

MINUTES - REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION

January 13, 2021 6:30 P.M. via Zoom/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: Mr. James Almeda, Ms. Elizabeth Fox Anvick, Mrs. Tammy Houtzel, Mr. Charles Irwin, Mr. Mark Wylie, and Mrs. Brigette Gibson, Board President.

It was moved by Mrs. Houtzel, seconded by Mr. Almeda, that the Board approve the December 9, 2020 Regular Board Meeting Minutes. Upon a roll call vote, all Members present voted "Aye". Motion carried.

It was moved by Mr. Wylie, seconded by Ms. Fox Anvick, that the Board approve the December 9, 2020 Closed Session Board Meeting Minutes. Upon a roll call vote, all Members present voted "Aye". Motion carried.

BJHS teacher Mr. Greg Kocourek was recognized for his appointment by Governor Pritzker to the Illinois Holocaust and Genocide Commission. Mr. Kocourek continues to advocate for the best quality instruction for students to engage and consider this difficult history with the goal of creating more civically engaged, inclusive, and safe communities.

Ms. Fox Anvick attended a Beyond the Books meeting. Applications are now being accepted for BTB grants. She attended the Diversity and Inclusion Committee meeting.

Mrs. Gibson attended the Diversity and Inclusion Committee meeting.

Mr. Irwin attended the Diversity and Inclusion Committee meeting.

Mrs. Thomas presented the first draft of the 2021-22 school calendar. The Board proposed waiving the Columbus Day holiday on October 11th and replacing it with an institute day. The second draft of the calendar will be presented at the January 27th Board meeting.

Dr. Reilly presented the following Board Policies for second reading.

3:40 (Superintendent Duties & Authority)
4:80 (Accounting and Audits)
4:90 (Student Activity and Fiduciary Funds)
6:20 (School Year Calendar and Day
6:300 (Graduation Requirements)
6:310 (High School Credit for Non-District Experiences;
Course Substitutions; Re-Entering Students)
6:315 (High School Credit for Students in Grade 6, 7, 8)
6:320 (High School Credit for Proficiency)
6:340 (Student Testing and Assessment Program)
7:100 (Health, Eye, and Dental Examinations; Immunizations;
and Exclusion of Students),
7:140 (Search and Seizure)
7:300 (Extracurricular Activities) for first reading.

It was moved by Mrs. Houtzel, seconded by Mr. Irwin, that the Board approve the Consent Agenda (Human Resources, Bills, FOIA Report, Payroll, Financial Summary, Treasurer's Report). Upon a roll call vote, all Members present voted "Aye". Motion carried. (See with Original Minutes, 1-13-21/1)

Dr. Reilly reminded the Board of the following:

- All District 87 students have the option of returning to hybrid in-person on January 19th.
- The Diversity & Inclusion Committee will be meeting January 20th. This is sharing of information. We will then break into subcommittees, and work will begin. Over 75 people attended the first meeting. This will be an ongoing committee. We are one of the most diverse districts in the State (in the top 3).
- Dr. Reilly is working with the Health Department on COVID vaccine timelines. At this point, specific employees are eligible (nurses, OT/PT, speech/language pathologists, social workers, school psychologists). Dr. Reilly will inform the Board when others are eligible. COVID numbers continue to look good for the state, and it is the District's hope that this continues.

It was moved by Mr. Almeda, seconded by Ms. Fox Anvick, that the Board approve the naming of the Boy Loy Natatorium at Bloomington High School. Upon a roll call vote, all Members present voted "Aye". Motion carried. (See with Original Minutes, 1-13-21/2). Dr. Reilly stated that the District is excited to name this

facility after Bob Loy, long-time teacher and BHS swim coach. A significant number of people reached out to Dr. Reilly expressing the gratitude for the Board's consideration of this action.

It was moved by Mr. Wylie, seconded by Ms. Fox Anvick, 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 7:10 p.m.

APPROVED:

ATTEST:

President

Secretary