

BLAIR-TAYLOR SCHOOL DISTRICT
REGULAR BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING MINUTES

MONDAY, JUNE 19th – 5:30 P.M

President Troy Tenneson called the regular Board of Education meeting to order at 5:30 p.m. Board members present: Troy Tenneson, Sarah Staff, David Thompson, Michele Steien, and Neil Kniseley. Blaine Koxlien arrived after the meeting started. Absent: Perry Kujak. Also present: Lynn Halverson, Dana Eide, Beth Lisowski, Katie Belitz, Emily Becker, and Courtney Stearns. Meeting also on Wildcat TV.

The 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 N. Kniseley, to approve the agenda. Motion carried.

No Public comment given tonight.

Motion by D. Thompson, with second by M. Steien, to approve May 2023 regular and closed meeting minutes. Motion carried.

Motion by M. Steien, with second by N. Kniseley, to approve bills for the month of May 2023. Motion passed by roll call vote 5-0.

Motion by N. Kniseley, with a second by D. Thompson, to approve the May 2023 financial statement. Motion passed by roll call vote 5-0.

Reports:

Superintendent - Lynn Halverson - Mr. Halverson presented Mrs. Perry's annual concession stand report. In the last 8 years, students working in the concession stand have earned \$64,856.68 for their organizations. Mrs. Perry also had 38 students receive their Microsoft certifications and 11 students earning dual credits with Western Technical College. Mr. Halverson gave an update of Governor Evers 2023-2025 Biennial budget. The low ceiling amount was raised to \$11,000 instead of \$10,000.00. This will have a positive impact on our district. Meaning we are highly likely to levy less than originally planned for our referendum. Mr. Halverson would like to move the July meeting from July 17th to the 24th.

MS/HS Principal - Dana Eide - Mrs. Eide reported that 24 students participated in credit recovery summer school. She also updated the board on the middle/high school 3rd trimester attendance, students with all passing grades, and students without referral results. Ashton Kohel has written a play and would like to have it performed next school year. Mrs. Eide presented each board member a copy for review.

Elementary Principal - Beth Lisowski - Mrs. Lisowski reported summer school began last week. This year it will be held Tuesday & Wednesday each week for the next 6 weeks. She had over

150 students participate during the first week. They have been busy engaging in enrichment activities like visiting a tree and shrub facility, strawberry picking, attending an Eau Claire Express baseball game and riding on the Wisconsin Dells Duck Boats. The Northern Family Farms donated 8 maple trees. The students then planted them around the elementary playground.

Special Education Director - Katie Belitz- Ms. Belitz is finalizing any school year items to be completed before her last day.

Discussion items:

Mr. Halverson discussed the school fees and technology fees the district charges our families. He would like to maintain the \$5.00 technology fee for the elementary school and to decrease the middle/high school fees from \$20 for the first child, \$10 for each additional child in the family to \$10.00 for the first child then \$5.00. Last school year we collected \$640 in class fees for art class, fabrics, food or woods class. Mr. Halverson would like to reduce technology fees, remove class fees, and remove the DNR certification fees like ATV and snowmobile safety, ect fees.

Action Items:

Motion by D. Thompson, with a second by S. Staff, to approve AGR End-of-Year Report. Motion carried.

Motion by N. Kniseley, with a second by M. Steien, to approve Self-Funded Dental Insurance. Motion carried by roll call vote, 6-0.

Motion by D. Thompson, with a second by S. Staff, to approve opening a checking account at Waumandee State Bank for the self funded dental Insurance. Motion carried by roll call vote, 6-0.

Motion by M. Steien, with a second by D. Thompson, to approve WIAA Membership Renewal. Motion carried.

Motion by M. Steien, with a second by S. Staff to amend the WIAA Membership Renewal to include boys wrestling. Motion carried.

Motion by D. Thompson, with a second by N. Kniseley, to approve early graduation requests. Motion carried.

Motion by N. Kniseley, with a second by D. Thompson, to approve Fund 50 Expenditures. Motion carried by roll call vote, 6-0.

Motion by D. Thompson, with a second by N. Kniseley, to approve the consent agenda items including resignation of MS Science Teacher, Ned Laughery with many thanks for his 36 years of teaching with Blair-Taylor, MS Science Teacher contract for Brian Rogers, Assistant Maintenance contract for Michael Johnson, resignation of high school science teacher Ryann Bullington, resignation of Head volleyball coach Tasha Becker, contract for Head volleyball coach, Greta Monson, contract for assistant volleyball coach, Kambrie Haas, contract C-Team volleyball coach, Cassie Geary, resignation of C-Team boys basketball coach, Kyle Steien, contract for C-team boys basketball coach, Cole Van Schyndel, contract for Elementary PE Teacher, Michael Lampman. Motion carried by roll call vote, 5-0 as M. Steien abstained from

voting.

Motion by D. Thompson, with a second by M. Steien to move to closed session in accordance with State Statute 19.85(1)(c), to discuss staffing needs 2023-24, staff compensation 2023-24, administrative contracts and staff non-renewal consideration. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "David Thompson". The signature is written in a cursive style with a long, sweeping underline.

David Thompson, Clerk

