

BLAIR-TAYLOR SCHOOL DISTRICT
REGULAR BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING MINUTES
MONDAY, JUNE 15, 2015 – 5:30 P.M.

President D. Smikrud called the regular Board of Education meeting to order at 5:30 p.m. Board members present: F. Aleckson, B. Koxlien, P. Kujak, K. Lien, D. Smikrud, and T. Tenneson. Absent: R. Arneson. Also present: J. Eide, D. Eide, M. Thomley, Lee Henschel, and Fred Nehring.

Mission statement was read aloud.

No public comments.

Motion by F. Aleckson, seconded by T. Tenneson to approve the open/closed meeting minutes for May regular meeting, June 2 special meeting, and May bills. Bills for May include payroll checks #57916-57923, payroll advice of deposits #22372-22601, money wires #229, #442-443, #3292-3293, expense checks #15191-15196, #55274-55386, and #500255-500257. Motion passed by roll call vote with all members voting yes.

Motion by P. Kujak, seconded by F. Aleckson to approve the May financial statement. Motion passed by roll call vote with all members voting yes.

No Student Council report.

No Technology report.

Legislative Report by J. Eide: Shared letters from Tony Evers to Wisconsin parents and from CESA #4 (on behalf of area superintendents) to community members about advocating for public schools. Many educators and parents are continuing to speak out in support of Wisconsin public schools. D Smikrud asked how the CESA letter gets sent out to the parents.

J. Eide's Report: Building of storage/maintenance shed has begun and will be completed by September 15th. Working on finishing 2014-15 fiscal year and starting budget for 2015-16 year. Health insurance rates will be presented next month.

M. Thomley's Report: DPI has approved our Summer Food Service Program. DPI will do inspection on July 3rd. News article will be printed in this week's Blair Press and signs will be posted. Teachers worked on June 16th-17th looking at student data and attendance. First two-week session of summer school starts on June 22nd with 159 students currently signed up. No progress report on the wildlife area.

D. Eide's Report: Summer school started today with higher numbers this year. Would like to possibly provide transportation for students next year. Since students cannot make up credits during the school year, summer school is a requirement. Teachers are doing some professional development work this summer.

Motion by D. Smikrud, seconded by F. Aleckson to approve 66:0301 contract with Gale-Ettrick-Trempealeau School District for 2015-16 School Psychologist services. Motion passed by roll call vote with all members voting yes.

Motion by F. Aleckson, seconded by K. Lien to approve 2015-16 contracts for Melissa Massman, 7-12 Agriculture teacher and FFA advisor. Motion passed by roll call vote with all members voting yes.

Motion by P. Kujak, seconded by K. Lien to approve 2015-16 contracts for William Hinman, 7-12 Spanish teacher and Spanish Club advisor. Motion passed by roll call vote with all members voting yes.

Motion by K. Lien, seconded by F. Aleckson to approve extra-curricular contract for Mandy McDonald, Football Cheerleading advisor. Motion passed by roll call vote with five Board members voting yes and T. Tenneson abstaining.

Motion by D. Smikrud, seconded by K. Lien to approve 14 Open Enrollment in applications for 2015-16 school year. 10 of these applicants will definitely be attending Blair-Taylor and four are not definite. Motion passed by roll call vote with all members voting yes.

Motion by F. Aleckson, seconded by T. Tenneson to move to closed session at 6:00 p.m. in accordance with State Statute 19.85 (1) (c) (e) for compensation model discussion, bus contract committee negotiations presentation, personnel issues, dance team coaching contract, elementary bathroom improvements costs/potential bids. Motion passed by roll call vote with all members voting yes.

Meeting was reconvened to open session. D. Smikrud announced that motion was made, seconded, and passed to split the dance team coaching contract into two seasons – football and basketball. Contract was approved for Jennifer Hessler as Football Dance Team coach.

Motion by F. Aleckson, seconded by P. Kujak to adjourn. Motion carried and meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Fern Aleckson, Clerk