

Belmond-Klemme Community School District
Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors

Held in the Belmond-Klemme High School Library
411 Tenth Avenue Northeast, Belmond, Iowa 50421

Thursday, April 20, 2023

The Board of Directors for the Belmond-Klemme Community School District met for a regular board meeting at the above date in the Belmond-Klemme High School Library at 7:00 P.M. Board President Michelle Murphy called the meeting to order.

President Murphy asked for the roll to be called. The board secretary called the roll. Present for the meeting were Michelle Murphy, Sharon Barkema, Gary Berkland, Rick McDaniel, Ryan Meyer, and Jim Swenson. Absent was Marc Schlichting. Also, present were Superintendent Dan Frazier and Board Secretary McKenna Pentico. Board President Murphy determined that a quorum was present.

Board President Murphy called for a public hearing on the school budget for the 2024 fiscal year. There were no public comments. President Murphy closed the hearing.

Angie Hanson requested to speak to the board on a recap of wrestling. Ms. Hanson thanked the board for allowing the wrestling program to compete in Clarion this year.

Superintendent Frazier added Tiffany Landrum as Soccer Coach Assistant to 3(j) Employment: Personnel Resignations and Recommendations. Superintendent Frazier requested to strike items 3(g) Summer School Programs and 7(b)II Amendment of Fiscal Year 2023 School District Budget from the agenda.

Director Swenson moved to approve the amended agenda, seconded by McDaniel. Motion carried 6/0.

President Murphy asked for a motion to approve the consent agenda items:

- Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting from March 23, 2023;
- Financial Statements;
- Bills;
- School Board Policies: Review of Board Policies 503.1 through 504.6 Students;
- Telephone Service Contract;
- Snow Days and Last Days for the 2022-2023 School Year;
- Calendar Modifications for the 2023-2024 School Year;

- Teacher Leadership Cadre (TLC) Program;
- Employment: Personnel Resignations and Recommendations;
 - Accept the resignation of Tiffany Ahrens as elementary TLC Instructional Coach.
 - Accept the resignation of Leah Harsma as elementary classroom teacher.
 - Accept the resignation of Heather Danberg as middle school counselor.
 - Appoint Craig Johnson as an industrial technology teacher assigned to the secondary school. Mr. Johnson will be provided a salary of \$66,000, plus \$2,000 for sponsoring the robotics team.
 - Appoint Natasha Smith as an elementary teacher assigned to the upper grades. Ms. Smith will be placed in the BA Lane of the master agreement with a salary of \$48,060.
 - Assign Anthony Hansen as a Head Baker and Cook in the High School with credit for previous years of experience in Year 9 wage of \$17.15 per hour and Year 10 next year with terms according to the Master Agreement with the BKESA.
 - Transfer Krista Carlson from her position as para-educator to Secretary in the High School with terms of employment in accordance with the master contract and her wage at \$17.47 per hour.
 - Assign Tiffany Landrum as Assistant Soccer Coach.

Moved by Meyer, seconded by Berkland. Motion carried 6/0.

School Improvement: Graduation Rates

B-K's graduation rate remains above the states average graduation rate.

Superintendent's Report

Superintendent Frazier reported on the After-Action Report for the Lock-Out on Wednesday afternoon, April 12, 2023. Superintendent Frazier gave the high school compliments for doing exactly what they had to do and have been trained to do in these situations. Director McDaniel complimented the school on doing everything correctly and stated that this helped the school district learn any flaws and work them out for future safety.

Principal's Report

Principal Jensen reported on prom quickly approaching. Jensen complimented the Wright County Soccer program and how the schools were working together nicely. Jensen reported that Jazz band placed third at the state competition.

Principal Young reported on the 3rd and 4th grade music concert and the annual talent shows that recently happened. Preschool round up is approaching quickly and the kindergarten class is expected to be quite large. The elementary has a lot of upcoming events such as the book fair, field trips, and a children's book author coming in to present to the students.

Election of a Vice President

President Murphy asked for nominations for Vice President. There was a nomination for Ryan Meyer from Swenson, and a nomination for Rick McDaniel from Meyer. Sharon Barkema, Gary Berkland, Rick McDaniel, Michelle Murphy, and Jim Swenson voted for Ryan Meyer. Ryan Meyer voted for Rick McDaniel. Board Secretary McKenna Pentico administered the Oath of Office to newly elected Vice President Ryan Meyer on 4/25/2023.

Proposed Budget for 2023-2024 School Year

Director McDaniel moved to adopt the budget for the 2023-2024 school year, seconded by Swenson. Motion carried 6/0.

The Transfer of Excess in the Debt Service Fund to the Physical Plant and Equipment Levy Fund

Director Barkema introduced and caused to be read the Resolution hereinafter set out and moved its adoption; seconded by Director Berkland. After due consideration thereof by the Board, the President put the question upon the adoption of said Resolution and, the roll being called, the following Directors voted:

Aye: Sharon Barkema, Gary Berkland, Rick McDaniel, Ryan Meyer, Michelle Murphy, Jim Swenson.

Nay: None

Whereupon, the President declared said Resolution duly adopted as follows;

WHEREAS, pursuant Code of Iowa 298A.10 permits transfer of excess balance in the debt service fund to the physical plant and equipment levy fund upon the completion of a project. Such transfers must be accomplished through official board action and may not be accomplished until the Board authorizes the transfer by resolution;

WHEREAS, the Board deems it necessary and desirable to make permanent transfer between funds within the current fiscal year;

WHEREAS, the Board wishes to take action to adopt a Resolution authorizing the transfer between funds;

NOW, THEREFORE, be it resolved by the Board:

Section 1: The Board of Directors of the Belmond-Klemme Community School District of Wright County of the State of Iowa makes a motion to authorize permanent transfer from the Debt Service Fund to the Physical Plant and Equipment Levy Fund in the amount of \$94,749.69.

Section 2: The Board Secretary, Superintendent, and/or Business Manager are authorized and directed to take all appropriate actions to comply with the requirements of the transfer resolution.

Section 3: All resolutions or orders or parts thereof in conflict herewith be and the same are hereby repealed to the extent of such conflict.

Passed and approved the 20th day of April, 2023.

Michelle Murphy, Board President

Attest: McKenna Pentico, Board Secretary

Summer Work and Summer Temporary Employees

Director Barkema moved to approve a budget of \$80,000 for the summer work planned by the school district, seconded by Meyer. Motion carried 6/0.

Director McDaniel moved to approve adding seven temporary employees with the budget of \$20,800 for summer cleaning and maintenance in the school district, seconded by Berkland. Motion carried 6/0.

Advocacy to the State Legislature

The board shared their concerns about book banning.

Renewing the Voted Physical Plant and Equipment Levy

Superintendent Frazier reported on the PPEL fund and data of other schools in Iowa.

Board Comments and Future Agenda Planning

Director McDaniel complimented the E-Sports team and the good sportsmanship they have.

Adjourn

President Murphy asked for a motion for adjourn the meeting. With no further business there was a motion to adjourn moved by McDaniel, seconded by Barkema at 8:04 P.M.

Michelle Murphy, Board President

Date

McKenna Pentico, Board Secretary

Date