

Special Board Minutes (Draft)

Thursday, September 17, 2023 @ 2:00 p.m.

Administration Conference Room

Present: Brian Gallup-Chair, Donna YellowOwl, Steve Conway, James RunningFisher. Via Phone: James Evans, Rae TallWhiteman. **Absent:** Lockley Bremner, Michael Hoyt.

Mr. Gallup called the meeting to order at 2:00 p.m.

Approval of Agenda: Motion by Ms. YellowOwl to approve the agenda with no changes. Second by Mr. RunningFisher. Motion passed with Brian Gallup, Donna YellowOwl, Steve Conway, James RunningFisher, James Evans, Rae TallWhiteman voting for.

Public Comment: None.

ITEMS OF ACTION

Hiring: Motion by Mr. Conway to approve the following hires pending successful background checks/drug tests: Bruce L. Schildt, Head Cook-KW Vina; Kassandra M. Kennerly, Assistant Cook-BMS and Ellen Christoferson, Elementary Teacher-Big Sky Colony Renewal/Non-Renewal 2023-2024 (\$43,944.00). Second by Ms. YellowOwl. No public participation. No board discussion. Motion passed with Brian Gallup, Donna YellowOwl, Steve Conway, James RunningFisher, James Evans, Rae TallWhiteman voting for.

Motion by Mr. Conway approve the following hires pending successful background checks/drug tests: Brynlee St. Goddard, High School Custodian, George Grandchamp, High School Custodian, Aaron McLean, BHS Assistant Golf Coach 2023-2024 (\$2,064.00) and Monty Lucke, BHS Assistant Soccer Coach 2023-2024 (\$2,064.00). Second by Ms. YellowOwl. No public participation. No board discussion. Motion passed with Brian Gallup, Donna YellowOwl, Steve Conway, James RunningFisher, James Evans, Rae TallWhiteman voting for.

Motion by Mr. RunningFisher to approve hiring Dalaina Grant, Director of Child Nutrition-Food Service 2023-2024 (\$62,000.00) pending successful background check/drug test. No public participation. No board discussion. Motion passed with Brian Gallup, Donna YellowOwl, Steve Conway, James RunningFisher, James Evans, Rae TallWhiteman voting for.

In State Travel: Motion by Ms. YellowOwl to approve in state travel for Tony Wagner, Western A Athletic Directors Meeting, Missoula, MT (\$318.24). Second by Mr. RunningFisher. No public participation. No board discussion. Motion passed with Brian Gallup, Donna YellowOwl, Steve Conway, James RunningFisher, James Evans, Rae TallWhiteman voting for.

Approvals: Motion by Ms. YellowOwl to approve Amend #3510 School Sponsored Activities-8th Grade Participation Revision. Second by Mr. Conway. *Board discussion:* Ms. TallWhiteman stated felt that Cross Country should not be on the list and only have 8th grade participation for soccer, tennis and golf. Mr. Gallup stated there only 4 out for golf and BPS can take them as individuals; they would not be golfing as a team and there are 2 coaches and asked why they would need an assistant coach. Superintendent Hall stated they need 2 coaches. Ms. YellowOwl requested to know what 2 board members asked to have this back on the agenda. Mr. Conway felt that it does not matter who requested it.

Lockley Bremner entered meeting at 2:05 p.m.

Superintendent Hall stated that the policy was brought back for the 8th grade participation without bb, fb, or vb. Mr. Gallup stated that there are some board questioning why this was brought back and noted that he did have a discussion with Mr. Wagner on this because there are only 4 golfers and BPS needs 5 to have a team. Ms. TallWhiteman asked if we are going to have problems with the rooming list because of the 8th graders and felt that

this is important because of bullying; there are some spots that could potentially be taken by an 8th grader and they are uncomfortable. Also, Ms. TallWhiteman asked about an 8th grader trying to date a high schooler; there will need to be someone to watch them and there are also maturity issues. Mr. Bremner stated that he talked with Mr. Wagner about revising the policy and also noted that he does not want to cut anyone for an 8th grader. Mr. Gallup stated there could be issues with Title IX. Mr. Gallup stated he will support a request to amend the motion and also stated they need to make sure nothing happens with 8th graders and if there are enough high schoolers to make a team, BPS will not consider an 8th grader. Mr. Bremner asked if parents can attend. Superintendent Hall stated they will be required to have a background check. Mr. Bremner asked if the students can participate in multiple sports and Mr. Wagner stated yes, but most kids don't know that. Mr. Conway motioned to approve the modification for only soccer and golf. Second by Mr. Evans. Motion passed with Brian Gallup, Steve Conway, Lockley Bremner, James Evans, voting for and Donna YellowOwl, Rae TallWhiteman, James RunningFisher voting opposed.

Motion by Ms. YellowOwl to approve the following items: Soliant, LLC, Teleservice-School Psychologist Services, 2023-2024; Soliant, LLC, Teleservice-School Occupational Therapy Services, 2023-2024 and Purchases Over \$10,000.00. Second by Mr. Conway. Motion passed with Brian Gallup, Donna YellowOwl, Steve Conway, James RunningFisher, James Evans, Rae TallWhiteman voting for.

Superintendent Hall asked the board to schedule a special on Monday, August 21, 2023 at noon so that a CSA can be approved for Temporary Technology (IT) support. Board Members agreed.

Motion by Ms. YellowOwl to adjourn at 2:18 pm. Second by Mr. RunningFisher. Motion passed with Brian Gallup, Donna YellowOwl, Steve Conway, James RunningFisher, James Evans, Rae TallWhiteman voting for.

Respectfully submitted:

_____ Carlene Adamson, Board Secretary

_____ Brian Gallup, Board Chairperson

_____ Gwyn Andersen, District Clerk