our school nurse, Mrs. Semb for all her hard work with contact tracing. At this time, the ACT aspire (10th grade) & ACT (11th grade) are planned to take place. Ms. Britta Rotering is continuing to work with our coop to offer many different opportunities to expand our class options.

Special Education Director - Katie Belitz - During a mental health screening, it was found 2 of 3 students screened reported themselves as struggling. Due to this information, the co-op decided to complete a

mental health video which will be aired on the district's facebook page. As of today, we can offer the students tele-counseling.

Action Items:

Motion by S. Staff, with a second by P. Kujak, to approve Austin Goergen for the Technology Education Teacher. Motion carried by roll call vote. 5-0.

Motion by J. Stalheim, with a second by S. Staff to approve Paige Stendahl's resignation. Motion carried by roll call vote. 5-0.

Motion by J. Stalheim with a second by P. Kujak to approve the second reading of Policies Volume 29 #1 & #2. Motion carried.

Motion by S. Staff , with a second by P. Kujak to move to closed session in accordance with State Statute 19.85(1)(c) to discuss administrative evaluation/survey/survey google doc, contracts, compensation model. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "David Thompson".

David Thompson, Clerk