

REGULAR  
SCHOOL BOARD MEETING  
March 27, 2023, 7:00 p.m.

President Matt Boebel called the regular meeting of the Board of Education in Bloomingdale Elementary School District 13 to order at 7:00 p.m. on Monday, March 27, 2023 in an in person and virtual setting. The District invited the public to join the School Board this evening by Zoom webinar platform.

Pledge of Allegiance

Roll Call

Present: Mr. Terry McKeown, Ms. Tamara Peterson, Mrs. Linda Wojcicki, Mrs. Kari Zehme, Mr. Matt Boebel

Absent: Mr. Patrick Devitt, Mr. Michael Lenisa

Others Present: Dr. Jon Bartelt, Shannon Whitaker, Valerie Varhalla, Nicole Gabany, Rick McCall

**Above and Beyond** – Board Member Kari Zehme recognized this month’s Above and Beyond recipients, Marie Devore (DuJardin), Carson Koverman (Erickson) and Andrea Zhelyazkov (Westfield).

**Consent Agenda**

A motion was made by Ms. Peterson and seconded by Mrs. Zehme to approve the items in the Consent Agenda which included Minutes from the Regular Board Meeting held on 2-27-23. Approval of Bills in the Education Fund in the amount of \$123,384.39; the Operations and Maintenance Fund in the amount of \$81,808.50; Debt Service in the amount of \$1,864.30; Transportation Fund in the amount of \$144,893.90; Capital Projects in the amount of \$0.00; and Tort Fund in the amount of \$0.00; Payroll (2-24-2023) in the amount of \$456,889.98 and (3-10-2023) in the amount of \$512,442.90, as shown in (F.D. 3/27/23-1); the Fund Balance Report as shown in (F.D. 3/27/23-2); the Balance Sheet as shown in (F.D. 3/27/23-3); the Revenue Report as shown in (F.D. 3/27/23-4); the Expenditure Report as shown in (F.D. 3/27/23-5); and Activity Report as shown in (F.D. 3/27/23-6); **New Hires**, Chanell Lopez, Payroll/Benefits Coordinator at the District for a salary of \$61,000, Robyn Palermo, Paraprofessional at Erickson for a salary of \$15.00/Hr., Anthony Tellez, Night Custodian at DuJardin for a salary of \$16.00/Hr.; **Resignations/Retirements**, Caroline Knoff, Teacher at Erickson effective 6/30/23, Zachary Hendry, Teacher at DuJardin effective 6/08/23, Gina Pecoraro, Teacher at DuJardin effective 6/08/23; **Change of Position**, Jeffrey Fisher, Night Custodian at DuJardin to Day Custodian at DuJardin; **Leaves**, Lesya Gnatyuk, Parental Leave effective 8/1/23.

## Roll Call Vote

Ayes: Peterson, Zehme, McKeown, Wojcicki, Boebel

Nays: None

Abstained: None

Motion Carried: 5 – 0

## **Superintendent's Report**

### Staffing Plan Presentation

Dr. Bartelt walked the Board through the elements of the staffing plan, and how the data is used to help structure the budget for the District.

### ABC Award

Dr. Bartelt explained that the Board and Union worked together to help create the A Bloomingdale Champion (ABC) award, a new way to recognize staff and community members.

### Community Forum

Dr. Bartelt indicated that the District's final Community Forum will be held on Monday, April 17th at 7:00 p.m. in the Westfield Middle School commons. The topic of the forum will be student online safety.

### Board Workshop

Dr. Bartelt shared that the Board Workshop (Starting Right), led by the Illinois Association of School Boards (IASB) will be held on Tuesday, June 13th at 6:00 p.m.

## **Public Comment**

None

## **Board Reports and Requests**

BIG – Dr. Bartelt indicated that there was no meeting this month.

CHARACTER COUNTS! Coalition – Mrs. Wojcicki reported that there is a meeting next week and are working on the recognition breakfast scheduled for August.

Education Foundation – Mrs. Wojcicki shared that they will be awarding approximately \$12,000 in teacher grants at Spring Fling. She also indicated that their spring event has been postponed until fall.

LEND - Mrs. Zehme reported that the last meeting was held on March 17th via Zoom, where they reviewed several bills. The next in person meeting is scheduled for April 28th. There will be a LEND Lobbying day on April 19th in Springfield.

NDSEC – Ms. Peterson stated that they approved the contract of new Assistant Director, Susan Zikuda. She also indicated that their teacher contract is up this year, but they are having trouble getting a Uniserv Director to find time to meet prior to negotiations.

Bloomington Council of Teachers – Mr. Boebel stated that at the last meeting, they focused on finalizing the ABC Award. The group will be taking a break over the summer months.

School Reports – None

### **Freedom of Information Act Requests**

Mr. Boebel indicated that there were no FOIA requests this month.

### **Action Items**

#### Approval of Literacy Curricular Resources (F.D. 3/27/23-7)

A motion was made by Ms. Peterson and seconded by Mrs. Wojcicki for the Board to approve the purchase of literacy resources and professional development from Amplify CKLA and ELA for \$393,488.28, as presented.

#### Roll Call Vote

Ayes: Peterson, Wojcicki, McKeown, Zehme, Boebel

Nays: None

Motion Carried: 5 – 0

Approval of Capital Projects for the Summer of 2023 (F.D. 3/27/23-8)

A motion was made by Mrs. Wojcicki and seconded by Mrs. Zehme for the Board to approve the capital project list for the summer of 2023, as presented.

Roll Call Vote

Ayes: Wojcicki, Zehme, McKeown, Peterson, Boebel

Nays: None

Motion Carried: 5 – 0

Approval of Intergovernmental Agreement with the DuPage State's Attorney's Office and the DuPage Regional Office of Education (F.D. 3/27/23-9)

A motion was made by Mr. McKeown and seconded by Ms. Peterson for the Board to Approve the intergovernmental agreement with the DuPage State's Attorney's Office and the DuPage Regional Office of Education, as presented.

Roll Call Vote

Ayes: McKeown, Peterson, Wojcicki, Zehme, Boebel

Nays: None

Motion Carried: 5 – 0

Approval of Intergovernmental Agreement with the Illinois State Police (F.D. 3/27/23-10)

A motion was made by Ms. Peterson and seconded by Mr. McKeown for the Board to Approve the intergovernmental agreement with the Illinois State Police, as presented.

Roll Call Vote

Ayes: Peterson, McKeown, Wojcicki, Zehme, Boebel

Nays: None

Motion Carried: 5 – 0

Approval of Second, Third, and Fourth Year Teacher Appointment/Tenure (F.D. 3/27/23-11)

A motion was made by Ms. Peterson and seconded by Mrs. Zehme for the Board to Approve the re-employment of teachers recommended for second, third, and fourth year contracts, as well as teachers on tenure track.

Roll Call Vote

Ayes: Peterson, Zehme, McKeown, Boebel

Nays: None

Abstained: Wojcicki

Motion Carried: 4 – 0 - 1

Resolution Authorizing Honorable Dismissal of Teachers (F.D. 3/27/23-12)

A motion was made by Ms. Peterson and seconded by Mrs. Zehme for the Board to Approve the attached resolution regarding honorable dismissal of two teachers, as presented.

Roll Call Vote

Ayes: Peterson, Zehme, McKeown, Boebel

Nays: None

Abstained: Wojcicki

Motion Carried: 4 – 0 - 1

Approval of Retirement Requests (F.D. 3/27/23-13)

A motion was made by Mr. McKeown and seconded by Mrs. Wojcicki for the Board to approve the retirement requests of the teaching staff, as presented.

Roll Call Vote

Ayes: McKeown, Wojcicki, Peterson, Zehme, Boebel

Nays: None

Motion Carried: 5 – 0

Resolution of Gratitude for Intergovernmental Cooperation (F.D. 3/27/23-14)

A motion was made by Ms. Peterson and seconded by Mrs. Wojcicki for the Board to Approve the attached Resolution of Gratitude for Intergovernmental Cooperation, as presented.

Roll Call Vote

Ayes: Peterson, Wojcicki, McKeown, Zehme, Boebel

Nays: None

Motion Carried: 5 – 0

Approval of Retirement Requests (F.D. 3/27/23-15)

A motion was made by Mrs. Wojcicki and seconded by Mr. McKeown for the Board to Approve the attached amendment to the Superintendent's Contract, as presented.

Roll Call Vote

Ayes: Wojcicki, McKeown, Peterson, Zehme, Boebel

Nays: None

Motion Carried: 5 – 0

**Discussion Items**

Board Reorganization Meeting

Dr. Bartelt informed the Board that he is hoping to coordinate the Board reorganization meeting during the regular scheduled board meeting on April 24th. However, depending on the release of the canvass of official election results, the meeting could be scheduled on either Monday, May 1st or Monday, May 8th.

5 Year Financial Projections

Ms. Valerie Varhalla shared the five year financial projections for the District and outlined the rationale behind the forecast, then responded to questions by the Board.

**Topic(s) for Future Agendas**

None

**For Information**

Enrollment Update

Available for review in the Board packet.

NDSEC Profile

Available for review in the Board packet.

**Adjournment**

A motion was made by Ms. Peterson and seconded by Mrs. Wojcicki to adjourn the meeting. All ayes.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:06 p.m.

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Matt Boebel, President

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Linda Wojcicki, Secretary