

MINUTES - REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION

December 12, 2018

6:30 P.M.

Educational Services Center

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: Ms. Brigette Beasley, Ms. Elizabeth Fox Anvick, Mrs. Tammy Houtzel, Mr. Charles Irwin, Mr. Mark Wylie, Mrs. Mary Yount, and Mr. Jim Almeda, Board President.

Present from the administrative staff were Dr. Barry Reilly, Dr. Herschel Hannah, Dr. Colin Manahan, and Dr. Diane Wolf.

A public hearing was held for the 2018 Tax Levy. Dr. Manahan explained that the 2018 tax levy recommendation remains the same as presented at the October 24, 2018 board meeting with the following criteria:

- 2018 estimated EAV growth assumption of 2%;
- 2018 estimated tax levy tax rate of \$5.12234;
- 2018 estimated tax levy of \$44,497,838;
- 2018 estimated tax extension of \$44,367,488;
- 2018 estimated tax collection rate of 99.4% which equates to \$44,101,283.

There is still a growing concern in equalized assessed valuations in our district. While we are projecting a 2% increase in EAV, it may be only 0.4% increase.

There was no discussion from the Board or public; the hearing was concluded.

It was moved by Mrs. Houtzel, seconded by Ms. Fox Anvick, that the Board approve the November 14, 2018 Regular Board Minutes. Upon a roll call vote, all Members present voted "Aye". Motion carried.

It was moved by Ms. Fox Anvick, seconded by Mr. Wylie, that the Board approve the November 14, 2018 Closed Session Board Minutes. Upon a roll call vote, all Members present voted "Aye". Motion carried.

Oakland Elementary School's *English as a Second Language* program was highlighted.

Mr. Almeda attended a meeting with Dr. Reilly, Ms. Beasley and Unit 5 staff to discuss the possibility of a lacrosse team. Mr. Almeda attended the annual Triple I Conference and suggested the Board perform a self-evaluation. At the conference, he attended the Resolutions meeting where the proposal to have staff members carry weapons was defeated. He attended Bent's *Deck the Halls*, Boys & Girls Club *Be Great Breakfast*, and the BHS Purple Pride Awards.

Ms. Beasley attended the lacrosse meeting, the Triple I Conference, BHS basketball games, Sheridan Holiday Concert, and the Boys and Girls Club *Be Great Breakfast*.

Ms. Fox Anvick attended the Triple I Conference, Boys and Girls Club *Be Great Breakfast*, and BHS' Choir Concert.

Mrs. Houtzel attended the Triple I Conference.

Mr. Irwin attended the Triple I Conference, BHS basketball games, Bent's *Deck the Halls*, and Irving's holiday music program.

Mr. Wylie attended a facilities committee meeting and McLean County Regional Planning Commission meeting. He attended the BACC Open House, Theresa Smithson's (Bent Elementary Head Custodian) retirement party, budget discussion with Dr. Manahan and Dr. Reilly, and curriculum discussion with Dr. Wolf.

Mrs. Yount attended a facilities committee meeting. She attended the Triple I Conference, Bent's *Deck the Halls*, Boys and Girls Club *Be Great Breakfast*, BHS Purple Pride Awards, BHS Art Show, and two community musical events where students and staff participated.

Dr. Reilly presented the Board Policy Manual for 4th reading. Several policies were revised; these will be presented again at the January 9th Board meeting, and the Board will vote to approve them at the January 23rd Board meeting. Dr. Reilly will investigate what other districts pay for employees' meals when traveling. It was suggested that the federal per diem language be used if possible.

It was moved by Mr. Irwin, seconded by Mrs. Houtzel, that the Board approve the Consent Agenda (Human Resources Report, Bills,

FOIA Report, Payroll, Treasurer's Report, Financial Summary, Property Casualty Insurance Renewal, City of Bloomington Road Salt Agreement). Upon a roll call vote, all Members present voted "Aye". Motion carried. (See with Original Minutes, 12-12-18/1)

Dr. Reilly informed the Board of the following:

- He attended the Triple I Conference. The conference provides opportunities to network with other Board members and Superintendents across the state.
- He attended the BHS Choir Concert.
- The BHS Band and Orchestra Concert is December 13th.
- Raider Family Night is December 14th at 5:00 pm before the basketball game.
- Washington's all school sing-a-long is December 21st.

It was moved by Mrs. Houtzel, seconded by Ms. Fox Anvick, to approve the Resolution for Board Levy. Upon a roll call vote, all Members present voted "Aye." Motion carried. (See with Original Minutes, 12-12-18/2)

It was moved by Ms. Beasley, seconded by Mrs. Yount, to approve the Judge John M. Scott Vocational Education Trust Annual Report. Upon a roll call vote, all Members present voted "Aye." Motion carried. (See with Original Minutes, 12-12-18/3)

It was moved by Mrs. Houtzel, seconded by Mr. Wylie, to approve the 2018 State Farm Property Tax Abatement Resolution. Upon a roll call vote, Almeda, Houtzel, Irwin, Wylie and Yount voted "Aye"; Beasley and Fox Anvick abstained. Motion carried. (See with Original Minutes, 12-12-18/4)

It was moved by Ms. Beasley, seconded by Mr. Wylie, to approve the New Health Life Safety Amendments. Upon a roll call vote, all Members present voted "Aye." Motion carried. (See with Original Minutes, 12-12-18/5)

It was moved by Ms. Beasley, seconded by Mrs. Houtzel, to approve the BHS Advisory Pilot. Upon a roll call vote, all Members present voted "Aye." Motion carried. (See with Original Minutes, 12-12-18/6)

It was moved by Ms. Fox Anvick, seconded by Mr. Wylie, to approve the BEA Letter of Understanding - Life Insurance. Upon a roll call vote, all Members present voted "Aye." Motion carried. (See with Original Minutes, 12-12-18/7)

It was moved by Mr. Wylie, seconded by Ms. Beasley, to approve the BESP Letter of Understanding - Life Insurance. Upon a roll call vote, all Members present voted "Aye." Motion carried. (See with Original Minutes, 12-12-18/8)

It was moved by Ms. Fox Anvick, seconded by Mr. Irwin, to move into Closed Session for the purpose of:

- the appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance, or dismissal of specific employees of the public body or legal counsel for the public body, including hearing testimony on a complaint lodged against an employee of the public body or against legal counsel for the public body to determine its validity; and
- student discipline

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 7:30 p.m.

APPROVED:

ATTEST:

President

Secretary