

BLAIR-TAYLOR SCHOOL DISTRICT  
REGULAR BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING MINUTES  
MONDAY, September 17, 2018 – 5:30 P.M.

President T. Tenneson called the regular Board of Education meeting to order at 5:30 p.m. Board members present: S. Staff, F. Aleckson, D. Thompson, B. Koxlien, P. Kujak, T. Tenneson, and M. Steien. Also present: J. Eide, L. Halverson, D. Eide, Katie Belitz, D. Karl, L. George, R. Storlie, K. Tenneson, Abby Sacia, and Lee Henschel.

Mission statement – “To educate all learners to reach their potential as productive citizens” was read aloud.

Motion by F. Aleckson second by S. Staff to approve the agenda. Motion passed.

No public comments.

Motion by M. Steien with second by D. Thompson to approve the August 20, 2018 regular and closed meeting minutes. Motion passed by roll call vote 7-0.

Motion by F. Aleckson with second by P. Kujak to approve bills for month of August. August bills include payroll advice of deposits #30350-30404, payroll checks #58251-58253, expense checks #59930-60084, #15401 #523-525, #3370-3371, employer paid HSA contributions \$250.00 and employee-paid HSA contributions of \$190. Motion passed by roll call vote 7-0.

Motion by D. Thompson with second by F. Aleckson to approve August Financial Statement. Motion passed 7-0 by roll call vote.

Reports:

Superintendent’s report by Jeff Eide: There is a WASB Regional meeting on Sept. 26, 2018. F. Aleckson, M. Steien and S. Staff will be attending with J. Eide. Thank you note to the District from the Olson family was read aloud. Keith Lien will be presented a service award for his time devoted to the school community. Keith was unable to attend and will be presented at a later date. TVO 2.0 Governing Board meeting schedule for the school year—both Governing Board, and Joint Consortium Board meetings are posted. All meetings will be held in the corresponding high school. Upcoming Annual Meeting and Special Meeting dates may need to change to Oct 23<sup>rd</sup>, rather than Oct 22. Final date will be determined shortly.

Lynn Halverson-Elementary Principal report: Best start of new school year. Very smooth. Three new elementary staff members: School improvement results and future goals increasing proficiency in ELA and math were presented.

Dana Eide-High School Principal report: High Schools achievement goals will be rolled out at a later date. There are a number of assessments/surveys/testing occurring yet this fall. On-line orientation was used by 2/3 of high school students. Homecoming week is underway, variety of activities including bonfire. Band and choir will be having separate concerts this year. Blair-Taylor currently does not have an Alma Mater. Dean Witz, vocal music teacher is currently developing one. Dairyland Conference Basketball schedule may be revised, with last conference games

having a multi-team tournament format. R. Storlie, Athletic Director elaborated. Goal is to allow more time before playoff games.

Katie Belitz-School Psychologist: Introduced two new staff members. Lindsay George, Grades 3-4 Elementary Special Education teacher, originally from Albert Lea, MN and Dessa Karl, originally from Neillsville, is the new M.S./H.S. Social Studies teacher. New staff welcomed.

Action Items:

Motion by S. Staff with second by M. Steien to approve Sharing Table as presented by K. Tenneson, food service director This is a designated area where unopened, pre-packaged food items that students do not want and students that are still hungry can have free additional food items. Process is approved by DPI and will reduce waste. Motion carried by roll call vote 7-0.

Motion by D. Thompson with second by PI Kujak to approve BTSD Athletic Code. Athletic code changes and upcoming WIAA Code changes were reviewed with R. Storlie-Athletic Director. Motion carried by roll call vote 7-0.

Motion by M. Steien with second by S. Staff to approve substitute teacher pay increase to \$120 per day. Motion carried by roll call vote 7-0.

Motion by F. Aleckson with second by M. Steien to approve Brad Becker, C-team volley ball coach. Motion carried by roll call vote 7-0.

Motion by F. Aleckson with second by S. Staff to approve resignation of Elem. Phy. Ed. Teacher, Jeremy Hanson. Motion carried by roll call vote 7-0.

Motion by M. Steien with second by S. Staff to approve hiring of Elem. Phy. Ed Teacher, Scott Hovell. Motion carried by roll call vote 7-0.

Motion by D. Thompson with second by S. Staff to accept sealed high bid of \$2,520.00 for the 2007 Chevy Malibu. Eight bids were opened, second highest bid at \$2,501.99. Motion carried by roll call vote 7-0.

Superintendent Jeff Eide presented the preliminary 2018-19 budget. Revenues were estimated to be \$7,473,827 and expenses \$7,713,577.

Motion by S. Staff with second by D. Thompson to move to closed session at 7:30 p.m. in accordance with State Statute 19.85 (1) (c) to approve spring sports, winter sports & co-curricular contracts, Special Education Director/School Psychologist Contract, Fund 21, Compensation Model Value. Motion carried by roll call vote 7-0.

Motion by S. Staff with second by M. Steien to move back into open session. Motion carried by roll call vote 7-0.

Motion by M. Steien with second by F. Aleckson to approve Football & Basketball Cheerleading coaches Nicole Lien & Amy Schultz, Head Drama-Cheri Omernick and Asst. Drama-Karla Hulne. Motion carried by roll call vote 7-0.

Motion by M. Steien with second by S. Staff to approve spring coaching contracts for the following sports: Brad Becker-Head Track, Alexandra Olson-Assistant Track, Alan Lien-Assistant Track, Greg Bratina-Head Softball, Kimberly Nehring-Assistant Softball, Seth Dale-Head Baseball, Hank Kujak-Assistant Baseball, Jennifer Lien-Middle School Track, Marcos Cecenas Lerma-Assistant Middle School Track, and Jesse Lien-Head Boys Golf. Motion carried by roll call vote 7-0.

Motion by S. Staff, second by D. Thompson to approve 2018-19 contract for Katie Belitz as Special Education Director and School Psychologist. Motion carried by roll call vote 7-0.

Motion by S. Staff with second by D. Thompson to adjourn. Motion carried by roll call vote 7-0 and meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Fern Aleckson, Clerk