

BOARD OF EDUCATION

BALDWIN COMMUNITY SCHOOLS

Baldwin, Michigan 49304

REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING MINUTES OF APRIL 19th, 2022

I. ROUTINE BUSINESS

A. Call to Order

Mrs. Martin called the meeting to order at 6:00 pm.

B. Pledge of Allegiance

C. Roll Call

Members Present: Brooks, Ware, Pieske, Abraham, Martin

Members Absent: Carter, Hill

D. Recitation of BCS Mission Statement

E. Purpose of Open Board Meetings:

"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 the agenda"

F. Consent Agenda Items

1. Approval of the Agenda
2. Approval of the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of March 15, 2022
3. Approval of the Minutes of the Special Board Meeting on March 22, 2022
4. Approval of the Minutes of the Special Board Meeting on March 29, 2022
5. Approval of the Bills to be paid:
 - General Fund Account check #'s (75576-75671)
 - Food Service Fund Account check #'s (5084-5088)
 - Baldwin Promise Authority Account check #'s (1371-1373)
 - Student Activities Fund Account check #'s (12269-12271)

A motion was made by Ware and supported by Pieske to approve all the Consent Agenda Items,

5 Ayes, 0 Nay, Carried

II. STUDENTS OF THE MONTH

1. Elementary: March: Liam Michalec (Lower Elementary)
 March: Harper Johnson(Upper Elementary)
 April: Ella Cole (Lower Elementary)
 April: Harmony Smith-Davis
2. Junior High: March: Raven Cowell (7th)
 April: Jacob Brien (6th)
3. High School: March: D'Marion Booker (9th)
 April: Adam McClure (12th)

Mr. Bauer recognized March and April students of the month.
Mr. Nasson recognized March and April students of the month.

Mrs. Martin adjourned the meeting at 6:15 pm, in order to get pictures with the Students of the Month.

Mrs. Martin called the meeting back to order at 6:20 pm.

III. PRESENTATIONS

1. Qur'an Griffin, District Health Department
 Youth Data Survey School Year 2021-2022

Mrs. Griffin presented the data and results of the Youth Data Survey for 2022.

2. Nichole McGahey - Senior Class Trip

Mrs. McGahey presented and gave an update on the Senior Class trip.

IV. REPORTS

1. Secondary — Mr. Nasson

Mr. Nasson highlighted that the EWIMS team has reviewed interventions and have had limited progress with students. Seeing positive results more in middle school. Progress has been limited by staffing for academic interventions.

Mr. Nasson shared that April and May are testing months for 6th thru 11th. He reported that testing has been going very smoothly.

Eighth grade students took a trip to Ferris State with the Gear-Up program and went through college readiness activities combined with a walking tour of campus.

Mr. Nasson highlighted some of the building's Special Activities that are going on over the next month.

Mr. Nasson shared that enrollment has continued to be steady in both Junior High and Senior High schools.

2. Elementary — Mr. Bauer

Mr. Bauer highlighted the great success they had for Reading Night on March 23rd. 150 families came for dinner and a book walk that was coordinated by our reading night committee. The 5th grade also presented their wax museum of famous people around the perimeter of the gym.

Mr. Bauer shared that we have reinstated the RTC program and Nicole Day has been Supervising the Responsible Thinking Center. She has been working closely with Mrs. Cloud and myself to serve our friends who struggle in class and need a break. One of the goals is to refer students to this room as a first step, instead of the office.

Mr. Bauer gave an update on vacancies in the elementary. He shared that Pam Panetta has re-joined the team. They have interviewed three candidates for a parapro position that has been open for some time.

Mrs. Drilling presented data results from the beginning of the school year to the 3rd Quarter on student growth. She shared that she allotted more time for needed interventions for students. She reported that she is seeing 35% of the elementary students for intervention services. Mrs. Drilling identified her four drilling points: Sight Words, NWEA, Attendance, and Mathematics.

3. Instructional Services - Mr. Mangum

Mr. Mangum presented recent training that took place in March. Both teachers and paraprofessionals completed both M-STEP test administrator and Assessment Integrity training (via Michigan Virtual).

Mr. Mangum presented the K-12 curriculum planning and training that are coming up.

Mr. Mangum reported that BCS will be contracting with a new data services provider. Panorama is a survey management and data coordination platform which will allow us to gather information from our community (students, parents and staff) and combine that information with Powerschool, SWIS and student assessment data to gain a more complete picture of district needs.

Mr. Mangum shared that summer school sign-ups will begin the week of April 18th. During the month of March teachers completed a survey letting administration know their intent of teaching summer school in June and/or August.

V. COMMUNICATIONS (COMMUNITY ITEMS)

There were no community items brought to the Board.

VI. DISCUSSION ITEMS

1. Tax Tribunal - Webber Township Request

Mr. Forrester shared the information that was presented in the GEO prison asking for another tax deduction. Webber Township is asking the Board to approve a share in the cost of the appraisal of \$5,000.

2. Paraprofessional Candidate

Mr. Forrester introduced Ms. LaPortia Williams as the new Elementary Paraprofessional.

3. West Shore ESD Proposed General Fund Operating Budget

Mr. Forrester highlighted some of the key items in the WSESD General Fund Budget and how this could benefit BCS. He provided the example of general education social work services that could be increased.

VII. COMMUNICATIONS (COMMUNITY ITEMS)

There were no community items brought to the Board.

VIII. ACTION ITEMS

1. Approval of \$5,000 to Webber Township to support appraisal

A motion was made by Ware and supported by Pieske to accept the Webber Township Tax Tribunal.

5 Ayes, 0 Nay, Carried

2. Approval of Paraprofessional

A motion was made by Abraham and supported by Ware to approve LaPortia Williams as the new Elementary paraprofessional.

5 Ayes, 0 Nays, Carried

3. Approval of West Shore ESD Proposed General Fund Operating Budget

A motion was made by Ware and supported by Brooks to adopt the West Shore Educational Service General Fund Budget for the 2022-2023 school year.

Roll Call: Brooks, Ware, Pieske, Abraham, Martin

5 Ayes, 0 Nays, Carried

IX. CLOSED SESSION TO DISCUSS PERSONNEL MATTER

A motion was made by Brooks and supported by Pieske to enter into closed session at 8:11 pm.

5 Ayes, 0 Nays, Carried

President Martin called the meeting back to order at 8:30 pm.

A motion was by Ware and supported by Pieske to immediately terminate the employment of the Student Advocate pursuant to Section VII of the employee contract, citing moral turpitude and misconduct.

Roll Call: Brooks, Ware, Pieske, Abraham, Martin

5 Ayes, 0 Nays, Carried

X. SUPERINTENDENT'S ITEMS

1. Board Workshop - May 3, 2022

Mr. Forrester asked for any interest in holding the Board Workshop on May 3rd to work on the Superintendent Evaluation.

The Board will hold this Workshop on May 3rd at 6 pm.

2. West Shore Area School Board Association Spring Banquet

Mr. Forrester wanted to recognize Mrs. Ware and Mrs. Martin on their awards that were presented to them during the banquet.

3. Decision Day

Mr. Forrester discussed the upcoming Decision Day on April 29th, 2022 at 10 am. This is a big day across the state and nation in the college admission process. Seniors declare nationwide what they want to do with their future and announce where they will be going after High School. This year we are excited to welcome Angela Johnson (Class 20215) back to our campus as the Keynote Speaker.

Angela attended Ferris State University following graduation from Baldwin and is the owner/operator of Jones Ice Cream. Following the assembly, each student will receive a gift bag filled with “College Essentials” and a certificate to mark the occasion.

Mr. Forrester also highlighted that Bryon & Fisk (communication firm) will be here first thing in the morning with a professional photographer to take pictures of students in action throughout the day and the Decision Day assembly. They will be in all three buildings capturing various daily activities and interactions students and staff exhibit on a daily basis.

4. Communications Update

Mr. Forrester shared that things are progressing well, a little slower than they thought, but staff is getting on board and sharing various activities happening throughout the district.

5. Elementary Principal Update

Mr. Forrester informed the Board that they will be interviewing two person’s of interest for the Elementary Principal role within the next two weeks for this position for the 2022-2023 school year.

6. Board Retreat

Mr. Forrester reminded the Board that we need to get the Board retreat on the schedule for this summer by next month.

7. Board Policy

Mr. Forrester discussed his recommendation for the Policy Committee to meet and go through the updates and make the recommendations and then bring them to the Board for final approval. He expressed that this will be over several meetings, as there are several updates.

XI. BOARD PRESIDENT'S ITEMS

Mrs. Martin thanked staff and parents for their continuous dedication to improving the district and student success.

XII. BOARD MEMBERS' ITEMS

Mr. Brooks thanked Mrs. Martin for her leadership and Mr. Forrester and the great team that he has brought into the school and all the positivity he sees him bringing to the district.

Mrs. Pieske shared that she has been hearing some very good comments from community members about the school and the changes being made.

XIII. ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Ware and supported by Brooks to adjourn the meeting at 9:08 pm.

5Ayes, 0 Nays, Carried

Respectfully Submitted by,



Katena Abraham, Secretary

Baldwin Community School Board of Education