

MINUTES
REGULAR SCHOOL BOARD MEETING
JUNE 8, 2020 6:30 P.M.

A regular meeting of the School Board of the School District of Bruce was held on June 8, 2020 in the Bruce High School IMC. Robers read a statement of proper noticing of the meeting. Members present were Andrew Anderson, Steve Golat, Daniel Kempen, Daniel Robers, Whitney Trott, and Andrea Vohs. Jodi Schweitzer-Hopkins was absent. Also present were Administrators Patrick Sturzl and Carrie Wessman. Larry Villiard was absent. Laurie Leaf was also in attendance.

The board meeting was called to order at 6:38 p.m. by board president Daniel Robers.

A Vohs/Kempen motion to approve the May 11, 2020 Regular School Board meeting minutes carried.

The financial report with revenues of \$62,339.35 and expenditures of \$622,759.91 were reviewed and filed for audit.

A Kempen/Golat motion to approve the vouchers payable carried.

Administration and board members spoke on behalf of visitors to address the board. There were parent frustrations due to kids not being in school, a concern from a middle school parent that stated their child did not learn during the stay at home order, a request to offer driver's education more than once per year, and a parent applauding all involved who assisted in planning a successful graduation ceremony.

Discussion with no action regarding Open Enrollment Transportation.

A Vohs/Anderson motion to approve FCE teacher Kyla Bergstrom's resignation carried.

A Trott/Golat motion to approve Natasha Rassbach for the 4 Year Old Kindergarten teacher position carried.

A Golat/Kempen motion to approve the Fall Coaching Positions as listed carried.

A Golat/Vohs motion to approve the WIAA Sports Membership carried.

A Trott/Vohs motion to approve the End of Year Achievement Gap Reduction Report as presented by Wessman carried.

A Anderson/Kempen motion to transfer \$15,000 into Fund 46 carried.

A Vohs/Kempen motion to approve Open Enrollment Applications "Out" carried by a 4-2 vote.

A Anderson/Vohs motion to approve Open Enrollment Applications "In" carried.

Discussion regarding Administrative Contracts was moved into closed session. Upon returning to open session a Kempen/Vohs motion to approve the Elementary Principal contract carried. A Anderson/Trott motion to approve the District Administrator's contract carried.

A Vohs/Kempen motion to approve School Policies through the 5,000's carried.

A Anderson/Golat motion to approve Policy 6610 Student Activity fund carried.

A Kempen/Vohs motion to approve the unused funds for the Class of 2020 be distributed to the students carried. Anderson abstained.

A Anderson/Vohs motion to pass a waiver to start the 2020/2021 school year on August 31, 2020.

Administrative Reports

Director of Instruction's Report-Carrie Wessman

- We have successfully completed 12 weeks of schooling during COVID-19. A huge thank you to parents and families, kitchen staff, paraprofessionals, support staff, bus drivers, Mr. Peterson and teaching staff for a job well done.
- Wessman participated in virtual summit webinars regarding the reopening of schools. Teams are forming- Equity, Health/Safety, Food Service, Social/Emotional Learning, Filling the Gaps, Evidence-Informed Practice, Operational/Implementation.
- ASQ3 questionnaire will be sent to new 4K parents in June to gather information on the new class. The tentative plan is to hold a 4K JumpStart the week of August 10-13.
- Wessman presented a recap-video of the HOUSE System. The video was compiled of students speaking about how they enjoyed the HOUSE System.

K-12 Principal's Report-Larry Villiard

- A big thank you to students and staff for their work during this pandemic. Overall we did very well. While some students just could not adapt to the new format we reached the vast majority. Staff kept excellent documentation of their time and communication with their students. Thank you to Carrie, Manley and all our great paras for all their work in getting food, homework and computers to our families and back again. It was a tremendous undertaking that took a lot of planning but we had great people and it was handled superbly. Our

great custodial and office staff have not missed a beat during this time with great work accomplished. My hat goes off to all of them. We are so blessed to have such a great staff.

- Thank you to Pat, Carrie, Lori, Manley, Gary, Jon and Sean for all their expertise and work to give our seniors a graduation in real time for them and their family. Once again, we had the right people with the right skills and equipment to have a wonderful event. I also want to thank the village workers for their help with the graduation banners.
- Mrs. Leaf and the HS teachers have put together a summer school remediation opportunity for any students who have failed a class wishing to improve their grade to passing. This will run from June 15th to 30th and there is a well-structured schedule with specific days and times for those students to meet with their teachers via Zoom or Google Classroom to completed needed work. This is not a large number of students and it will be totally voluntary on their part. This will help any co-curricular students regain eligibility for the fall if they can earn a passing grade.
- I wish you all the best. I hope all board members take their turns as officers and stay committed to the needs of our students and the future of our great school. I leave you in great hands. Please stay in touch with staff and administration to know what is truly happening in our school, classrooms, and co-curricular activities and please trust the knowledge and expertise of the great people you have working here. I am always willing to help if needed if any of the administrators, or all, need to be gone. I will forever be a Raider and was so blessed to be education here as a student and to end my career here as your Principal. Stay safe and take care.

District Administrator's Report-Pat Sturzl

- We finished the virtual school year as well as possible. A big thank you to all staff for your efforts education and services our students. Everyone had a positive impact for our students and families of our district.
- We have an interview for FCE position tomorrow.
- We met with Amanda Weinert last Thursday. We began our initial discussions from a health standpoint for our school. We are developing a plan for our school next year. We will be receiving some updated guidance on Thursday from the state level.
- Summer school work will be a work in progress including credit recovery and plans for August sessions.
- The summer cleaning and maintenance are going well. More lights and technology have been ordered. This years list of projects are nearly complete.
- The safety grant will be virtual. We will have 5 staff members complete the Youth Mental Health class and I will be watching a school safety webinar.
- I would like to thank Victory Fireworks in Ellsworth, WI. I went there to buy fireworks for the graduation. I explained what I needed the fireworks for and the gentleman gave a discount for the kids.
- The graduation ceremony went very well. I could tell the students needed that. They were talking among themselves and seemed to be happy being together one more time. I want to thank the efforts of Mr. Villiard, Mrs. Wessman, Jon Fields, Gary Hecimovich, Sean Nagel, Manley Peterson, Deb Witkiewicz, Molly Webster, Chuck Kalmon, and John Manosky. We came together and put on the best graduation we could. As Mr. Villiard always says, it's for the kids.

A Anderson/Golat motion to approve the administrative reports carried.

A Golat motion to convene to closed session per statute 19.85(1)(c)(f)(g) at 8:10 p.m. carried by unanimous roll call vote.

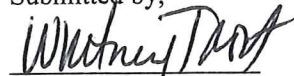
A Anderson/Golat motion to return to open session at 8:25 p.m. carried.

Action as a Result of Closed Session

Discussion regarding Administrative Contracts was moved into closed session. Upon returning to open session a Kempen/Vohs motion to approve the Elementary Principal contract carried. A Anderson/Trott motion to approve the District Administrator's contract carried.

A Golat/Kempen motion to adjourn at 8:26 p.m. carried.

Submitted by,



Whitney Trott (Clerk)

Approved July 13, 2020