

BLAIR-TAYLOR DISTRICT

REGULAR BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING MINUTES

MONDAY, JULY 24th – 5:30 P.M.

President Troy Tenneson called the regular Board of Education meeting to order at 5:30 p.m. Board members present: Sarah Staff, Troy Tenneson, David Thompson, Perry Kujak, Michele Steien, and Blaine Koxlien. Absent: Neil Kniseley. Also present: Lynn Halverson and Becky Brouillet. Beth Lisowski attended virtually. Meeting also on Wildcat TV.

The Pledge of Allegiance recited.

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

Motion by S. Staff, with a second by M. Steien to approve the agenda. Motion carried.

Public comment

Motion by D. Thompson, with second by P. Kujak, to approve June 2023 regular and closed meeting minutes. Motion carried..

Motion by M. Steien with second by S. Staff to approve bills for the month of June 2023. Motion passed by roll call vote 6-0.

Motion by D. Thompson with second by M. Steien to approve the June 2023 financial statement. Motion passed by roll call vote 6-0.

Reports:

Superintendent - Lynn Halverson - Mr. Halverson introduced the TVC 2 schools youth apprentice coordinator, Kara Bradley. Mrs. Bradley presented to the board what the youth apprentice program looks like for Blair-Taylor. Mr. Halverson and the board took a walk around the building to show all the building maintenance updates completed so far. Those updates being the remodeled 4k room, removal of sinks in Ms. Monson's room, and the refinishing of both gym floors.

Elementary Principal - Beth Lisowski - The elementary is entering our final week of summer school. The entire summer school program has been very successful. We plan to run this very similarly next year with only a few minor adjustments. We are expecting our enrollment to increase. Beginning of August we will have our registration for our before/after school program. We would like to have around 40 enrolled students.

Special Ed Director - Becky Brouillet - Mrs. Brouillet mentioned she is scheduling a professional development day with the special ed. staff to look at trauma informed care. This next year's special ed. is in a self assessment year. So we will be reviewing IEP's and writing their goals with them. She has put together a team to meet in early August.

Discussion Items:

Track Maintenance/Repair - Mr. Halverson presented another quote for the track repairs. A new bid from Fisher Tracks for the removal, hauling off-site, and the installation is roughly \$40,000 less than the Pro Track & Tennis quote. In addition, Fisher Track would find subcontracting if needed. While we would need to find our own subcontractor with Pro Track and Tennis. According to the representative from Fisher Tracks, at this time our track is not in bad shape and feels there are no liability issues. However, updates will need to be done within the next few years.

Action Items:

Motion by M. Steien, with a second by S. Staff, to approve the Child Care Center Parent Handbook as presented. Motion carried.

Motion by D. Thompson, with a second by M. Steien, to approve the 2023-24 Elementary Family Handbook. Motion carried.

Motion by D. Thompson, with a second by P. Kujak, to approve the 2023-24 Middle/High Student Handbook and Code of Conduct. Motion carried.

Motion by S. Staff, with a second by M. Steien, to approve Axis Teletherapy Contract for the 23-24 school year at \$85.00 per hour, 40 hours a week. Motion carried by roll call vote, 6-0.


Consent Agenda:

Motion by M. Steien, with a second by D. Thompson, to approve consent agenda items which include contract for Elementary Art Teacher - Patrick Sullivan, resignation of Instructional Coach Mandy Swenson, resignation of assistant football coach, Cole Van Schyndel, resignation of dance team co-coach, Hilary Walters, contract for Elementary Admin Assistant, Lindsay Burgau, resignation of Middle/High School Principal, Dana Eide. With appreciation to Mandy and Dana Motion carried by roll call vote, 6-0.

Motion by D. Thompson, with a second by P. Kujak, to move to closed session in accordance with State Statute 19.85(1)(c), to discuss middle/high school principal candidates. Motion carried.

Motion by P. Kujak, with a second by B. Koxlien, to adjourn. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,


David Thompson, Clerk