

MINUTES
REGULAR SCHOOL BOARD MEETING
SEPTEMBER 14, 2020 6:30 P.M.

A regular meeting of the School Board of the School District of Bruce was held on September 14, 2020 in the Bruce High School IMC. School Board President Daniel Robers read a statement of proper noticing of the meeting. Members present were Andrew Anderson, Steve Golat, Daniel Robers, Jodi Schweitzer-Hopkins (arriving by phone at 6:55), Whitney Trott, and Andrea Vohs. Dan Kempen was absent. Also present were Administrators Patrick Sturzl, Carrie Wessman, and Laurie Leaf.

The board meeting was called to order at 6:32 p.m. by Board President Daniel Robers.

A Anderson/Vohs motion to approve the August 10, 2020 Regular School Board meeting minutes carried. There was a minor revision made to those minutes.

The financial report with revenues of \$988,594.48 and expenditures of \$461,500.95 were reviewed and filed for audit.

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

There were no visitors to address the board.

The current Back to School Plan was reviewed with no action taken.

A Trott/ Vohs motion to approve the Title IX Nondiscrimination Policy 2266 carried.

There were no staff resignations to approve.

A Anderson/Golat motion to hire Bethany Cooley as Kindergarten Teacher for the 2020-21 school year carried.

A Vohs/Trott motion to hire Jenna Warren as Part-Time Elementary Aide for the 2020-21 school year carried.

A Golat/Anderson motion to hire Teresa Lemon as the Health Services Assistant carried.

A Trott/Vohs motion to hire Chassity Johnson as High School Assistant Volleyball Coach carried.

A Trott/Anderson motion to hire Joelynn Frisch as Middle School Volleyball Coach carried.

Discussion regarding a possible land trade between Curt & Eric Mertens and the School District of Bruce is being considered. Members of the school board will be viewing both parcels for future discussion. No action.

Discussion regarding an upcoming Operational Referendum is being considered. Administration was asked to bring additional details to the board for additional discussion.

Administrative Reports

Elementary Principal's Report-Carrie Wessman

Close to 80% of elementary students attended the JumpStart and Raider Rebound. This was a great way for students to transition back to school and learn the new procedures and cohorts.

Students are doing very well with the changes and staggered schedules of bus unloading/loading, lunch, and recess. Thank you to all of the adults who help each morning bringing PreK-2nd grade cohorts to the rooms; to Mr. Thome and Mr. Booth for making the signs and holders; to Mr. Keeble for painting lines for sections on the playground; and for the staff who are assisting with lunch and recess.

There was great attendance for Virtual Learning Day in the elementary. Time slots were given to virtual learners to have one-to-one time with teachers. Thank you to Mr. Peterson for assisting with the technology needs in the school.

The HOUSE system began with 3rd graders spinning the wheel on September 9th to find which House they will be in. Mondays are designated for virtual house meetings from 1:10-1:20.

Middle & High School Principal's Report-Laurie Leaf

Summer School went well, and we had great attendance. Minor changes to transition times were made.

Virtual learning is going well. The 3rd week has been completed so staff had some discussions on changes and were able to add material for the exploratory teachers and PE/Band/Choir. Virtual students will now get material from these classes even though they are not live-streaming the class. It is also nice for those students who are out sick to be able to live-stream classes.

MS exploratory classes are able to go to their classrooms so staff can better teach their classes.

Virtual Friday has been going great. Attendance each week has been very high. Staff has been doing a great job of teaching and discussing virtually.

Sports are off to a great start. Thank you to the coaches and custodians who have helped come up with plans on how to make it as safe as possible for all those attending.

The staff has been doing an outstanding job from schedules, walking students places, cleaning, and lessons for both virtual and in-person learners. Everyone is going above and beyond and it has shown.

District Administrator's Report-Pat Sturzl

This Friday is the official student count day.

The summer session worksheet for the Raider Rebound has been completed. With Driver Education, Jump Start 4K and the Raider Rebound we have 10 FTE's for our student count. Last year we had 11 FTE's.

Mr. Sturzl will not be attending the State Superintendents Conference. Many conferences will be virtual or have been cancelled.

The school is adapting to the new changes this year. Hopefully our area remains one of the most fortunate in the state.

The budget will be presented at the next board meeting on October 12th.

The annual meeting is on October 26th.

Ladysmith Federal Savings & Loan awarded the Bruce School District a \$5,000 grant.

The school is coming together from the recent bus accident. Thoughts and prayers go out to the Balko family.

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

A Trott motion to convene to closed session per statute 19.85(1)(c)(f) at 7:20 p.m. carried by unanimous roll call vote.

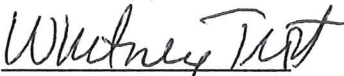
A Anderson/Golat motion to return to open session at 7:45 p.m. carried.

Action as a Result of Closed Session

There was no action as a result of closed session.

A Golat/Trott motion to adjourn at 7:47 p.m. carried.

Submitted by,



Whitney Trótt (Clerk)

Approved October 12, 2020