

The regular meeting of the Beaverton Rural Schools Board of Education was called to order by President Zdrojewski at 6:00 p.m. in the junior senior high school media center. President Zdrojewski led the Pledge of Allegiance.

PRESENT: Members Zdrojewski, Burns, Clark, Grove, Brubaker, Hayes, and Superintendent Wooden.

ABSENT: Member Frei.

Administrators present: Andrist, Grubaugh, Inscho, Roberts, Bassage and Johnston.

President Zdrojewski appointed member Clark as Secretary in the absence of member Frei.

Good News Report: Superintendent Wooden updated the Board on the Summer Outdoor Education Program.

Motion by Grove, supported by Burns, to approve the June 10, 2019 agenda as presented. 6 yes, 0 no – motion carried.

Motion by Zdrojewski, supported by Clark, to approve the minutes of the work session and regular meeting May 28, 2019, as presented. 6 yes, 0 no – motion carried.

FOR INFORMATION

8 A Special Education Programming Update

Special Education Coordinator, Renee Inscho presented to the Board an update relative to the District's special education current/future programming needs.

8 B Thrun Law Firm Policy Versus NEOLA Policy

The Board is asked to consider adopting their policies from Thrun Law Firm, the District's law firm, for the tightest alignment possible between policy the District's existing attorneys. Thrun has developed a model that is efficient and practical. Further, Thrun's policies and administrative guidelines will align with applicable legal standards, without imposing unnecessary requirements.

8 C Board Finance & Policy Committee Meeting (from 6.6.19)

Board Finance & Policy Committee Chairperson, Tammy Grove reported to the full Board the information relative to the 6.6.19 meeting.

1. Marietta Andrist updated the committee on the student population in the district from M-30 east including the All Bright Shores area. Right now we have three (72 passenger) bus routes in this area vs five (89 passenger) bus routes. We are seeing a decreasing student population trend in that area more than anywhere else.
2. 2019-20 Budget - Stephen Grubaugh presented the final recommendation for cost avoidances that will be presented at the June 24, 2019 regular meeting.
Hillary Phillips, High School Counselor, presented the class size numbers for grades 7-12 for the 2019-20 school year.

8 D Board Operations & Maintenance Committee Meeting (from 6.10.19)

Board Operations & Maintenance Committee Chairman, Daren Burns reported to the full Board the information relative to the 6.10.19 meeting.

1. Eagle Scout Project – Benjamin Minkina presented his project for the school forest on McCulloch & Calhoun Road.
2. MSP Safety Grant Update - Earls Building Supply will be replacing the windows in the north end of the elementary building. Allen Supply will be replacing the interior classroom door locks at the junior senior high.
3. Building & Summer Projects – Maintenance will be doing some touch-up painting in the elementary and junior senior high buildings. They will also be moving the black dirt in areas of need that was donated to the district from Saint Gobain.
4. School Forest – Marietta met with the forester Nia Becker, from the Clare DNR office last fall. At that time, there was a very small area on the M-30-Estey road property could be harvested.

FOR ACTION

9 A Retirement

Superintendent Wooden presented to the Board her retirement notice.

Motion by Zdrojewski, supported by Clark, to accept the retirement notice from Susan Wooden, effective June 30, 2019, with her last day of work being the end-of-business day, June 21, 2019. Further, the Board will move to secure and interim superintendent to begin as soon as June 24, 2019. 6 yes, 0 no – motion carried.

9 B 2019 Tax Rate Request L-4029

Motion by Burns, supported by Grove, to adopt the 2019 Tax Rate Request L4029 as presented. 6 yes, 0 no – motion carried.

9 C Borrowing Resolution

Motion by Burns, supported by Hayes, to adopt the State Aid Operating Notes Resolution as presented. Attached hereto. 6 yes 0 no – motion carried.

Consensus of the Board is to schedule a special meeting for Saturday, June 15, 2019 at 8:00 a.m. at the administration office conference room to accept the bids on the State Aid Note.

9 D Hire Staff – 2019 BES Jump Start Summer School Program (Grant Funded)

Motion by Grove, supported by Clark, to hire one (1) supervisor, three (3) teachers, and one (1) paraprofessional to facilitate the 2019 BES Jump Start Summer School Program.

Stacie Lyons, Supervisor
Karen Erickson, Teacher
Becky Tweed, Teacher
TBD, Teacher
TBD, Paraprofessional

5 yes, 0 no, 1 Abstain (Zdrojewski) as Stacie Lyons is a family member – motion carried.

9 E 2019-2020 Student Handbooks

Motion by Zdrojewski, supported by Clark, to approve the 2019-20 Elementary Student Handbook and the 2019-20 Junior Senior High Student Handbook, with the understanding they may need to be adjusted if provisions are approved within the 2019-20 Budget in accordance with athletic participation fees and athletic event transportation. 6 yes, 0 no – motion carried.

9 F Chartwells Food Service Contract

Motion by Zdrojewski, supported by Burns, to adopt the Chartwells Food Service Contract. The new contract shall be in effect for one year and may be renewed by mutual agreement for four (4) additional, one-year periods as presented. 6 yes, 0 no – motion carried.

9 G 2019-2020 MHSAA Resolution

Motion by Zdrojewski, supported by Grove, to adopt the 2019-2020 Michigan High School Athletic Association (MHSAA) Resolution as presented. 6 yes, 0 no – motion carried.

9 H 2019-2020 CGRES D Budget Resolution

Motion by Burns, supported by Gove, to adopt the Clare Gladwin Regional Educational Service District 2019-20 in support for the proposed budget as presented. Attached hereto. 6 yes, 0 no – motion carried.

9 I Resignation – Varsity Pom Pon Coach

Motion by Burns, supported by Grove, to accept the resignation from Margaret Lyons as the Varsity Pom Pon coach with thanks. 5 yes, 0 no, 1 abstain (Zdrojewski as Margaret Lyons is a family member) – motion carried.

9 J Lay Off Resolution

Motion by Grove, supported by Clark, to adopt the Lay Off Resolution as presented. The Board of Education of the Beaverton Rural Schools has thoroughly reviewed its projected fiscal conditions for the 2019-2020 school year, program needs, enrollment levels, and staffing requirements, and on the basis of those factors has

determined that a reduction in one (1) teaching personnel is necessary. The superintendent will meet with the administrators and representative of the Beaverton Education Association to identify the layoff. 6 yes, 0 no – motion carried. 6 yes, 0 no – motion carried.

FOR FUTURE ACTION

10 A Hire Staff – 2019 Summer Early Literacy Tutoring Program (Grant Funded)

The Board will be asked to approve the hiring of tutors to facilitate the 2019 Summer Early Literacy Tutoring Program for BES students.

10 B 2018-2019 Budget Amendment

Stephen Grubaugh presented the proposed 2018-19 Amendments. Discussion followed.

10 C 2019-2020 General Fund & Food Service Budgets

The Board will be asked to approve the 2019-2020 General Fund Budget and Food Service Budget as necessary per law. The budgeting process involved a variety of input from the Board's Finance & Policy Committee, administrators, staff, and the community.

10 D 2019-2020 Administrators' Contracts

The Board will be asked to approve contracts for administrators for the 2019-2020 school year.

10 E 2019-2020 ESS Midwest, Inc. (formerly PCMI/WillSub) Service Agreement

The Board will be asked to approve the 2019-2020 EES Midwest, Inc. Service Agreement for human resource staffing services. The "Administrative Fee" percentages (18.5% and 19.5%) are the same as this year.

10 F School District Branding Logos/Font

The entire branding package for Beaverton Schools will be procured and emailed to the Board for further consideration of all logos/fonts. An "incremental approach" to moving toward these consistent designs/fonts will take place over time, as the District consumes existing stationery, envelopes, various signage, and as athletic uniforms are rotated.

Theresa Atkinson addressed the Board with concerns regarding the discussion about privatizing the transportation department. Theresa also inquired about cost savings if they brought custodial and cafeteria services back as district employees.

Nancy Massaro addressed the Board as a parent, employee, and tax payer. Nancy thanked the maintenance department, bus drivers and Marietta for always looking for way to save district funds. She is very passionate about keeping in-house employees and would hate to see bussing and transportation out-sourced.

Renee Baker, MEA Uniserv Director, addressed the Board in regards to the discussion about "drop-and-go" for athletic events. Renee also inquired about the discussion on Board Policy, moving from NEOLA to Thrun Law Firm.

Cheyenne Wehrerin expressed concern regarding the 6th grade students moving to the jr sr high school for 2019-20. She stated she is not in favor of this move.

Renee Hargrove congratulated Kelli Fitzpatrick on the recent projects presented by her students.

Kelli Fitzpatrick expressed her concern in regards to layoff. Her hope is that once the position is identified, that the individual is notified.

Lynn Stacey expressed her concern regarding privatization and stated she has concerns as these employees are your community.

Cathy Kintner updated the Board on the recent guest conductors that worked with the band students.

Brian Rise inquired if there was a retirement incentive offered to Susan Wooden.

President Zdrojewski stated that there is not a retirement incentive offered to Susan Wooden.

Jane Rowley-Smith thanked the Board for their hard work the last six weeks.

Superintendent Wooden updated the Board on the following informational items:

- The RIT team will be in Lansing June 18-20 working on the MI Excel Blueprint, this is paid for by Michigan Department of Education

Member Hayes inquired about reductions of teaching staff and if and when staff members will know what their assignment is for 2019-20. Discussion followed

President Zdrojewski adjourned the meeting at 8:28 p.m.

Garry Clark
Appointed Secretary