

BLAIR-TAYLOR SCHOOL DISTRICT
REGULAR BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING MINUTES
MONDAY, FEBRUARY 18, 2019 – 5:30 p.m.

President Troy Tenneson called the regular Board of Education meeting to order at 5:30 p.m. Board members present: David Thompson, Blaine Koxlien, Troy Tenneson, Michele Steien and Perry Kujak. Also present Jeffrey Eide, Lynn Halverson, Dana Eide, Katie Belitz, Bryce Dokkestuel, Gwen Kidd, and Dean Witz.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

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

Motion by D. Thompson, with second by P. Kujak to approve the agenda. Motion passed 5-0 by roll call vote.

There were no public comments.

Motion by M. Steien, with second by D. Thompson to approve January 2019 regular and closed meeting minutes. Motion passed 5-0 by roll call vote.

Motion by D. Thompson, with second by M. Steien to approve bills for the month of January 2019. January bills include payroll advice of deposits #31217-31422, payroll checks #58296-58298, expense checks #60568-60760, #273, #534-535, #801, #3381-3382, #15410, and employee paid HSA contributions of \$1,835, and employer paid HSA contributions of \$72,000.00. Motion passed 5-0 by roll call vote.

Motion by D. Thompson, with second by P. Kujak to approve January 2019 financial statement. Motion passed 5-0 by roll call vote.

Reports:

Jeff Eide-Superintendent. Brief report on the 2018-19 school schedule and the instructional time deficit needed to be made up related to the excessive weather related closings this year. Goal in revised schedule is to not extend into the second week of June.

Lynn Halverson-Elementary Principal report. Parent-teacher conferences underway. Next week testing for reading will occur on Tuesday and Thursday. March 1, 2019 will be the Bruce Mound PBIS event for grades 2-6. All other elementary students will have events at school.

Dana Eide-High School Principal report. Principal Eide introduced Dean Witz, choral instructor who presented his ideas for 2019-20 choral events and changes based on student choices to keep students interested and engaged. Goal is to grow student and public involvement. ACT Testing for juniors is scheduled for Wednesday, Feb 20th. Students recently attended ACT Boot Camp to help them prepare for the testing. First semester Wallapooza event recognized the efforts of students, by students, as character strong. Achievements of the sports teams were recognized.

Katie Belitz-Special Education Director: Weather delays caused Child Development Days to be re-scheduled for Thursday, February 27th. Working on kindness mission incorporated as a game with younger students.

Discussion Items:

J. Eide and M. Steien brought up the idea of using a consent agenda for items that are normal and customary items to save time and have them all included as a single motion, rather than treating them as all individual agenda items. It would be a more efficient use of time for the board.

Staff Recognition Board. J. Eide presented the newest version of the recognition board. Final version should be ready for approval at the next board meeting.

Action Items:

Motion by D. Thompson, second by M. Steien to approve the 2019-2020 school calendar. Motion carried by roll call vote 5-0.

Motion by M. Steien, second by D. Thompson to approve resignation/retirement of Jean Stenberg, speech and language instructor after 36 years with the Blair-Taylor School District. Motion passed by roll call vote 5-0.

Motion by P. Kujak, second by M. Steien to approve resignation/retirement of Thelma (TJ) Barth, Title 1 instructor/coordinator after 16 years with the Blair-Taylor School District. Motion passed by roll call vote 5-0.

Motion by M. Stein, second by D. Thompson to approve the AGR report. Motion passed by roll call vote 5-0.

Motion by D. Thompson, second by P. Kujak to move to closed session at 6:46 p.m. in accordance with State Statute 19.85(1)(c)(f) to discuss compensation model, fall extra-curricular contracts, staffing needs for 2019-2020 school year, a personnel concern, elementary principal survey review, graduation concern, paraprofessional contracts/snow days and contracted in-service time. Motion passed by roll call vote to move into closed session.

Motion by P. Kujak, second by D. Thompson to move back into open session. Motion carried.

Motion by P. Kujak, second by M. Steien to approve all fall extra-curricular contracts: Andrew Nehring-Head Football, Seth Dale-Assistant Football, Mac Bowen-Assistant Football, Jeffrey Eide-Assistant Football, Greg Bratina-Middle School Football, Justin Shramek-Assistant Middle School Football, Jessica Kish-Head Volleyball, Cassie Geary-Assistant Volleyball, Bradley Becker-Freshman (C-Team) Volleyball, Baleigh Kehe-Middle School Volleyball, Catherine Slenczka-Assistant Middle School Volleyball, Alexandra Olson-Head Cross Country, Jared Peterson-Assistant M.S. Cross Country, Nichole Lien & Amy Schultz-Football Cheerleading Advisors.. Motion passed by roll call vote 5-0.

Motion by D. Thompson, second by M. Steien to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried and meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,



Dave Thompson, Clerk