

BOARD OF EDUCATION

BALDWIN COMMUNITY SCHOOLS Baldwin, MI 49304

REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING ON AUGUST 16, 2022

I. ROUTINE BUSINESS

A. Call to Order

President Martin called the meeting to order at 6:13 pm.

B. Pledge of Allegiance

C. Roll Call

Members Present: Brooks, Ware, Pieske, Martin

Member Absent: Carter, Abraham, 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 July 19, 2022.
3. Approval of the bills to be paid:
 - a) General Fund Account check #'s (75957 - 76024)
 - b) Food Services Fund Account check #'s (5099 - 5101)
 - c) Baldwin Promise Authority Account check #'s (1388)

A motion was made by Brooks and supported by Ware to approve the Consent Agenda Items.

4 Ayes, 0 Nays
Motion Carried

II. CLOSED SESSION - STUDENT # 10433

A motion was made by Ware and supported by Brooks to enter into closed session at 6:16 pm.

4 Ayes, 0 Nays
Motion Carried

A motion was made by Ware and supported by Brooks to reinstate Student # 104333 for the 2022-2023 school year.

4 Ayes, 0 Nays
Motion Carried

III. PRESENTATIONS

No presentation at this meeting.

IV. ACADEMIC REPORTS

A. Elementary

Mrs. VanAntwerp shared that they have filled the Music and Preschool teacher position. Currently, we have three positions still open in the Elementary, but have promising candidates for these positions. The process for these candidates is a little different because they must pass the MTTC test before being eligible for hire.

Open House is Wednesday, August 24 from 5:30 - 7 pm. We will be starting dinner at 5:30 with Meet the Teachers starting at 6 pm. This will be picnic style provided by Chartwell. We have over 15 community service providers who have been invited to set up booths and meet our families.

Mrs. VanAntwerp shared that enrollments are coming in and also transfer requests for students that have moved out of the district. She reported that numbers are changing daily. Mrs. VanAntwerp shared that they currently have 10 enrolled in the new preschool program and 5 others interested in enrolling.

B. Secondary

Mr. Nasson shared that he is excited to welcome back students and return elective programming to students. Art, instrumental music and robotics will be available this fall. The addition of interventionists and full complement of behavior staff will allow students to be matched with EWIMS intervention that meet their needs whether they are academic or social emotional.

David Mathis has enrolled at Grand Valley State University to obtain his School Counseling degree. He will continue to teach math part time and Student Advisor part time, while he gets some classes in.

Mr. Nasson reported that there are a number of students that are struggling to earn credit in the high school courses and the EWIMS team will be focusing attention on these students that are 1-2 years behind their cohort.

Mr. Nasson also mentioned that this Saturday, August 20, 2022, will be a full Active Shooter Training with all local departments involved.

C. Assistant Superintendent of Instructional Services

Mr. Mangum shared that the curriculum warehouse is continuing with its development of a foldering system utilizing the Google platform. The elementary EL Education resource migration to the shared foldering system has started. The Bridges elementary math resource will begin migration in late August. Secondary ELA and Mathematics foldering templates will begin in the draft process in late August as well.

Mr. Mangum informed the Board members that the Jr. High Interventions, READ 180 and System 44 training has been scheduled and will be completed on August 16th and 17th. Mr. Mangum and intervention staff will be taking part in both training sessions.

Mr. Mangum and the building principals have put out an assessment calendar. Mrs. Drilling had put together an assessment guide book to assist them with all of the elementary assessments.

Mr. Mangum shared dates of the Title Events. Mr. Mangum and building principal me and coordinated joint elementary and secondary schedules for after school Title programming. This year Math night will be hosted on October 20 and Reading night on January 19. In addition to these activities, we will also be hosting a Celebrating Culture night on February 16 and STEAM night on April 20.

V. COMMUNICATIONS (COMMUNITY ITEMS)

Mrs. Baldrige came in and expressed her concern with her son who has failed every subject this year. She reported that her son is in Special Education and still failed all classes with help. She is nervous that he is off track to graduate and she is nervous to keep him in this district. She expressed fear in his schooling and is also requesting an earlier IEP.

VI. DISCUSSION ITEMS

- A. Letter of Resignation from Kylie Jones
- B. Elementary Music - Ryan Tebo
- C. Secondary Mathematics - Brett Manning
- D. Early Childhood - Lynne Snell
- E. Student Advocate - Bernadine Miller
- F. School Resource Officer Contract

A draft contract proposal indicated that the Lake County Sheriff pulled out of their contributions. This has been a benefit towards the school. The SRO

contracts did expire on June 30, 2022. The new contract is \$87,000 a year. The Lake County Sheriff department has agreed to pay her insurance and extra duties, i.e sporting events, summer school, updating safety plans and employee School Safe training.

G. BEA Letter of Agreement - Calendar

This was to get authorization to move a ½ PD from May to October.

H. BEA Letter of Agreement - Tuition Reimbursement

Mr. Forrester stated that BEA agreed to allow continued tuition reimbursement with stipulations.

I. BEA Letter of Agreement - "Qualification" article

Mr. Forrester highlighted some of the changes in the new contract.

J. 2022 L-4029 Tax Rate Request

K. Safe Return to Instruction & Continuity of Learning Plan

Mr. Forrester explained that nothing significant has changed from this plan and it is required by the State until ESSR funds.

L. Elementary School Student Handbook

Reviewed the new 22/23 Elementary Student Handbook.

M. Jr./Sr. High School Student Handbook

Reviewed the new 22/23 Secondary Student Handbook.

N. Extra Duties Positions - Elementary

1. Julie Holton - Science Fair Director
2. Julie Holton - STEM Advisor
3. Morgan Smith - Elementary Cheer

O. Extra Duty Positions - Middle School

1. Brynn Mathis - Science Fair Director
2. JaNel Williams - Student Council Advisor
3. Brynn Mathis - National Honor Society
4. Brynn Mathis - STEM Advisor

P. Extra Duty Positions - High School

1. Miguel Quinteros - First Robotics
2. Carissa Reidel & Nikki Bergman - High School Student Council Advisor
3. Miguel Quinteros - Yearbook Advisor
4. Anthony Aronovici - Band Director

5. Nichole McGahey - Science Fair Director
 6. Peter Graham - Play Director
 7. Theresa Lewis - Senior Class Advisor
 8. LaPortia Williams - Sophomore Class Advisor
 9. Nichole McGahey - Freshman Class Advisor
 10. Duane Roberts/Nicole McGahey - National Honor Society Advisor
 11. Bakiya Taylor - Art Fair Director
 12. Theresa Lewis - Gardening Advisor
 13. Nicholge McGahey - STEM Advisor
- Q. Extra Duty Fall Athletic Positions
1. Robert Watkins - Head Varsity Coach
 2. Rusty Fullerton - Assistant Football Coach
 3. Jason Eads - Varsity Basketball Coach
 4. Duane Roberts - Varsity Volleyball Coach
 5. Pat Boik - JV Volleyball Coach
 6. Nicole McGahey - Cross Country

VII. COMMUNICATION ITEMS (COMMUNITY ITEMS)

None at the time.

VIII. ACTION ITEMS

- A. Accept Letter of Resignation from Kylie Jones
- B. Approve Ryan Tebo
- C. Approve Brett Manning
- D. Approve Lynne Snell, pending successful completion of background check
- E. Approve Bernadine Miller
- F. Approve School Resource Officer Contract
- G. Approve the 2022 L-4029 Tax Rate Request
- H. Approve the Safe Return to Instruction & Continuity of Learning Plan
- I. Approve the Elementary School Student Handbook
- J. Approve the Jr./Sr. High School Student Handbook
- K. Approve the Extra Duty positions
- L. Approve Extra Duty Athletic Positions

A motion was made by Pieske and supported by Ware to approve action items A through Q.

Roll Call: Brooks, Ware, Pieske, Martin

4 Ayes, 0 Nays
Motion Carried

IX. SUPERINTENDENT'S ITEMS

- A. Bond Update

Mr. Forrester shared that the communication firm is planning on starting the

communication on the bond. They will also be releasing a newsletter that will recap last year and cover all upcoming events for this school year.

B. Board Retreat

Mr. Forrester shared that the retreat will be canceled for this year. He would like to begin discussion on the Board retreat for next year. He strongly suggests that we have a date set by December to start planning accordingly..

C. Human Resources Report

Mr. Forrester reported that we are almost to a full staff. We have hired numerous positions and continue to put a lot of effort into recruiting new staff.

D. School Resource Officer (Section 97b & ESSER I)

Mr. Forrester will continue to monitor this grant.

E. Staff Opening Day

Mr. Forrester invited Board members to the Opening Day staff breakfast at 8 am.

F. Staff Handbook

Mr. Forrester stated the staff handbook is complete and will be handed out to all employees and thoroughly reviewed during the new employee orientation.

G. MASB Annual Leadership Conference

Mr. Forrester reminded those that signed up to get their class schedules to Ms. Nelson as soon as they decided their schedule.

H. September 23, 2022 Event

Mr. Forrester suggested board members attend this Professional Development day featuring Brandon Fleming. The morning he will be presenting to students and then in the afternoon with staff.

I. WSCC College & Career Fair - September 27, 2022

Mr. Forrester shared that students will be attending this event at WSCC. Mr. Drillings is doing a great job at getting students out to events like these.

A. Tax Anticipation Notes

Mr. Forrester explained that we will not need to borrow money this, but it is

anticipated for next year.

K. September 20th - Board Meeting

Mr. Forrester proposed that we switch the Board meeting to September 27th due to numerous staff members out at a conference. He sent an email out for confirmation.

X. BOARD PRESIDENT'S ITEMS

Ms. Martin thanked the staff for all their hard work and dedication to this upcoming school year. She stated that she is thoroughly impressed with all of the staff.

XI. BOARD MEMBER'S ITEMS

None at this time.

XII. ADJOURNMENT

Ms. Martin adjourned the meeting at 7:35 pm.

Respectfully Submitted.


Mary Ann Pieske, Vice President
Board of Education