

BLAIR-TAYLOR SCHOOL DISTRICT
REGULAR BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING MINUTES
MONDAY, NOVEMBER 21, 2016 – 5:30 P.M.

President T. Tenneson called the regular Board of Education meeting to order at 5:30 p.m. Board members present: B. Koxlien, P. Kujak, K. Lien, D. Smikrud, D. Thompson, and T. Tenneson. Absent: Fern Aleckson. Also present: J. Eide, D. Eide, L. Halverson, Katie Belitz, Lee Henschel, and Fred Nehring.

Official Oath of Office was read by newly-appointed Board member David Smikrud.

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

No public comments.

Motion by K. Lien with second by P. Kujak to approve minutes of the October 24th regular meeting, closed session, special meeting, and bills for month of October. October bills include payroll advice of deposits #25770-25980, payroll checks #58044-58059, money wires #95, #246 and #476-478, #3326-3327, expense checks #15315-15322, #57253-57404, and employee-paid HSA contributions of \$1,812.72. Motion passed by roll call vote with all members voting yes.

Motion by P. Kujak with second by D. Thompson to approve the October financial statement. Motion passed by roll call vote with all members voting yes.

Reports:

Student Council by Amber Lambright: Middle school Halloween Dance held October 28th was well attended. Have been approving several fundraisers for various school organizations.

Superintendent by Jeff Eide: Congratulations to Fern Aleckson, who was named Rural School Board Member of the Year by the Wisconsin Rural Schools Alliance! Roofing bids are being submitted by Tranberg Roofing and All State Roofing. Bidding will be done by wing sections to allow for the option of partial roof replacement. The option of foam insulation is also being checked out, as this could be more energy efficient. Electrical and air conditioning energy saving measures were discussed such as LED lights could save \$13,000/year and having one chiller air conditioning unit rather than the current ones. Request to obtain estimated cost for air conditioning the elementary gymnasium.

Elementary Principal by Lynn Halverson: Weekly update will be emailed to all parents and put on Facebook to improve communications between school and parents. Have started student of the month selections.

Middle/High School Principal by Dana Eide: All winter sports are in full swing having a record low number of ineligible students from first quarter grades. Handouts with upcoming music performance dates and first quarter honor roll students were shared.

Discussion:

F. Aleckson and K. Lien will attend the WASB Convention on January 18-20, 2017.

Four-school in-service on November 7th went well. Will be meeting with all incoming juniors and seniors to explain courses. There have been some questions among teachers about who is teaching what.

Finance/Property/Transportation Committee will meet on Wednesday, December 7th at 5:30 p.m.

Policy Committee will meet on Thursday, December 1st at 5:30 p.m.

Replacement of football scoreboard (costing minimum of \$13,000) will be an action item on next month's agenda. Possible funding sources were discussed.

Action Items:

Motion by T. Tenneson with second by K. Lien to nominate Fern Aleckson as delegate for WASB Convention. Motion passed unanimously. Motion by P. Kujak with second by D. Smikrud to nominate Keith Lien as alternate delegate for WASB Convention. Motion passed unanimously.

Motion by D. Thompson with second by D. Smikrud to approve Jesse Lien as boy's golf coach for 2017 season. Motion passed by roll call vote with all members voting yes and K. Lien abstaining. Whitehall Golf Course will waive the green fees, but ask students to participate in clean-up day.

Motion by D. Smikrud with second by K. Lien to move to closed session in accordance with State Statute 19.85 (1) (c) to discuss credit value +24 credits, administrative compensation, and personnel concern.

Motion by D. Thompson with second by D. Smikrud to reconvene in open session. Motion passed unanimously.

Motion by P. Kujak with second by D. Thompson to approve \$3,000 increase for Superintendent's salary, \$2,800 increase for Middle/High School Principal's salary, and \$2,800 for Elementary Principal's salary. Motion passed by roll call vote with all members voting yes.

Motion by D. Thompson with second by K. Lien that teachers who have more than 24 credits beyond a Master's Degree or Bachelor's Degree and have been teaching in the Blair-Taylor School District for more than 15 years will receive value compensation for these credits providing these credits pertain to the subject area in which they are teaching. Motion passed by roll call vote with all members voting yes.

Motion by D. Smikrud with second by T. Tenneson to adjourn. Motion carried and meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Fern Aleckson, Clerk