

Minutes of Regular School Board Meeting

Monday, November 18, 2019

The Board of Trustees

Boscobel Area Schools

A Regular School Board Meeting of the Board of Trustees of Boscobel Area Schools was held Monday, November 18, 2019, beginning at 6:30 PM in the District Office Board Meeting Room at 1110 Park Street, Boscobel, WI with Closed Session beginning at 6:00 PM, followed by Open Session.

Present: Todd Miller, Derek Zimpel, Wendi Stitzer, Kim Trumm, Kelly Trumm, Roger Knoble, Tim Haines

1. Call To Order – Proof of Public Notice- Todd Miller, Board President, called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.
2. Roll Call
3. Approval of Agenda

The closed session was ordered by Kim Trumm, second by Kelly Trumm at 6:00 p.m. in the district office board room. Motion carried.

Roll Call: Stitzer- Yes, Zimpel- Yes, Miller- Yes, Haines- Yes, Knoble- Yes, Kelly Trumm- Yes, Kim Trumm- Yes

4. The School Board May Adjourn to Closed Session pursuant to Wis. Stat. sec. 19.85(1)(c) for considering employment, promotion, compensation or performance evaluation data of a public employee and pursuant to Wis. Stat. sec. 19.85(1)(f) to discuss student record related matters, including open enrollment; to discuss and take action, if appropriate, concerning: A) Employment; and B) Alternative Open Enrollment Application(s)
5. Return to and reconvene in open session- Motion by Kim Trumm, second by Stitzer to reconvene into open session at 7:05 p.m. Motion carried.

Roll Call: Stitzer- Yes, Zimpel- Yes, Miller- Yes, Haines- Yes, Knoble- Yes, Kelly Trumm- Yes, Kim Trumm- Yes

6. Pledge of Allegiance and Moment of Silence
7. Action, if any is required by law to be taken in open session on items in closed session.
 - A) Employment

- 1) Elementary Special Education Teacher- Motion by Stitzer, second by Zimpel to approve Gerryanne Bohn as an elementary special education teacher at a salary of \$44,500. Motion carried.
- 2) Special Educational Paraprofessional- Motion by Zimpel, second by Stitzer to approve Julie Rosauer as a special education paraprofessional for the remainder of the 2019-2020 school year. Motion carried.
- 3) Winter Coaches- Motion by Zimpel, second by Kim Trumm to approve Russ Atkinson as Boys Basketball Freshman Coach, Jason Pickett as Wrestling Assistant Coach, and Stan Weigel as Wrestling Middle School Coach. Motion carried.
- 4) Spring Coaches- Motion by Stitzer, second by Kim Trumm to approve Matthew Fritz as Track and Field Co-Head Coach, Greg Bell as Track and Field Co-Head Coach, Bobby Harry as Track and Field Assistant Coach, Jeff Ostheimer as Track and Field Middle School Coach, Henry Bray as Baseball Head Coach, Claire Waltz-Uren as Softball Head Coach at a stipend of 5% of base, Corey Grassel as Softball Assistant Coach at a stipend of 4% of base, and Kelli Yonker as Softball Assistant Coach at a stipend of 3.2% of base. Greg Bell wanted to note that the stipend of Track and Field Head Coach would go all to Matthew Fritz. Motion carried.
- 5) Co-Curricular Contracts- Motion by Stitzer, second by Kelly Trumm to approve Charles Calabria as Musical/Drama Head Coach, Sarah McCraw as Musical/Drama Assistant Coach, Rhonda Scallon as Mock Trail Co-Head Coach, Jean Salzgeber as Mock Trial Co-Head Coach. Motion carried.
- 6) Substitute Teachers and Support Staff- Motion by Kim Trumm, second by Stitzer to approve Verna George to be substitute food service. Motion carried.

B) Alternative Open Enrollment Application(s)- None

8. **INFORMATION ITEMS**

A) Administrative Report

- 1) Elementary School Report- Danelle Schmid informed the board that the elementary school hosted a Veteran's Day program and it went very well. She also informed the board about a bill that is making its way to Governor Evers' desk regarding cursive writing. We still do cursive writing, so it would be nothing new to us. Danelle reported that we had 93% of families attend conferences. Some families that weren't able to make it have been in contact with the teachers to schedule a different time to meet.
- 2) Middle/High School Report- Wally Byrne reported that we have 42 students signed up to take AP exams this year with a total of 77 exams to be administered. Greg Bell briefly recapped the number of AP exams that we've administered over the past 5 years, which has shown an increase. Wally informed the board that the office has received training on the new sign at the middle/high school. FFA has donated changing tables for in the women's restroom, and will be donating one for the men's restrooms. Wally

reported that Skyler Reynolds class will be opening the coffee house back up again and selling “It’s A Great Day To Be A Bulldog” t-shirts. The course description booklet is currently being worked on and will be brought to the board in December. Wally informed the board that we did a live stream of the Veteran’s day program on Facebook and received a lot of positive feedback from that. Kelly asked about the business breakfast. The business breakfast will be on December 10th. We are currently working on a time for it to start. The 52nd Annual Madrigal Dinner will be on December 7th.

- a) FFA Presentation- Jeff Ostheimer recapped the summer program for FFA. In June he took 7 students to the state convention in Madison. Our chapter received a silver rating. Only 33 chapters received a gold, silver, or bronze rating. The students were able to attend different sessions. The University of Iowa did a safety training with students. Jeff attended the Summer Agriculture Teachers conference for 4 days. He informed the board of a few different trainings and educational opportunities that he did with the students throughout the summer that included officer training, area fairs, etc. Jeff recently took students to the FFA National Convention in Indianapolis. He informed the board that they stop at different places on the way to Indianapolis so the students have a few more educational opportunities they might not normally be able to experience.
- 3) Activities Report- Wayne Otto stated that currently athletics are in-between seasons and gave a brief wrap of the different sports. He mentioned that Madrigal is coming up on December 7th. Wayne informed the board that winter sports are just getting started. The conference realignment conversation has come to an end due to lack of interest from some of the Ridge and Valley administrators. The baseball and softball teams are interested in putting a retractable batting cage in the elementary gym or small gym. Discussion on the amount each club could donate along with the amount from the sports boosters.
- 4) Special Education Report- Laurie Genz Prien had to report for both Indicator 11 and Indicator 14 this fall. She informed the board that the Project Search tour day will be on December 5th.
- 5) District Office Report- Greg Bell reminded the board to let us know if they’re interested in going to the state convention in January. The Community Engagement Meeting is scheduled for December 3rd at 6:00 PM in the Bulldog Cafe. Bre Hellenbrand of M3 will be looking at the renewal for health insurance in the new few months to see if we can get less than a 6% increase. Greg reminded the board that we will still be paying less in the 2021-2022 school year than they were in the 2018-2019 school year due to the increase maximums. He gave the board an update on the HRA and how much we budgeted. We have started the work on the school calendar for 2020-2021 and will bring a recommendation to the December board meeting.
 - a) School Report Card- Greg briefly went over the school report card that was recently released. We have exceeded expectations at all the schools. We are currently working during PLCs to go through the data to see where we

need to improve. Greg briefly went through each school's report card and then covered the district wide report card. Our number in student achievement is lower than the state average on all the report cards. In the other priority areas of district growth, closing gaps, and on-track and postsecondary readiness, we exceed the state average.

9. Community Comments- Tonia Midtlien asked about Policy 8462.01- Threats of Violence. She asked who determines whether or not something is as serious threat? Greg Bell responded the person who receives the threat. Discussion regarding when law enforcement is brought into the picture. Also discussion about student code of classroom conduct. Tonia asked where is it stated that all other children are removed from a classroom instead of just the student causing the issue. Generally, we will try to remove the student causing the issue, but we will remove all the other students if the situation is escalating. Potential for handbook/policy to say that there is a possibility of a class could be displaced.

10. **ACTION ITEMS - OLD BUSINESS**

- A) Board Minutes- Motion by Zimpel, second by Kim Trumm to approve the October 7, 2019 and October 21, 2019 board minutes as presented. Motion carried.
- B) Budget Report- Motion by Kelly Trumm, second by Stitzer to approve the budget report as presented. Motion carried.
- C) Resolution Authorizing Withdrawal From Southwest Wisconsin Activities League and Membership in the Ridge and Valley Conference- No Motion

11. **ACTION ITEMS - NEW BUSINESS**

- A) Contracted Service
- 1) TruGreen- Motion by Stitzer, second by Haines to approve the TruGreen contract with the removal of recommended fall applications. Motion carried.
- B) Donations- Motion by Kim Trumm, second by Stitzer to approve the following donations with letters of thanks: Boscobel Lion's Club for \$100 to the elementary student council, Collision Specialists SSE for \$94, and Madison Community Foundation for \$1,686.22 to provide operational support for the school forest. Motion carried.
- C) Adjourn- Motion by Zimpel, second by Kelli Trumm to adjourn at 8:49 PM. Motion carried.

Respectfully Submitted by Tim Haines, Clerk