

# **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, January 19, 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, Heather Ridgway, Gary Berkland, Rick McDaniel, Ryan Meyer, and Jim Swenson. Absent was Sharon Barkema. Also, present were Superintendent Dan Frazier and Board Secretary McKenna Pentico. President Murphy determined that a quorum was present.

President Murphy asked for a motion to approve the agenda. Director Swenson moved to approve the agenda, seconded by Berkland. Motion carried 6/0.

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

- Minutes of the Regular Meeting from December 15, 2022;
- Financial Statements;
- Bills;
- Review of Board Policies 401.1 through 412.4 Employees
- Contract with Central Rivers AEA for Work Experience Instructional Services
- Resignations and Retirements under Board Policy 407.6 Licensed Employee Early Retirement
- Employment: Personnel Resignations and Recommendations
  - Accept the resignation of Tiffany Landrum as Varsity Assistant Girls Soccer Coach.
  - Assign Brianne Pralle as a para-educator in Jacobson Elementary working with special education with terms of employment at entry level in accordance with the master contract (beginning wage \$15.13 per hour) at 7.25 hours per day.
  - Assign Shelby Wiegmann as a para-educator in Jacobson Elementary working with special education with terms of employment at entry level in accordance with the master contract (beginning wage at \$15.13 per hour) at 7.25 hours per day.
  - Assign Cory Yoder as Junior High Boys Track Coach with his salary at Year 1 for \$1,845 according to the master agreement.

Moved by McDaniel, seconded by Ridgway. Motion carried 6/0.

## Reports

### Report of Independent Auditor Rachelle Thompson

Ms. Thompson reported to the Board the finding in the FY2022 audit.

### Business Manager's Mid-year Budget Report

Ms. Greenfield presented the expenditures and revenues for the adopted budget for FY2022-2023 school year.

### English Language Learners Program

Not available to report due to the snow day.

### School Improvement: Enrollment Data Disaggregated by Race, National Origin, Gender, and Disability

Mrs. Stein reported on the improvements that the secondary school has had compared to 2021-2022 with gender and race imbalances in the classroom. With the goal to make sure all students are having a well-rounded education.

### Junior Class and Fund raising

Not available to report due to snow day.

### Superintendents Report

Superintendent Frazier reported on the Telemedicine grant that began in 2019 has now expired. The hospital nor the school has the ability to sustain the program. Superintendent Frazier also reported that in support of Governor Reynolds and her ban on TikTok, the schools will ban TikTok on all school devices.

### Principals' Report

Principal Jensen mentioned starting the new semester. She also mentioned Jazz Band placed 2<sup>nd</sup> in Triton Jazz Festival.

### Submission of Audit Report

This report was not ready to present to the board.

### Enrollment Projections

This report was not ready to present to the board.

### Redistricting – New Director Districts Resolution

Director Swenson introduced the following Resolution and moved that it be adopted. Director Meyer seconded the motion to adopt. The roll was called and the vote was: AYES: Gary

Berkland, Rick McDaniel, Ryan Meyer, Michelle Murphy, Heather Ridgway, and Jim Swenson.  
NAYS: None

Whereupon, the President declared the Resolution duly adopted as follows:

WHEREAS, Iowa Code Section 275.23A provides that a public-school district which has a board of directors with members representing director districts shall be divided into director districts according to standards specified in state law; and

WHEREAS, following each federal decennial census the board of directors of the school district is required to 1) determine whether the school district's existing director district boundaries conform to state law; 2) redraw director district boundaries when appropriate; 3) prepare the necessary materials related to director district boundaries required for submission to the Secretary of State, County Auditor(s), and Area Education Agency; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Directors of the Belmond-Klemme Community School District has members who are elected from director districts and the Belmond-Klemme Community School District is current divided into five director districts and the district will retain the current method of election moving forward; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Directors of the Belmond-Klemme Community School District has reviewed 2020 populations of existing director districts and determined that director districts will need to be redrawn to conform to state law based on the 2020 federal census population; and

WHEREAS, the new proposed director district boundaries are described and depicted on a map attached hereto as Exhibit A.

#### EXHIBIT A:

WRITTEN DESCRIPTION OF BELMOND-KLEMME DIRECTOR DISTRICTS-EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2023

DIRECTOR DISTRICT 1: All the area within the school district in Avery Township, Hancock County that is north of 110<sup>th</sup> Street (also known as Highway B 63 E) excluding the area within the 2020 corporate limits of the city of Goodell and excluding a small area of the school district that is north of 110<sup>th</sup> Street and west of Vail Avenue in Section 27; all the area within the school district in Twin Lake Township, Hancock County (excluding the city of Goodell); all of the area within the school district in Ell Township, Hancock county including the city of Klemme; all of the area within the school district in Liberty Township, Hancock County.

DIRECTOR DISTRICT 2: All of the area with the city of Belmond (2020 corporate limits) bounded by a line beginning at the west corporate limits and US Highway 69 (also known as River Avenue N): thence southerly along US Highway 69 to 3<sup>rd</sup> Street NE, thence easterly on 7<sup>th</sup> Street NE to Taylor Avenue, thence northerly on Taylor Avenue to the north 2020 corporate limits of the city of Belmond, thence westerly and southerly along the corporate limits to the point of beginning; all of the area within Pleasant Township that is west and south of 120<sup>th</sup> Street and Taylor Avenue.

DIRECTOR DISTRICT 3: All the area within the school district in Franklin County; all of the area within the school district in Blaine Township, Wright County; all of the area within the school district in Iowa Township, Wright County including the city of Rowan; all of the area within the school district in Pleasant Township, Wright County excluding area within the city of Belmond 2020 corporate limits and excluding Pleasant Township area that is south and west of 120<sup>th</sup> Street and Taylor Avenue; all of the area within the school district in Belmond Township, Wright County excluding area within the city of Belmond 2020 corporate limits; all of the area

within the school district in Norway Township, Wright County; all of the area within the school district in Avery Township, Hancock County that is south of 110<sup>th</sup> Street (also known as Highway B 63 E) including a small area north of 110<sup>th</sup> Street that is west of Vail Avenue in Section 27; all of the area within the 2020 corporate limits of the city of Goodell.

DIRECTOR DISTRICT 4: All of the area with the city of Belmond (2020 corporate limits) that is south and west of a line beginning at the west corporate limits and US Highway 69 (also known as River Avenue N): thence southerly along US Highway 69 to 3<sup>rd</sup> Street NE, thence easterly on 3<sup>rd</sup> Street NE to 4<sup>th</sup> Avenue NE, thence southerly on 4<sup>th</sup> Avenue NE to 1<sup>st</sup> Street NE, thence easterly on 1<sup>st</sup> Street NE to 5<sup>th</sup> Avenue NE, thence southerly on 5<sup>th</sup> Avenue NE to 5<sup>th</sup> Avenue SE, thence continuing southerly on 5<sup>th</sup> Avenue SE to 1<sup>st</sup> Street SE, thence easterly on 1<sup>st</sup> Street SE to Montclare Lane, thence southwesterly along Montclare Lane to Windsor Place, thence easterly on Windsor place to Luicks Lane S, thence southerly along Luicks Lane S to Taylor Avenue, thence continuing southerly on Taylor Avenue to the south corporate limits of the city of Belmond.

DIRECTOR DISTRICT 5: All of the area with the city of Belmond (2020 corporate limits) that is east of a line beginning at the east corporate limits and Taylor Avenue: thence southerly on Taylor Avenue to 7<sup>th</sup> Street NE, thence westerly on 7<sup>th</sup> Street NE to 8<sup>th</sup> Avenue NE, thence southerly on 8<sup>th</sup> Avenue NE to 3<sup>rd</sup> Street NE, thence west on 3<sup>rd</sup> Street NE to 4<sup>th</sup> Avenue NE, thence southerly on 4<sup>th</sup> Avenue NE to 1<sup>st</sup> Street NE, thence easterly on 1<sup>st</sup> street NE to 5<sup>th</sup> Avenue NE, thence southerly on 5<sup>th</sup> Avenue NE to 5<sup>th</sup> Avenue SE, thence continuing southerly on 5<sup>th</sup> Avenue SE to 1<sup>st</sup> Street SE, thence easterly on 1<sup>st</sup> Street SE to Montclare Lane, thence southwesterly along Montclare Lane to Windsor Place, thence easterly on Windsor Place to Luicks Lane S, thence southerly along Luicks Lane S to Taylor Avenue, thence continuing southerly on Taylor Avenue to the south corporate limits of the city of Belmond.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE BELMOND-KLEMME COMMUNITY SCHOOL DISTRICT:

Section 1. That the proposed redistricting plan redrawing director district boundaries of the Belmond-Klemme Community School District following the 2020 federal census population tabulations is adopted and the Board of Directors hereby authorizes the redrawing of such necessary director district boundaries to become effective July 1, 2023.

Section 2. That the appropriate officials of the Belmond-Klemme Community School are authorized to make all certifications and submit any and all information necessary and required by law regarding the redistricting plan to the Iowa Secretary of State, County Auditor(s), and Area Education Agency.

PASSED AND ADOPTED this 19<sup>th</sup> day of January, 2023.

BY: Michelle Murphy, President, Board of Directors of Belmond-Klemme Community School District.

ATTEST: McKenna Pentico, Secretary, Board of Directors of Belmond-Klemme Community School District.

Personnel Job Postings and Hiring Plan

- The board tabled the discussion of a \$5,000 sign on bonus for the hiring of three hard to fill teaching positions until the next meeting.
- Director Berkland moved to approve posting for employment of a Computers and Information Systems full-time teaching position, seconded by McDaniel. Motion carried 6/0.
- Director Ridgway moved to approve posting for employment of two full-time teaching positions in Lower Elementary and Upper Elementary, seconded by Meyer. Motion carried 6/0.

Advocacy to the State Legislature

The board discussed their concerns with vouchers and its effect on rural schools.

Filling a School Board Vacancy

Superintendent Frazier explained to the board options on how to fill the vacancy after Director Ridgway resigned. The board decided to ask the individual that Director Ridgway ran against in the last election and if the individual declines the board will be accepting applications for a new director.

School Calendar for 2023-2024

The board approved of the school calendar for the 2023-2024 school year.

Adjourn

President Murphy asked for a motion to adjourn the meeting. With no further business there was a motion to adjourn moved by Swenson; seconded by Ridgway at 9:08 P.M.

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Michelle Murphy, Board President

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Date

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McKenna Pentico, Board Secretary

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Date