

BLAIR-TAYLOR SCHOOL DISTRICT
REGULAR BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING MINUTES
MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 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: Sarah Staff, David Thompson, Michele Steien, Neil Kniseley, and Blaine Koxlien. Absent: Perry Kujak. Also present: Lynn Halverson, Dana Eide, Beth Lisowski, and Katie Belitz. 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 M. Steien to approve the agenda. Motion carried.

There were no Public comment

Motion by D. Thompson, with second by N. Kniseley, to approve August 2022 regular and closed meeting minutes. Motion carried.

Motion by M. Steien, with second by S. Staff to approve bills for the month of August 2022. Motion passed by roll call vote 6-0.

Motion by D. Thompson, with second by M. Steien, to approve the August 2022 financial statement. Motion passed by roll call vote 6-0.

Superintendent - Lynn Halverson - Mr. Halverson presented a Thank you from the FCCLA for the donation to the National FCCLA convention. Mr. Halverson reported there is a WASB Regional Fall Meeting on October 27 and a WiRSA Convention in Green Bay on October 20-21. Board members are welcome to attend. Mr. Halverson would like to tentatively schedule the preliminary budget meeting on October 10th at 5:30.

Elementary Principal - Beth Lisowski - Ms. Lisowski updated the board that our Reading Specialist, Scott Nelson is having family nights to introduce our new ELA curriculum. Each grade is scheduled for a different night to make sure all parent questions/concerns are answered. Now that the staff has returned for the new school year, the transition is continuing to go well.

MS/HS Principal - Dana Eide - Mrs. Eide reported middle/high school attendance during our three transition days was at about 98%. The Dairyland Conference superintendents decided to split baseball/softball to large and small conferences for the 23-24 school year. This will decrease the amount of conference games to 14 instead of around 18. Also discussed in the Superintendents meeting is if our conference schools are live streaming and if so what is their livestream info. Then we can share on our social media for those unable to attend the events. Friday, September 23rd we are celebrating 40 years of the Blair & Taylor football program. We will be recognizing any former coach or football player prior to the National Anthem. This week is homecoming week also. Events have been moved to Thursday instead of Friday since it is an inservice day on Friday.

Special Ed Director - Katie Belitz - Ms. Belitz introduced our new school Psychologist, Courtney Stearns. Mrs. Stearns spoke about her hobbies and her education. She is grateful for the opportunity to work part time which allows her to be home with her son. Ms. Beliz also presented a special education newsletter.

Discussion Items:

Mr. Halverson updated the board that Amy Mccutchin Youth Apprenticeship advisor decided to just work in GET. We are exploring the option of hiring one just for our consortium.

Mr. Halverson updated the board that the track will need to have some maintenance in the near future. Estimates/proposals from Pro Track & Tennis. We will not know which option will need to be needed because we have to see what it looks like until we pull the polymat up.

Action Items:

Motion by D. Thompson, with a second by N. Kniseley, to approve T.E.A.C.H. Early Childhood@ WISCONSIN Scholarship program. Motion carried by roll call vote, 6-0.

Motion by N.Kniseley, with a second by M. Steien, to approve the purchase of a new freezer for the middle/high school kitchen at \$7,797.71. Motion carried by roll call vote, 6-0.

Motion by M. Steien, with a second by S. Staff, to approve School Social Worker Contract to Erica Anderson. Motion carried by roll call vote, 6-0.

Motion by D. Thompson, with a second by N. Kniseley, to approve 2022-23 School Calendar Change. Motion carried.

Motion by S. Staff, with a second by D. Thompson, to approve early graduation requests and the one who canceled their request to graduate early. Motion carried.

Motion by M. Steien, with a second by N. Kniseley, to approve the consent agenda items, including Alyssa Elvaker as middle school volleyball coach, resignation of middle school counselor, Sarah Kyes, and resignation of 1st grade teacher, Leah Helmers. Motion carried by roll call vote, 6-0.

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 compensation model, update on staffing for 2022-23.

Respectfully Submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "David Thompson". The signature is written in black ink and is positioned above the printed name of the signatory.

David Thompson, Clerk