

BELLEVUE COMMUNITY SCHOOLS

Regular Board Meeting
Monday, October 9, 2023

1. The meeting was called to order in the BCS Board Room at 6:30 PM by President Mike Reed.
2. Roll call was taken. Board Members present: Allysen Bonifas (arrived at 7:21 PM), Marty Ploessl, Mike Reed, Janet Sieverding and Matt Wedeking; Also present: Superintendent Tom Meyer; Board of Education Secretary Abbey Skrivseth; MS/HS Principal Jeff Recker (arrived at 7:58 PM); Elementary Principal Jeanette Hartung-Schroeder; BHS Student Representative Leo Aschenbrenner.
3. Motion by Wedeking, second by Sieverding to approve the agenda. Carried unanimous.
4. Motion by Sieverding, second by Ploessl to approve the consent agenda. Carried unanimous. The consent agenda contained:
 - a. Approve minutes of regular School Board meeting of September 11, 2023.
 - b. Approve payment of all BCS's expenditures for supplies, equipment and services received (this excludes payroll; see attached).
 - c. Approve open enrollment requests.
 - i. Gunner Veach, Kindergarten, Andrew to Bellevue, FY24
 - ii. Elijah Blatz, Kindergarten, Andrew to Bellevue, FY24
 - iii. Myka Kueter, Kindergarten, Dubuque to Bellevue, FY24
 - iv. Weston Huseman, Transitional Kindergarten, Dubuque to Bellevue, FY24
 - v. Logan Vondal, 5th Grade, Dubuque to Bellevue, FY24
 - vi. Karlye Till, 12th Grade, Maquoketa to Bellevue, FY24
 - vii. Holden Sickler, Kindergarten, Bellevue to Maquoketa, FY24
 - d. Approve resignations: None
 - e. Approve recommendations for hire: None
5. Visitors: Sam VanGorp, Maria Darnell and Matt, Christi, Auggie and Eli Jaeger.
6. Comet Curriculum: A presentation was provided by Preschool Teacher Sam VanGorp and sign language Interpreter Maria Darnell regarding deaf awareness week and their preschool curriculum with two hearing-impaired students including involvement with the classroom as a whole.
7. An update and discussion was had on the tentative FY24 enrollment along with comparison to historical enrollment numbers.
8. Facilities discussion included details on the proposed new elementary and most recent updates discussed by the steering committee and engineer OPN. The geothermal test well will be completed and tested within the next week. [Bonifas entered the meeting 7:21 PM]. The Board then looked at a list of the districts vehicles including condition and mileage. The Board briefly went over a list of projected future building improvements and projects.
9. Motion by Wedeking, second by Bonifas to approve Resolution Directing the Advertisement for Sale of Not to Exceed \$10,000,000 General Obligation School Bonds, Series 2023, Approving Electronic Bidding Procedures and Approving Official Statement. Roll call vote carried unanimously. President Reed declared the Resolution adopted.

RESOLUTION DIRECTING THE ADVERTISEMENT FOR SALE OF NOT TO EXCEED \$10,000,000 GENERAL OBLIGATION SCHOOL BONDS, SERIES 2023, APPROVING ELECTRONIC BIDDING PROCEDURES AND APPROVING OFFICIAL STATEMENT

WHEREAS, at a special election of the qualified electors of the Bellevue Community School District in the County of Jackson, State of Iowa, held on March 7, 2023, the voters authorized the

issuance of \$13,100,000 of General Obligation School Bonds for the District for the purpose of providing funds to build, furnish, and equip a new elementary building and improve the site; and

WHEREAS, this Board finds it advisable and necessary that bonds authorized at the election be offered for sale for the purpose authorized at the election; and

WHEREAS, the Board deems it in the best interests of the School District and the residents thereof to receive bids to purchase such General Obligation School Bonds by means of both sealed and electronic internet communication; and

WHEREAS, the Board has received information from its Municipal Advisor, recommending the procedure for electronic bidding so as to provide for the integrity of the competitive bidding process and to facilitate the delivery of bids by interested parties:

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE BELLEVUE COMMUNITY SCHOOL DISTRICT IN THE COUNTY OF JACKSON, STATE OF IOWA:

Section 1. That the PARITY® Competitive Bidding System described in the Notice of Sale is found and determined to provide reasonable security and to maintain the integrity of the competitive bidding process, and to facilitate the delivery of bids by interested parties in connection with the offering at public sale of not to exceed \$10,000,000 General Obligation School Bonds, Series 2023.

Section 2. That all electronic bidding shall be submitted in substantial conformity with Iowa Code Section 75.14 and Chapter 554D.

Section 3. That General Obligation School Bonds, Series 2023, in the aggregate amount of not to exceed \$10,000,000, to be issued as referred to in the preamble of this Resolution, to be dated the date of delivery, will be offered for sale pursuant to published advertisement.

Section 4. That the Secretary of the Board of this School District publish notice of the sale of bonds at least once, the last one of which is not less than four days nor more than twenty days before the date of the sale. Publication will be in the Bellevue Herald Leader, a legal newspaper published wholly in the English language, published within the County in which the bonds are to be offered for sale or an adjacent County. Notice is given pursuant to Iowa Code chapter 75 that bids will be received and acted upon by this Board at a meeting to be held at 6:30 P.M. on November 13, 2023; the notice must be in substantially the following form:

NOTICE OF BOND SALE

Time and Place of Sale: Sealed bids or electronic bids for the sale of General Obligation School Bonds, Series 2023, of the Bellevue Community School District, in the County of Jackson, State of Iowa (the "Issuer"), will be received at the office of the Superintendent until 1:30 P.M. on November 13, 2023. The bids will be publicly opened at that time and evaluated by the Superintendent, Board Secretary and Municipal Advisor and referred for action at the meeting of the Board of Directors.

Sale and Award: The sale and award of the bonds will be held at the Board meeting on the same date.

The Bonds. The bonds to be offered are the following:

GENERAL OBLIGATION SCHOOL BONDS, SERIES 2023, in the principal amount of not to exceed \$10,000,000 to be dated the date of delivery (the "Bonds").

**Subject to principal adjustment per the Terms of Offering.*

Manner of Bidding: Open bids will not be received. No bid will be received after the time specified above for receiving bids. Bids will be received by any of the following methods:

- Sealed Bidding: Sealed bids or electronic proposals may be submitted and will be received at the office of the Superintendent, Bellevue Community School District, Bellevue, Iowa.
- Electronic Bidding: Electronic bids via PARITY® will be received at the office of the Superintendent, Bellevue Community School District, Bellevue, Iowa. The bids must be submitted through PARITY®.

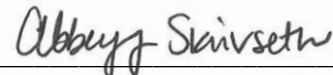
Official Statement: The Issuer has issued an Official Statement of information pertaining to the Bonds to be offered, including a statement of the Terms of Offering and an Official Bid Form, which is incorporated by reference as a part of this notice. The Official Statement may be obtained by request addressed to the Secretary of the Board of Directors, Bellevue Community School District, 1601 State Street, Bellevue, Iowa 52031; Telephone: 563-872-4001; or Matt Gillaspie, Piper Sandler & Co., 3900 Ingersoll, Suite 110, Des Moines, Iowa 50312; Telephone: 515-247-2353.

Terms of Offering: All bids must be in conformity with and the sale must be in accordance with the Terms of Offering as set forth in the Official Statement.

Legal Opinion: Bonds will be sold subject to the opinion of Ahlers & Cooney, P.C., Attorneys of Des Moines, Iowa, as to the legality and their opinion will be furnished together with the printed bonds without cost to the purchaser and all bids will be so conditioned. Except to the extent necessary to issue their opinion as to the legality of the Bonds, the attorneys will not examine or review or express any opinion with respect to the accuracy or completeness of documents, materials or statements made or furnished in connection with the sale, issuance or marketing of the Bonds.

Rights Reserved: The right is reserved to reject any or all bids, and to waive any irregularities as deemed to be in the best interests of the public.

By order of the Board of Directors of the Bellevue Community School District in the County of Jackson, State of Iowa.



Secretary of the Board of Directors of the
Bellevue Community School District

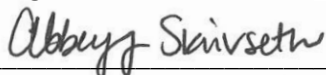
Section 5. That the preliminary Official Statement in the form presented to this meeting be and the same hereby is approved as to form and deemed final for purposes of Rule 15c2-12 of the Securities and Exchange Commission, subject to such revisions, corrections or modifications as the Superintendent and Board Secretary, upon the advice of the District's Municipal Advisor, shall determine to be appropriate, and is authorized to be distributed in connection with the offering of the Bonds for sale.

PASSED AND APPROVED this 9th day of October, 2023.



President of the Board of Directors

ATTEST:



Secretary of the Board of Directors

10. Review and discussion on Board policy 503.8 in regard to the "Discipline of Students Who Make Threats of Violence or Cause Incidents of Violence" as required by House File 604. [Recker entered the meeting 7:58 PM]
11. The Iowa Association of School Board Annual Convention will take place November 15-17. Meyer will be attending. Board President Reed cannot attend this year. Therefore, the optional Board Member delegate was not elected.
12. The Comet reading and reflection included an EICC report on concurrent enrollment in school districts and an article on college attendance.
13. Information items:
 - a. School Board Elections will take place on Tuesday, November 7.
 - b. Legislative update on Senate File 496 was provided.
 - c. Fall activities were discussed.
 - d. Administrative Overview included a Des Moines Register article on administrative costs.
14. (8:11 PM) Comments were heard from the principals and superintendent on school issues and events.
15. Motion by Bonifas, seconded by Ploessl to adjourn at 8:23 PM. Carried unanimous. The next regular board meeting is on Monday, November 13, 2023 at 6:30 PM.

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, Board President

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, Board Secretary