

BLOOMINGDALE PUBLIC SCHOOLS
Board of Education
Agenda

Regular Board Meeting
High School Auditorium

January 23, 2023
6:00 p.m.

1. Call to Order
The meeting was called to order at 6:03pm by President Remington.
2. Pledge of Allegiance
3. Roll Call
Absent:
Present: Dan Stafford, Maria Sustaita, Josh Odell, Tim Remington, Magan Scherer,
Mark Parsley (arrived at 6:20), Jodi Sower
4. Public Comments
No public comments
5. Approval of Agenda/Changes
 - A. It was moved by Odell and supported by Scherer to approve the agenda with the change to move 9A to 5B, remove 9B, move 9H to New Business. Voice vote. Stafford - yes, Odell - yes, Scherer - yes, Sower - yes, Sustaita - yes, Remington - yes. Motion carried.
 - B. SRO Grant
Sheriff Dan Abbott presented an overview of the SRO program in VanBuren County schools.

It was moved by Sower and supported by Odell to approve the Van Buren County Sheriff's Office School Resource Deputy Program as presented. Roll call vote. Stafford - yes, Odell - yes, Scherer - yes, Sower - yes, Sustaita - yes, Remington - yes. Motion carried.
6. Board Appreciation
The building principals presented gifts from the students. Thank you for the time and effort you put into this job. Our district is a better place because of you.
7. Election of Board of Education Officers
 - A. President
It was moved by Odell and supported by Scherer to nominate Tim Remington for president of the Board of Education for 2023.

It was moved by Odell and supported by Stafford to close nominations and elect Tim Remington for president of the Board of Education for 2023. Roll call vote. Stafford - yes, Odell - yes, Scherer - yes, Sower - yes, Sustaita - yes, Remington - abstain. Motion carried.
 - B. Vice-President

It was moved by Scherer and supported by Sustaita to nominate Mark Parsley for vice-president of the Board of Education for 2023.

It was moved by Stafford and supported by Odell to close nominations and elect Mark Parsley for vice-president of the Board of Education for 2023. Roll call vote. Stafford - yes, Odell - yes, Scherer - yes, Parsley - abstain, Sower - yes, Sustaita - yes, Remington - yes. Motion carried.

C. Secretary

It was moved by Odell and supported by Scherer to nominate Jodi Sower for secretary of the Board of Education for 2023.

It was moved by Scherer and supported by Odell to close nominations and elect Jodi Sower for secretary of the Board of Education for 2023. Roll call vote. Stafford - yes, Odell - yes, Scherer - yes, Parsley - yes, Sower - abstain, Sustaita - yes, Remington - yes. Motion carried.

D. Treasurer

It was moved by Odell and supported by Scherer to nominate Maria Sustaita for treasurer of the Board of Education for 2023.

It was moved by Odell and supported by Scherer to close nominations and elect Maria Sustaita for treasurer of the Board of Education for 2023. Roll call vote. Stafford - yes, Odell - yes, Scherer - yes, Parsley - yes, Sower - yes, Sustaita - abstain, Remington - yes. Motion carried.

8. Board Information / Reports

A. Building Reports

Included in the packet

B. Board Committee Reports

Negotiations committee met to discuss creating a sick bank for employees. Nothing to present to the Board at this time.

9. Consent Agenda

A. Approval of Minutes from Regular Meeting – December 12, 2022

~~B. Committee Assignments~~

C. Schedule of Meeting Dates

D. Designation of Depositories for School Funds/Authorization to Invest Funds

E. Check Signature Authorizations

F. Authorizations to Sign Contracts, Agreements, and Purchase Orders

G. Designation of Superintendent to Complete Specified Responsibilities of Treasurer and/or Secretary

H. Coaching Recommendations *moved to 9A.*

I. Employee Resignation

J. Bills

It was moved by Odell and supported by Stafford to approve the consent agenda as presented. Roll call vote. Stafford - yes, Odell - yes, Scherer - yes, Parsley - yes, Sower - yes, Sustaita - yes, Remington - yes. Motion carried.

10. Old Business

- A. Bond Discussion
Mike from Tower Pinkster discussed how they are moving forward with our future bond project. Listening sessions today at all buildings. Have toured all buildings and are working with OAK's assessment from 2019.

11. New Business

- A. Coaching Recommendations (from 9H)
It was moved by Parsley and supported by Stafford to approve the coaching recommendations as presented. Roll call vote. Stafford - yes, Odell - yes, Scherer - yes, Sower - yes, Parsley - yes, Sustaita - yes, Remington - yes. Motion carried.
- B. Fundraiser Basketball Game
Saturday, February 25, 2023 in Fennville. All proceeds will go to Denise Lindsey's daughter's cancer treatment. Held at Fennville. Led by Fennville. Information will be shared with Mlive, channel 3, press release. Maybe a bake sale. Jason will get info to the Board to help with that.

It was moved by Scherer and supported by Stafford to approve the fundraiser basketball game as presented. Roll call vote. Stafford - yes, Odell - yes, Scherer - yes, Parsley - yes, Sower - yes, Sustaita - yes, Remington - yes. Motion carried.
- C. Employee Recommendation
It was moved by Sustaita and supported by Odell to approve hiring Hannah Felty as the MSHS school counselor as presented. Roll call vote. Stafford - yes, Odell - yes, Scherer - yes, Parsley - yes, Sower - yes, Sustaita - yes, Remington - yes. Motion carried.
- D. New Position
It was moved by Parsley and supported by Scherer to approve the library/math interventionist paraprofessional position as presented. Roll call vote. Stafford - yes, Odell - yes, Scherer - yes, Parsley - yes, Sower - yes, Sustaita - yes, Remington - yes. Motion carried.
- E. Survey Research
It was moved by Parsley and supported by Stafford to approve hiring EPIC MRA to provide our bond survey services at a price not to exceed \$13,250. Roll call vote. Stafford - yes, Odell - yes, Scherer - yes, Parsley - yes, Sower - yes, Sustaita - yes, Remington - yes. Motion carried.
- F. Millage Proposal
It was moved by Stafford and supported by Sustaita to approve the millage special election proposal as presented. Roll call vote. Stafford - yes, Odell - yes, Scherer - yes, Parsley - yes, Sower - yes, Sustaita - yes, Remington - yes. Motion carried.
- G. Technology Purchase Request
It was moved by Parsley and supported by Odell to approve the purchase of 16 Clevertouch interactive displays for a total of \$46,565 as presented. Roll call vote. Stafford - yes, Odell - yes, Scherer - yes, Parsley - yes, Sower - yes, Sustaita - yes, Remington - yes. Motion carried.
- H. STRIVE graduates

Nikki Meloche presented information regarding allowing STRIVE Academy students to walk at graduation. The Board would like to see policy and handbook changes prior to approving this process change.

I. Employee Retirements

It was moved by Stafford and supported by Scherer to approve the retirement of the employees as presented. Roll call vote. Stafford - yes, Odell - yes, Scherer - yes, Parsley - yes, Sower - yes, Sustaita - yes, Remington - yes. Motion carried.

J. Cardio Drumming

Fundraiser to purchase more equipment for the middle/high school physical education classes.

It was moved by Stafford and supported by Scherer to approve the use of the middle school gym for a cardio drumming fundraiser as presented. Roll call vote. Stafford - yes, Odell - yes, Scherer - yes, Parsley - yes, Sower - yes, Sustaita - yes, Remington - yes. Motion carried.

12. Adjournment

It was moved by Odell and supported by Stafford to adjourn the meeting at 8:33pm. Voice vote. All aye. Motion carried.

“Cultivating a community of lifelong learners.”

This meeting is a meeting of the Board of Education in public for the purpose of conducting the School District's business and is not to be considered a public community meeting. There is a time for public participation during the meeting as indicated in agenda item 4.