

MINUTES
REGULAR SCHOOL BOARD MEETING
FEBRUARY 10, 2021 6:30 P.M.

A regular meeting of the School Board of the School District of Bruce was held on February 10, 2021 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 Kempen (present by Zoom), Daniel Robers, Jodi Schweitzer-Hopkins, Whitney Trott, and Andrea Vohs. Also present were Administrators Patrick Sturzl, Carrie Wessman, and Laurie Leaf.

The board meeting was called to order at 6:30 p.m. by Board President Daniel Robers.

A Anderson/Golat motion to approve the January 11, 2021 Regular School Board meeting minutes carried.

The financial report with revenues of \$583,751.78 and expenditures of \$651,833.43 were reviewed and filed for audit.

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

Visitors addressed the board and asked questions regarding virtual school on snow days, quarantines, and with regard to the land trade.

The current Back to School Plan was discussed. Administration gave input on virtual student counts expected for Trimester 3.

Mr. Sturzl presented a slide show with regard to the 2021 Operational Referendum. The slide show included uses of referendum funds and what the tax impact would be on property owners.

A Schweitzer-Hopkins/Golat motion to amend the Early Retirement Provisions to include sick leave payout to be cash stipend only carried.

A Kempen/Anderson motion to approve Ruth Kane's retirement from the School District of Bruce carried.

A Anderson/Schweitzer-Hopkins motion to approve Sam Fink's resignation from the School District of Bruce carried.

A Golat/Vohs motion to approve Brad Cody's baseball coach resignation carried.

A Kempen/Golat motion to approve Woody Keeble's baseball coach resignation carried.

A Trott/Schweitzer-Hopkins motion to approve Doug Schmitz's softball coach resignation carried.

A Kempen/Trott motion to approve the Summer Library Work carried.

A Anderson/Trott motion to approve the Spring Coaches as listed carried.

A Golat/Anderson motion to approve the Memorandum of Understanding with the Sheriff's Department carried.

There was no action in regard to the March Regular Board Meeting. The meeting will take place on March 8, 2021.

Administrative Reports

Elementary Principal's Report-Carrie Wessman

Thank you to the Friends of the Library who donated \$300 for books for elementary students.

The Winter Assessment Window is open for Elementary until February 19th. Data will be shared at the March meeting.

Elementary virtual parents were contacted regarding the third trimester. We currently have 25 virtual elementary students. Comments from virtual parents say it's safer, works well, appreciate the option due to health concerns at home, and teachers are very accommodating and understanding.

Ms. Wessman met with PreK teachers on February 5th to plan for next year's PreK. Raider Round Up letters went out this week, screening will take place February 19, March 5, and March 12.

Thank you to Embrace for starting virtual support groups in 4th and 5th grade.

Thank you to all of the paraprofessionals, support staff, and phy ed teachers for their extra patience and flexibility during indoor recess this week with many cohorts.

Middle & High School Principal's Report-Laurie Leaf

Ms. Detlaff has met with 8-11 graders and has started scheduling for next year.

Prom was discussed with seniors and juniors about the school assisting in the prom, more discussion will be had at class meetings.

Graduation will be on May 22nd at 2:00 p.m. The seniors are wanting to be inside. The senior banquet will be May 12th at the school and only parents will be allowed to attend.

Students will be doing ACT Aspire testing next week. Juniors will start doing paperwork next week for the March 9th ACT.

There has been no change in students doing virtual going into the 3rd trimester. There are 7 middle school and 19 high school virtual students.

There was an EL Magazine article share. Staff came in early on Friday morning to discuss articles from the magazine.

Sammy McEathron was nominated for the Badger Girls State Government and Leadership Conference, but was cancelled due to COVID.

Kaela Anderson received the UW Women in Stem Grant. She will attend a virtual conference with UW-Platteville.

District Administrator's Report-Pat Sturzl

The referendum presentation has been given to the Kiwanis last week and at the Thornapple Town Board last night with John Manosky. Tomorrow will be the Atlanta Town Board Meeting.

School safety grants have been closed. The District received \$66,781.03 for the two grants.

The insurance cooperative will continue with Security Health for next year. Our loss ration was 86%.

We have been selected for a membership audit this year. On a rotational basis, every district has a membership audit over a four year period. This is our year.

We will discuss summer projects and next year's calendar at the March meeting.

There is a primary next Tuesday for State Superintendent. Get out and vote.

There have been no weather related cancellation days to report to you.

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

A Trott motion to convene to closed session per statute 19.85(1)(c)(f)(g) at 7:39 p.m. carried by unanimous roll call vote.

A Anderson/Golat motion to return to open session at 8:50 p.m. carried.

Action as a Result of Closed Session

There was no action as a result of closed session.

A Golat/Anderson motion to adjourn at 8:51 p.m. carried.

Submitted by,



Whitney Trott (Clerk)

Approved March 8, 2021