

BLAIR-TAYLOR SCHOOL DISTRICT
REGULAR BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING MINUTES
MONDAY, MAY 20, 2019 – 5:30 P.M.

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

Pledge of Allegiance recited.

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

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

Public comments none.

Motion by D. Thompson with second by J. Stalheim to approve minutes of the April 2019 regular and closed meetings. Motion passed by roll call vote 6-0.

Motion by D. Thompson with second by J. Stalheim to approve bills for the month of April. April bills include payroll advice of deposits #31859-32069, payroll checks #58324--58343, money wires #275, #540-541, #803, #3387-3388, expense checks #15414, 154115, #60987-#61113, and employee-paid HSA contributions of \$1,885.00. Motion passed by roll call vote 6-0.

Motion by M. Steien with second by D. Thompson to approve the April Financial Statement. Motion passed by roll call vote 6-0.

Reports:

Jeff Eide – Update on TVC 2.0: S. Staff will be representing Blair-Taylor School District. TVC 2.0, recently held a business-to-business meeting with leaders in the tri-county area, opening dialog on how schools can assist meeting the business needs. This was an initial meeting with good discussion. Additional meeting will be dates TBD. Ashley Innovation Center currently set up similar to mobile skills lab. Arcadia students will have access to the Center, allowing lab to move to the three remaining schools. Extended direct access and eliminating a winter move will be beneficial to all. Insurance claim for the water damage to the gym floor filed, roof leak repaired, gym floor scheduled for repairs with entire floor sanded and re-painted early this summer.

Dana Eide. H.S. Principal: Senior awards ceremony well attended. Total scholarships awarded in excess of \$225,000. Exit interviews next week, which is a board requirement. Open invitation to attend the interviews. M. Steien suggested inviting the organizations and individuals providing scholarships to the exit interviews next year. Colin Berg, H.S. student presented his request that the School Board support his request to start at HOSA organization, which would be a multi-school chapter with Mrs. Gill as the advisor if approved. Organization focused on health and health related careers. Paige Subra, H.S. student presented the screenplay she wrote, with her request to organize and perform the play this fall. Outline plot, props, setting provided. Upon request, the entire script would be available for the Board to consider the request.

Lynn Halverson - Elementary Principal: Elementary carnival raised over \$3,015. Sixth grade ran the early events, which they seemed to enjoy and significantly eased the workload for the

volunteers. The track team finished the events later in the day. Ashley Foundation has now donated the VEX robots once all elementary students were exposed to their use. Sixth Grade DARE graduation had a K-9 demonstration, with six squad cars for students to meet the officers, ask questions about their cars and equipment. May 24, grades 3-5 concert, June 4, Kindergarten graduation, June 6, Kindergarten roundup, and June 7, last day of school. Continuing to work on revised staffing with new school calendar.

Katie Belitz - School Psychologist: Community wellness event held after the color run, sandwiches provided to those in attendance. Four stations including mock bedroom, mental health, online safety, and intruder/safety drills. Event held at all three districts (Blair, Whitehall, Independence), funded by Mental Health Grant.

Remote demonstration by Skyward of the Financial Module, and the current Alio software.

Action Items:

Motion by M. Steien with second by D. Thompson to approve Hanson Consulting IT contract. Motion passed by roll call vote 6-0.

Motion by M. Steien with second by S. Staff to approve open enrollment into the District for 2019-2020. Motion passed by roll call vote 6-0.

Motion by J. Stalheim, with second by D. Thompson to approve WIAA membership. Motion passed by roll call vote 6-0.

Motion by D. Thompson with second by S. staff to approve Skyward finance/employee portal purchase, conditioned on secure access security questions answered. Motion passed by roll call vote 6-0.

Motion by M. Steien with second by J. Stalheim to approve purchase new basketball uniforms earlier than five year rotation. Motion passed by roll call vote 6-0.

Motion by M. Steien with second by J. Stalheim to approve the 2019-20 Audit Contract with Johnson Block. Motion passed by roll call vote 6-0.

Motion by J Stalheim with second by D. Thompson to approve resignation of Kensie Larson. Motion passed by roll call vote 6-0.

Motion by M. Steien with second by D. Thompson to approve Special Education contract for Haylei Wood. Motion passed by roll call vote 6-0.

Motion by D. Thompson with second by S. Staff to move to closed session at 7:02 p.m. in accordance with State Statute 19.85 (1) (c) to personnel concern, special education position / needs, extracurricular and winter sports contracts, teacher compensation discussion/model and staff letters of intent, bookkeeper contract and administrative contracts. Motion passed unanimously.

Motion by J. Stalheim, second by D. Thompson to move back into open session.

Motion by D. Thompson, second J. Stalheim to approve bookkeeping contract for 2019-2020 & 2020-2021. Motion passed by roll call vote 6-0.

Motion by M. Steien, second by S. Staff to approve extracurricular contracts 2019-2020. Motion passed by roll call vote 5-0, with one abstained vote.

Motion by D. Thompson, second by S. Staff to approve letters of intent for teaching and support staff for 2019-2020. Motion passed by roll call vote 5-0, with one abstained vote.

Motion by M. Steien, second by D. Thompson to approve Katheryn Schafer special education teaching contract. Motion passed by roll call vote 6-0.

Motion by M. Steien, second by S. Staff to adjourn meeting. Motion passed by roll call vote 6-0. Meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "David Thompson", with a long, sweeping horizontal stroke extending to the right.

David Thompson, Clerk