BOYCEVILLE COMMUNITY SCHOOL DISTRICT BOARD OF EDUCATION Boyceville Middle/High School Library Wednesday, July 16, 2025

Minutes Report

The Board of Education of the Boyceville Community School District met in regular session on Wednesday, July 16, 2025, at 6:02 p.m. in the Middle/High School Library.

Board members present: Amber Carlsrud, Stacy Fetzer, Sharon Formoe, Ben Mrdutt, and Jessie Olson

Others present: Superintendent Nick Kaiser, Alesha Kersten, Emmaly Monfort, Pat Gretzlock, Jerim DesJarlais, Becky Hanestad, Alex Larson/CESA 10, Taylor Pitt, Katie Ouellette, Christina Mittlestadt, Meghan Olson, Angie Hellmann, and Rene Bettendorf of the Tribune Press Reporter.

Motion by Sharon Formoe to approve the agenda rearranging line items 6a-6c as follows: 6a.Character Strong Counseling Presentation, 6b. Kindergarten-5th Grade Elementary Math Curriculum Presentation, 6c. CESA 10 Referendum Update. Seconded by Stacy Fetzer. Motion carried.

Motion by Stacy Fetzer to approve the Board of Education meeting minutes of June 11, 2025, as presented. Seconded by Ben Mrdutt. Motion carried.

Visitor's Welcome & Comments

President Amber Carlsrud welcomed those in attendance. No comments were made.

Information & Discussion Items

<u>Character Strong Counseling Presentation</u> – TCE Counselor, Taylor Pitt, along with TCE ELC Teacher, Katie Ouellette, presented an overview of the Character Strong program to the Board. Taylor reported that teachers rated the program 9/10 in overall satisfaction and 8.7/10 in effectiveness. In the 2025-2026 school year, TCE will focus on the tier II program that included targeted intervention with students.

Additionally, Taylor reported on the "Clubs" program at TCE where students can connect with other students and adults. Students in grades 3rd-5th grade sign up for a club that interests them. Positive feedback from the students.

Bulldog Pantry - Taylor and Middle School Counselor, Gretchen Pederson, continue to expand the Bulldog Pantry program to help our students/families with resources in our community when in need.

<u>Kindergarten-5th Grade Math Curriculum Presentation</u> - Principal DesJarlais, Meghan Olson, Angie Hellmann, and Christina Mittlestadt presented the review process for

selecting a math curriculum for grades kindergarten through 5th grade. i-Ready was selected as the best choice for a math curriculum based on criteria defined by essential standards and student/teacher feedback to present to the Board as the recommendation for a new math curriculum for our students.

<u>CESA 10 Update</u> – Alex Larson from CESA 10 updated the Board on current and upcoming referendum projects.

- Boilers installed
- Roofing replacement
- LED lighting upgrades
- TCE and MS/HS Office renovation
- Carpeting
- Masonry work
- Tuck pointing and cleaning exterior brick

Alex discussed preliminary ideas for designs for the tech ed areas in phase 2. He requested to have a finalized list from the Board of phase 2 items by November.

<u>Crime Statistics Report</u> – Superintendent Kaiser shared with the Board that the Crime Statistics Report that is required by Act 12 has been submitted. This is a new annual requirement.

Superintendent's Report – Mr. Nick Kaiser

- The annual school district audit will be conducted the week of July 14. Most will be done virtually.
- The budget for this year is still hard to predict. Uncertainty of funds from the Federal government is causing some concern, plus we do not have final numbers for State Aid. Our preliminary numbers are up slightly from the larger loss we had last year.
- Our custodial staff has been working hard getting our buildings ready for the fall and managing to work around all the construction.
- The Annual Meeting of the Boyceville Community School District is scheduled for Wednesday, October 8th at 6:00 p.m.
- Referendum planning has been on-going with many meetings this summer. These will continue throughout the fall as we gather plans for next summer.
- Fall sports seasons are fast approaching. It has been nice to see a lot of students around the building this summer.

Action Items

<u>Treasurer's Report</u> - Motion by Sharon Formoe to approve Check Numbers: 1439-1446, 16346-16352, 83375-83415, 83422-83465 and the ACH payments made by PMA as presented totaling \$321,950.76 from Fund 10, the General Fund and \$430,315.40 from Fund 49, the Referendum Fund. Seconded by Stacy Fetzer. Motion carried.

<u>2024-2025 Budget Revisions</u> - Our District Accountant, Emmaly Monfort, gave an overview of final budget revisions. This report was for informational purposes only. No action was taken.

<u>2025-2026 Preliminary Budget</u> - The 2025-2026 Preliminary Budget has total estimated expenses of \$10,497,082 and total estimated revenues of \$10,497,082. Anticipating a balanced budget. Motion by Sharon Formoe to approve the 2025-2026 preliminary budget as presented. Seconded by Stacy Fetzer. Motion carried.

<u>Tru-Lock Quote for the Addition of Key Fob Security Upgrades</u> – Motion by Sharon Formoe to approve the Tru-Lock Quotes for the upgraded security for our buildings. Seconded by Jessie Olson. Motion carried.

<u>i-Ready Math Curriculum</u> – Motion by Ben Mrdutt to approve the i-Ready Math Curriculum for grades Kindergarten – 5th Grade. Seconded by Sharon Formoe. Motion carried.

<u>2025-2026 Wisconsin Model Academic Standards</u> - DPI has developed a timeline & uses a comprehensive process for reviewing and revising academic standards on a yearly basis. Motion by Ben Mrdutt to approve the 2025-2026 Wisconsin Model Academic Standards. Seconded by Stacy Fetzer. All in favor. Motion carried.

<u>2025-2026 Student/Parent Guidebook Revisions (TCE & MS/HS)</u> – Motion by Stacy Fetzer to approve the TCE Student/Parent Guidebook as presented and approve the Middle/High School Student/Parent Guidebook as presented; specifically, the revisions to the cell phone use guidelines. Seconded by Ben Mrdutt. Motion carried.

<u>2025-2026 Food Service Prices</u> – Motion by Stacy Fetzer to approve the presented food service prices for the 2025-2026 school year as follows. Seconded by Ben Mrdutt. Motion carried.

Breakfast \$1.85 (All students)

\$3.00 (Adults)

Lunch \$2.95 (4k-5)

\$3.10 (6-8) \$3.10 (9-12)

\$5.00 (Adults)

<u>Overnight Field Trip Request</u> – Motion by Ben Mrdutt to approve the FFA Officer Retreat overnight field trip request. Seconded by Jessie Olson. Motion carried.

<u>Grants/Donations</u> – Motion by Ben Mrdutt to accept AnnMarie Foundation Grants of \$521 awarded to John Huevos to purchase Forensics/Speech material and \$1,300 awarded to Jacob Peterson to purchase seed kits for a plant science project. Seconded by Jessie Olson. Motion carried.

Adjournment to closed session under Wis. Statutes 19.85 (1)(c) for the purpose of discussing employment, promotion, compensation or performance evaluation data of any public employee over which the governmental body has jurisdiction or exercises

responsibility. The board will review retirements/resignations, new hires, and 2025-2026 staffing and teacher compensation.

Motion by Ben Mrdutt to adjourn to closed session. Second by Sharon Formoe. All voted in favor. Motion carried. The meeting adjourned to closed session at 7:54 p.m.

The meeting reconvened in open session at 9:18 p.m. for the purpose of taking action as deemed necessary or appropriate on any matter discussed or deliberated upon in closed session.

Motion by Ben Mrdutt to accept the resignation of Monica Miranda as Prom Advisor and Wrestling Cheerleading Advisor. Seconded by Sharon Formoe. Motion carried.

Motion by Sharon Formoe to approve the hiring recommendation of Brittanee Despres as a Part-Time Occupational Therapist. Seconded by Jessie Olson. Motion carried.

Motion by Stacy Fetzer to approve the hiring recommendation of John Huevos as the Assistant Drama Director. Seconded by Ben Mrdutt. Motion carried.

Motion by Sharon Formoe to approve a one-time 2025-2026 Teacher Longevity Stipend as follows. Seconded by Ben Mrdutt. Stacy Fetzer abstained – conflict of interest. Motion carried.

1-4 Years \$500 5-9 Years \$750 10-19 Years \$1,000 20-29 Years \$1,250 30+ Years \$1,500

Motion by Stay Fetzer to adjourn the meeting. Second by Sharon Formoe. Motion carried. The meeting adjourned at 9:20 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by Alesha Kersten for

Stacy Fetzer, School Board Clerk