

BELLEVUE COMMUNITY SCHOOLS

Regular Board Meeting
Monday, March 13, 2023

1. The meeting was called to order in the BCS Board Room at 6:30 PM by Vice-President Janet Sieverding.
2. Roll call was taken. Board members present: Allysen Bonifas, Marty Ploessl, Mike Reed (arrived 6:45), Janet Sieverding and Matt Wedeking; Also present were: Tom Meyer, Superintendent; Penny Medinger, Secretary to the Board of Education; Jeanette Hartung-Schroeder, Elementary Principal (via zoom); Memphis Jess, BHS Student Representative
3. Motion by Bonifas, seconded by Ploessl to approve the agenda. Carried unanimous.
4. Motion by Ploessl, seconded by Bonifas to approve the consent agenda. Carried unanimous. The consent agenda contained:
 - a. Approve the minutes of the February 13, 2023 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. Kyra Struve, grade 6, Andrew to Bellevue, FY24
 - d. No resignations
 - e. Approve hires:
 - i. Abbey Skrivseth, business manager
 - ii. Chelsey Junk, MS/HS administrative assistant
 - iii. Kevin Petesch, assistant soccer coach
 - iv. Chase Junk, assistant track coach
 - v. Clint Michels, volunteer assistant track coach
5. (6:36 PM) Visitors: Dale Junk & Frank Reisen, Tri-State Builders; Brett Ernst, Custodian, Abbey Skrivseth, future SBO
6. Penny Medinger presented the FY22 school district financial audit. A copy can be found on the District's website.
7. Motion by Bonifas, seconded by Wedeking to hold the regular April board meeting on Monday, April 10, 2023 at 6:30. Carried unanimous.
8. Mr. Meyer and Mrs. Medinger reviewed proposed budgets for FY24. Motion by Sieverding, seconded by Ploessl to file and publish the budget estimate for the 2023-2024 school year with a tax asking of \$13.45926 and a 5% income surtax. (See attached.) Carried unanimous.
9. Motion by Bonifas, seconded by Wedeking to set the date for a public hearing on Monday, April 10, 2023 during the regular school board meeting beginning at 6:30 PM in regard to the 2023-2024 school budget. Carried unanimous.
10. The bond issue passed! A proposed time line was presented. Motion by Ploessl, seconded by Bonifas to continue working with OPN Architects. Carried unanimous.
11. Discussion was held on putting up a metal building to alleviate congestion at the elementary until the new building is finished. The idea was tabled indefinitely.
12. Motion by Bonifas, seconded by Wedeking to continue leasing the district owned farm land to Scott Hingtgen for 2023. Carried unanimous.

13. Discussion was held on keeping the current 4th grade in 3 sections or consolidating down to 2 sections as they move to 5th grade. The district will tentatively plan on having a 2-section 5th grade in FY24.
14. The low HS baseball participation rate and future options was discussed. Motion by Bonifas, seconded by Sieverding to approve the general and PPEL fund helping out with soccer start-up costs. Carried unanimous.
15. Weather related make-up days were discussed. Motion by Wedeking, seconded by Ploessl to excuse seniors from making up any snow days. Carried unanimous. The Board granted the administration leeway in giving teachers options to make up their contract days.
16. Options for the FY24 school calendar were reviewed. Motion by Wedeking, seconded by Bonifas to set the date for a public hearing on Monday, April 10, 2023 during the regular school board meeting beginning at 6:30 PM in regard to the 2023-2024 school calendar. Carried unanimous.
17. Motion by Sieverding, seconded by Bonifas to approve student teaching agreements with the University of Northern Iowa and Morningside College for the 2023-24 school year. Carried unanimous.
18. Information items:
 - a. Mr. Meyer provided legislative updates.
 - b. ACT testing for juniors will take place on April 18, 2023 at BHS.
 - c. EICC course costs will be increasing 2.5% for FY24.
 - d. The football/track scoreboard will be totally funded with donations.
19. (8:43 PM) Comments were heard from the superintendent and school board members on school issues and events.
20. Motion by Bonifas, seconded by Ploessl to adjourn at 8:52 PM. Carried unanimous. The next regular board meeting is on Monday, April 10, 2023 at 6:30 PM.


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