

MINUTES - REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION

May 27, 2020

6:30 P.M.

via Webinar

The Board of Education of the Bloomington Public Schools, School District 87, McLean County, Illinois, met in Regular Session via Webinar due to the COVID-19 pandemic and the subsequent closing of schools and shelter-at-home order from the Governor of Illinois.

Ms. Wilma Gleason, Board Secretary, established a quorum and the following Members were present: Mr. James Almeda, Ms. Elizabeth Fox Anvick, Mrs. Kiasha Henry, Mrs. Tammy Houtzel, Mr. Chuck Irwin, Mr. Mark Wylie, and Ms. Brigitte Beasley, Board President.

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

It was moved by Mrs. Houtzel, seconded by Ms. Fox Anvick, that the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Board of Education held on May 13, 2020 be approved. Upon a roll call vote, Beasley, Fox Anvick, Henry, Houtzel, Irwin, and Wylie voted "Aye"; Almeda abstained due to absence on May 13, 2020. Motion carried.

Dr. Reilly thanked Jeff Geringer for his years of service to District 87 as a teacher and administrator for District 87 at Bloomington Jr. High School, and most recently as the Bent Elementary Principal.

Mr. Wylie asked that everyone complete their 2020 census. Mr. Wylie drove by the BHS drive-through graduation and thanked everyone who planned the event.

Mrs. Houtzel heard great things about the BHS drive-through graduation ceremony.

Ms. Fox Anvick attended the Corn Belt Division Planning session for 2020-21.

Dr. Manahan presented the proposed 2020-21 Student/Parent Handbook changes and fees for third reading. In recent years, students have had to have immunizations by the first day of school. Board policies recently changed to reflect that students had to have immunizations by October 15th (Illinois Association of School Board's recommendation). The proposed handbook changes did not reflect this October 15th date. Therefore, these changes will be presented at the next Board meeting. Ms. Fox Anvick asked if

students will be allowed to participate in e-learning in light of these changes. Dr. Reilly affirmed this, but he will confirm.

Dr. Wolf presented an update on curriculum and instruction's remote learning, professional development, and family webinars since March 13, 2020 (the closing of schools and shelter-at-home order from the Governor of Illinois due to COVID-19). Ms. Beasley asked if we have recognized organizations who have provided community support during this time. Dr. Reilly stated the District has thanked them on social media and he further thanked the Promise Councils, Eastview Christian Church, Evangelical Free Church, NAACP, Indian Association, United Way Task Force (child care), and other individuals and groups that have assisted the District.

It was moved by Mrs. Houtzel, seconded by Mr. Irwin, that the Board approve the Consent Agenda (Human Resources Report, Bills, FOIA Report, Financial Summary, Treasurer's Report, Food Service Agreement with BroMenn Adult Day Care, Food Service Agreement with ROE Alternative Ed, Food Service Agreement with Boys & Girls Club, Food Service Agreement with High Roads School). Upon a roll call vote, all Members present voted "Aye". Motion carried. (See with Original Minutes, 5-27-20/1)

Dr. Reilly thanked Mr. Tim Moore and his administrative team for the BHS graduation. They distributed yard signs, gift packs, as well as the drive-through graduation ceremony. Families were very appreciative of the efforts of the BHS administration and staff.

The last day of work for some employees was May 26th. Some teachers went above and beyond for their students during this time. Thank you to the Board of Education for supporting all District 87 employees.

The Task Force and subcommittees are meeting to plan for the 2020-21 school year and all that might entail (100% remote learning, everyone back in school, and a hybrid of both scenarios). The all staff updates will be given every Thursday morning.

The district is planning office hours for the district office as well as BHS/BJHS this summer. These plans will be communicated this week with employees. Social distancing and face masks will be expected for those entering the offices and when employees are interacting with visitors.

Dr. Reilly pulled the 2020-21 2020-21 Parent Student Handbook Changes & Fees from the agenda. This will be on the agenda for the June 10, 2020 meeting.

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 7:20 p.m.

APPROVED:

ATTEST:

President

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Secretary