

BELLEVUE COMMUNITY SCHOOLS


Regular Board Meeting
Monday, September 14, 2020

An electronic meeting option was employed due to social distancing and large gatherings guidance due to the COVID-19 virus. The public had the options to attend via Zoom or phone.

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, Marty Ploessl, Mike Reed, Janet Sieverding, and Matt Wedeking; Also present were: Tom Meyer, Superintendent; Penny Medinger, Secretary to the Board of Education; Attending through Zoom: Jeff Recker, High School Principal, Jeanette Hartung-Schroeder, Elementary Principal
3. Motion by Sieverding, seconded by Bonifas to approve the agenda. Carried unanimous.
4. Motion by Sieverding, seconded by Bonifas to approve the consent agenda. Carried unanimous. The consent agenda contained:
 - a. Approve the minutes of the August 10, 2020 regular board meeting.
 - b. Approve payment of all BCS's expenditures for supplies, equipment, and services received (this excludes payroll). (See attached.)
 - c. Approve open enrollments:
 - i. Calahan Cornelius, grade K, Bellevue to Andrew, FY21
 - ii. James Frost, grade , Bellevue to Maquoketa, FY21
 - iii. Isabella Theisen, grade , Bellevue to CAM, FY21
 - iv. Elyse Berendes-Greene, grade 7, Dubuque to Bellevue, FY21
 - d. There were no resignations.
 - e. Approve hires:
 - i. Pete Bonifas, substitute teacher
 - ii. Brandi Bailey, MS/HS Associate
 - iii. Lauri Feller, Elementary Associate
 - iv. Jane Steines, Elementary Associate
 - v. Casey Skrivseth, Elementary Cook/Custodian
5. (6:40 PM) There were no visitors.
6. Penny Medinger shared the ending cash balances in all funds for FY20. All funds have increased their cash balance.
7. Mr. Meyer reviewed the procedures for virtual learning that have been established for students who are out due to COVID-19 and also the financial impact COVID-19 has had.
8. Mr. Meyer reviewed the enrollment count. Enrollment is not finalized until October, but currently enrollment is down 10 students.
9. Videos of classroom spacing due to COVID-19 were shown. After 7 inches of rain, there are roof leaks in both campuses.
10. The District is investigating possible child care sites with a community partner.
11. IASB will be holding the annual conference virtually. It is November 18-19, 2020.
12. Mike Reed volunteered to be the representative for the Board at the IASB Convention and also the Jackson County Conference Board.
13. The Board discussed an article titled "Is Learning "Lost" When Kids Are Out of School?" by Alfie Kohn.

14. Information items:
 - a. The Board was informed of guidelines for extracurricular events and homecoming activities.
 - b. The District will begin offering free meals (breakfast and lunch) for all BCS students based on Federal/State legislation beginning September 21, 2020.
15. Comments were heard from the superintendent, principals and school board members on school issues and events.
16. Motion by Ploessl, seconded by Wedeking to adjourn at 8:14 PM. Carried unanimous. The next regular board meeting is on Monday, October 12, 2020 at 6:30 PM.


_____, Board President


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