

MINUTES - REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION

August 25, 2021

6:30 P.M.

Bloomington High School

The Board of Education of the Bloomington Public Schools, School District 87, McLean County, Illinois, met in Regular Session.

Ms. Wilma Gleason, Board Secretary, established a quorum and the following Members were present: Mr. James Almeda, Ms. Elizabeth Fox Anvick, Mrs. Brigette Gibson, Mr. Charles Irwin, Mr. Fitzgerald Samedy, and Mr. Mark Wylie, Board President.

Present from the administrative staff were Dr. Barry Reilly, Mr. Michael Cornale, Ms. Sherri Thomas, and Dr. Diane Wolf.

A public hearing was held on the FY22 RVS/ACC Budgets.

It was moved by Mr. Almeda, seconded by Ms. Fox Anvick, that the Board approve the August 11, 2021, Regular Board Meeting minutes. Upon a roll call vote, all Members present voted "Aye." Motion carried.

It was moved by Mrs. Gibson, seconded by Ms. Fox Anvick, that the Board approve the August 11, 2021, Closed Session Board Meeting minutes. Upon a roll call vote, all Members present voted "Aye." Motion carried.

It was moved by Ms. Fox Anvick, seconded by Mrs. Gibson, that the Board approve the August 9, 2021, Special Board Meeting minutes. Upon a roll call vote, all Members present voted "Aye." Motion carried.

It was moved by Ms. Fox Anvick, seconded by Mr. Samedy, that the Board approve the August 9, 2021, Closed Session Board Meeting minutes. Upon a roll call vote, all Members present voted "Aye." Motion carried.

Mr. Almeda attended BJHS' Open House for 6th grade. The B-N Parents group was represented at the open house, and Mr. Almeda thanked Dr. Jarvis and Mr. Moore for supporting this parent group.

Ms. Fox Anvick commended administrators, teachers and staff on the beginning of the school year.

Mrs. Gibson attended the Promise Council's 100 Caring Adults at BJHS on the first day of school and BHS' Purple & Gold football scrimmage.

Mr. Irwin virtually attended a Regional Planning Commission video conference on the new nature play area being built at Coleen Hoose Elementary School in Normal. This play area will be open to the public when school is not in session.

Mr. Wylie attended BJHS' Open House for 6th grade and Stevenson School's event welcoming teachers back on their first day. As Board President, Mr. Wylie welcomed all staff back to school during the webinar on August 17th.

Mr. Jim Peterson, District 87's Director of Technology, presented a technology update. Mr. Peterson and the technology staff were recognized and thanked for their work in supporting the District 87 staff, students, and community.

Dr. Reilly presented Board policy changes for second reading as follows:

- 2.10 School District Governance
- 2.30 School District Elections
- 2.130 Board-Superintendent Relationship
- 2.240 Board Policy Development
- 5.10 Equal Employment Opportunity & Minority Recruitment
- 6.145 Migrant Students
- 6.160 English Learners
- 6.235 Access to Electronic Networks
- 6.255 Assemblies and Ceremonies
- 6.260 Complaints about Curriculum, Instructional Materials, and Programs
- 7.280 Communicable and Chronic Infectious Disease
- 8.90 Parent Organization & Booster Clubs

It was moved by Mr. Almeda, seconded by Ms. Fox Anvick, that the Board approve the Consent Agenda (Human Resources, Bills, FOIA Report). Upon a roll call vote, all Members present voted "Aye". Motion carried. (See with Original Minutes, 8-25-21/1)

Dr. Reilly stated that the school year is well underway with few issues. There is a COVID tab on the district's website which is updated weekly. Dr. Reilly encouraged all eligible individuals to get vaccinated. The FDA has fully approved the Pfizer vaccine.

Dr. Reilly mentioned that there are many activities occurring in our schools, and he encouraged Board members to attend as their schedules permit. Mr. Wiley echoed Dr. Reilly's comments about getting the COVID vaccine.

Dr. Reilly introduced members of the district's negotiation team, and Julie Riley, BEA President, introduced members of the BEA team. Dr. Reilly and Mrs. Riley thanked the negotiation teams for reaching a contract before the start of the school year.

It was moved by Ms. Fox Anvick, seconded by Mr. Irwin, that the Board approve the Bloomington Education Association (BEA) Contract for 2021-22 through 2023-24. Upon a roll call vote, all Members present voted "Aye". Motion carried. (See with Original Minutes, 8-25-21/2)

It was moved by Mr. Irwin, seconded by Mrs. Gibson, to approve the FY22 Legal RVS/ACC Budgets. Upon a roll call vote, all Members present voted "Aye." Motion carried. (See with Original Minutes, 8-25-21/3)

It was moved by Mr. Almeda, seconded by Mr. Samedy, to move into Closed Session for the purpose of:

- The appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance, or dismissal of specific employees, specific individuals who serve as independent contractors in a park, recreational, or educational setting, or specific volunteers of the public body or legal counsel for the public body, including hearing testimony on a complaint lodged against an employee, a specific individual who serves as an independent contractor in a park, recreational, or educational setting, or a volunteer of the public body or against legal counsel for the public body to determine its validity; and
- Litigation, when an action against, affecting or on behalf of the particular public body has been filed and is pending before a court or administrative tribunal, or when the public body finds that an action is probably or imminent, in which case the basis for the finding shall be recorded and entered into the minutes of the closed meeting.

and to adjourn this meeting of the Board of Education. Upon a roll call vote, all Members present voted "Aye." Motion carried. The meeting adjourned at 7:25 p.m.

APPROVED:

ATTEST:

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President

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Secretary