BLAIR-TAYLOR SCHOOL DISTRICT

REGULAR BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING MINUTES

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 20th - 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, David Thompson, Sarah Staff, Michele Steien, Jeff Stalheim, and Blaine Koxlien. Absent: Perry Kujak. Also present: Jeff Eide, Dana Eide, Lynn Halverson, Katie Belitz, Greta Monson, Marin Bernhagen, Taylor Boe, Britton Unverzagt, Lauren Hendrickson, Emily Trautman, Jessica Juarez, Daisy Aguilar. Dillon Martinez & Ryann Bullington via remotely. Meeting also live-streamed on Wildcat TV.

The Pledge of Allegiance recited.

Motion by S. Staff, with second by J. Stalheim to approve the agenda. Motion carried.

Mission statement- "To educate all learners to reach their potential as productive citizens" read aloud.

There were no public comments at this time.

Motion by D. Thompson, with second by M. Steien to approve August, 2021 regular & closed meeting minutes. Motion carried by roll call vote, 6-0.

Motion by M. Steien, with second by S. Staff to approve bills for the month of August 2021. Motion passed by roll call vote 6-0.

Motion by J. Stalheim, with second by D. Thompson to approve the August 21 financial statement. Motion passed by roll call vote 6-0.

Reports:

District Administrator - Jeff Eide - Mr. Eide would like to have a special meeting on October 4th to present the preliminary budget for 2021-2022. The WASB regional meeting is October 6th. Board member Jeff Stalheim is attending. Ribbon cutting ceremony for the childcare center on October 22nd at 4:00 pm. Childcare center and playground should be complete by October 15th. Mr. Halverson and Kristen Elvaker are working on the childcare licensing process. Scoreboard will be in by the end of October. Currently students are working on dugouts and press box projects.

Elementary Principal- Lynn Halverson - K-2 playground has been completed. Students love it. Due to Covid the elementary was unable to take the Wisconsin Forward testing in 2020. So our results in comparison to 2019 our E.L.A. went up slightly. However, Math decreased. That is expected with the pandemic. Utilizing resources to increase future results.

Middle/High Principal - Dana Eide -. Our new staff members are in attendance at today's meeting. Mrs. Eide had each of them introduce themselves to the board. We are having a great start to our new school year. We were able to have homecoming activities and dance this year. Many of our students volunteered to take different shifts during Cheesefest. Great to see. We are working with RJ Jurowski and IMTEF Apprentices Organization to have a few of our interested older students to help build the new press box and dugouts for the new multi purpose field. Mrs. Eide updated the board about this program. We have students from Blair-Taylor and Whitehall school districts participating in this program.

Special Education Director - Katie Belitz - We are using teletherapy services for Speech and language since we no longer have a full time speech/language teacher on site. So far it is a success, however there are a handful of the younger students struggling.

Action Items:

Motion by J. Stalheim, with a second by M. Steien, to approve consent agenda items. Motion carried by roll call vote. 6-0

Motion by D. Thompson, with a second by J. Stalheim, to approve the childcare parent handbook and childcare staff handbook. Motion carried.

Motion by D. Thompson, with a second by S. Staff to move to closed session in accordance with State Statute 19.85(1)(c) teacher contracts, support & teacher handbook quarantine procedures addendum, personnel concern, the agreement between school board and association. Motion carried.

Motion by D. Thompson, with a second by S. Staff to reconvene in open session to take or announce any action, if any and if appropriate, arising out of closed session. Motion carried.

Motion by D. Thompson, with a second by J. Stalheim, to approve the agreement for base wages between the Blair-Taylor Association and the Blair-Taylor School District. Motion carried by roll call vote, 6-0.

Motion by S. Staff, with a second by D. Thompson, to approve the teacher contracts as presented. Motion carried by roll call vote, 6-0.

Motion by J. Stalheim, with a second by D. Thompson, to approve the support staff handbook to adjust the hour increment to ½ hour increments. Motion carried.

Motion by M. Steien, with a second by J. Stalheim, to table the quarantine procedures. Motion carried by roll call vote, 6-0.

Motion by S. Staff, with a second by B. Koxlien, to adjourn. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

David Thompson, Clerk

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