

BOARD OF EDUCATION  
BALDWIN COMMUNITY SCHOOLS  
Baldwin, Michigan 49304

**REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING MINUTES OF**  
**FEBRUARY 15, 2022**

**I. ROUTINE BUSINESS**

A. Call to Order

President Martin called the meeting to order at 6:02 pm

B. Pledge of Allegiance

C. Roll Call

Members Present: Martin, Abraham, Carter, Brooks, Pieske, Ware, Hill  
Members Absent: All members were present.

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 January 18, 2022
3. Approval of the Minutes of the Closed Session Meeting on January 25, 2022
4. Approval of the Bills to be paid:  
General Fund Account check #'s (75436 -75490)  
Food Service Fund Account check #'s (5080)  
Baldwin Promise Authority Account check #'s (11267)

A motion was made by Brooks and supported by Pieske to approve the agenda.

7 Ayes, 0 Nays, Carried

## **II. PRESENTATIONS**

1. Mr. Forrester, Mr. Nasson and Mr. Mangum presented outcomes from the Longitudinal Data Study that the DNT team has been monitoring to analyze if a balanced calendar has helped BCSD student achievement. They also reviewed how the balanced calendar has effective hiring and retaining highly qualified and highly effective staff. DNT Team will continue to analyze incoming data and bring forth more information to form a final decision to switch to a traditional calendar. DNT will present more data in the Spring after the Spring assessments.

## **III. PRINCIPAL'S REPORTS**

### **1. Secondary — Mr. Nasson**

Mr. Nasson presented an overview of the professional development that was completed in January and upcoming in February.

Mr. Nasson shared the NWEA results and proudly reported that over 50% of students have met their goals. He shared that the 12th grade goal of 90% of Seniors obtain credit in English 12 and as of today 100% of the students are obtaining credit in English 12. Mr. Nasson also shared a significant drop in student discipline.

Mr. Nasson informed the Board that the counselor candidate will be shadowing in the district in February. Interviews for the Behavioral Specialist were held on February 8th. Resumes for open positions are continuing to arrive.

Mr. Nasson informed the Board that enrollment has been consistent since August in both the Junior High and High School.

### **2. Elementary — Mr. Mangum**

Mr. Mangum presented an overview of the professional development that was completed in January and February. The elementary is hosting two academic family nights in February and March. February will focus on mathematics and March will focus on reading.

Mr. Mangum reviewed the 98B goals, and reported that the Math goal has been met and growth is evident by NWEA scores. The reading goal fell short at 42.1%. The elementary has made some shifts in some of the small groups to move students who are testing below average.

#### **IV. COMMUNICATIONS (COMMUNITY ITEMS)**

None

#### **V. DISCUSSION ITEMS**

1. Purchase of Curtains for Stage

Mr. Forrester reviewed the two bids that were received. He also shared that Mr. Graham will be having a Spring show.

2. Baldwin Bowling Team - Regionals

Mr. Roberts presented an overview of the upcoming event.

3. Signing Bonus for Mr. Nasson

4. Dan Bauer - Interim Elementary Principal

Mr. Forrester informed the Board that Mr. Bauer accepted the position as the Interim Elementary Principal through the end of the school year as we attempt to fill the position for the 2022/2023 school year.

5. Jason Eads - Athletic Director

Mr. Eads will remain the part-time Athletic Director the remainder of the year.

6. JaNel Williams - Human Resources Specialist

Ms. William was introduced and introduced to the Board.

7. Bruce Mangum - Asst. Superintendent for Instructional Services

8. Jennifer Vidak - Asst. Superintendent for Business Services

Ms. Viak was present and introduced to the Board.

9. Reese Drilling - Baldwin Promise Coordinator

Mr. Drilling was present and introduced to the Board.

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### 10. Meijer Donations - Shoes for Kids

Mr. Forrester reviewed the two gracious donations that Meijer donated for the Shoes for Kids Program.

### 11. Leave of Absence - Scott Pedigo

Mr. Forrester explained the purpose for the leave of absence for Mr. Pedigo.

### 12. Longitudinal Data Study

Mr. Forrester presented the results of the Longitudinal Data Study in search of the Board wanting to move forward with the possibility of returning to a more traditional calendar for the 2022/2023 school year.

## VI. COMMUNICATIONS (COMMUNITY ITEMS)

None

## VII. ACTION ITEMS

1. Approve all actions items as discussed above on items 1 through 11.

A motion was made by Ware and supported by Pieske to approve actions items 1 through 11.

7 Ayes, 0 Nays. Carried

## VIII. SUPERINTENDENT'S ITEMS

1. Marion Incident

Mr. Forrester updated the Board on the basketball incident. Mr. Forrester reported that he and a few of the Board members met with the student and his parents. They reported that it was a very emotional meeting and the student appeared and his demeanor presented as very sincere. They feel this student showed great remorse for his actions.

2. Special Board Meeting - February 22, 2022

Mr. Forrester explained the need for the Special Meeting to review the Bond Proposal survey results.

3. Board Committees - Mr. Forrester asked Board members to volunteer on these committees.

- a. Discipline - President Martin, Secretary Abraham, and Trustee Hill have volunteered to sit on the committee.
- b. Facilities - Treasurer Carter and Brooks
- c. Finance - Trustee Brooks and Vice President Pieske have volunteered to sit on the committee
- d. Policy - Vice President Pieske and Trustee Ware have volunteered to sit on this committee.

#### **IX. BOARD PRESIDENT'S ITEMS**

President Martin welcomed the new staff.

#### **X. BOARD MEMBERS' ITEMS**

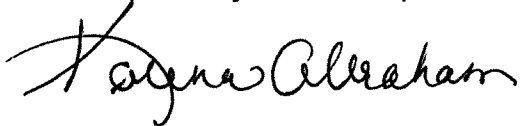
Vice President Pieske reiterated the need for a retreat and follow-up with workshops every other month.

Mr. Brooks inquired about the balanced calendar and questioned when the Board should consider moving forward with the reconsideration of moving ahead with the looking at switching to a more traditional calendar.

#### **XI. ADJOURNMENT**

President Martin adjourned the meeting at 7:44 pm

Respectfully Submitted,



Katena Abraham, Board Secretary