

BELLEVUE COMMUNITY SCHOOLS

Regular Board Meeting
Monday, December 14, 2020

An electronic meeting option was employed due to social distancing and large gatherings guidance by the Governor 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, and Janet Sieverding; Absent: Matt Wedeking; Also present were: Tom Meyer, Superintendent; Penny Medinger, Secretary to the Board of Education; Jeff Recker, High School Principal (Zoom), Jeanette Hartung-Schroeder, Elementary Principal (Zoom)
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 November 9, 2020 regular board meeting.
 - b. Approve payment of all BCS's expenditures for supplies, equipment, and services received (this excludes payroll). (See attached.)
 - c. There were no open enrollment requests.
 - d. Approve resignations:
 - i. Dave Broders, substitute teacher
 - ii. Brian Swartz, assistant baseball coach
 - e. There were no hires.
5. (6:34 PM) There were no visitors.
6. Mike Reed opened a public hearing on the proposed issuance of approximately \$2,500,000 School Infrastructure Sales, Services and Use Tax revenue refunding bonds at 6:35 PM. No comments on the bonds were made. Motion by Ploessl, seconded by Sieverding to close the public hearing at 6:36 PM. Carried unanimous.
7. Motion by Sieverding, seconded by Bonifas to approve the resolution supporting the proposed issuance of approximately \$2,500,000 School Infrastructure Sales, Services and Use Tax revenue refunding bonds. (See attached.) Motion carried 4-0. Bonifas – aye, Ploessl – aye, Reed – aye, Sieverding - aye
8. Discussion was held on the revenue purpose statement for SAVE funds.
9. Motion by Sieverding, seconded by Ploessl to approve the resolution approving the revenue purpose statement, ordering an election on a revenue purpose statement to authorize expenditures from revenue received from the State Secure an Advanced Vision for Education Fund, and ordering the publication of a notice of election. (See attached.) Motion carried 4-0. Ploessl – aye, Reed – aye, Sieverding – aye, Bonifas - aye
10. Mr. Meyer reviewed the impact of COVID-19 on district attendance, on-line learning, and extracurricular activities.
11. Career and technical education programs and other high school/college programs planned at BHS were discussed. Motion by Bonifas, seconded by Ploessl to give Mr. Meyer permission to execute an agreement with Eastern Iowa Community College which reserves space for 5 BHS students or 5% of the Junior/Senior class. Carried unanimous.
12. Motion by Sieverding, seconded by Bonifas to approve 5 students for early graduation pending completion of all requirements. Carried unanimous.

13. Motion by Sieverding, seconded by Bonifas to authorize the District's administration to submit a request to the School Budget Review Committee for modified supplemental amount for the 2021-2022 dropout prevention program in the amount of \$154,849, for expenditures necessary to implement the 2021-2022 at-risk and dropout prevention program plans as approved by the Bellevue CSD school board. Motion carried 4-0.
14. Motion by Bonifas, seconded by Sieverding to approve a student teaching agreement with Loras College. Carried unanimous.
15. The Comet Reading and Reflection was on an article by George Couros on "School vs Learning" and how to challenge kids.
16. Information items:
 - a. Mr. Meyer reviewed information from the IGHSAU and IHSA on the Governor's proclamation on youth sports. Home events are online through NFHS Network.
 - b. Graduation will be Saturday, May 29, 2021 at 4:00 PM.
 - c. The District is not planning on using virtu; learning on weather related closings.
 - d. Mr. Meyer presented an economic outlook from Kiplinger and the Iowa Revenue Estimating Conference.
17. Comments were heard from the superintendent, principals and school board members on school issues and events.
18. Motion by Ploessl, seconded by Bonifas to adjourn at 7:35 PM. Carried unanimous. The next regular board meeting is on Monday, January 11, 2021 at 6:30 PM.


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