

Minutes of the Meeting
of the
BATESVILLE COMMUNITY SCHOOL CORPORATION
BOARD OF SCHOOL TRUSTEES
held on Monday, August 21, 2017 at 6:00 P.M.
in the Batesville Middle School Commons

Attending:

Board Members: Jeremy Raver, President; Cindy Blessing, Vice President; Ray Call, Secretary; Wanita Linkel, Board Member; and Stephen Stein, Board Member.

Administrators: Paul Ketcham, Superintendent; Tim Hunter, Director of Buildings and Grounds; Melissa Burton, Director of Student Learning; Andy Allen, BHS Principal; Dave Strouse, BMS Principal; Devon Phillips, BIS Principal; and Brad Stoneking, BPS Principal.

Others: Laura Cole, Administrative Assistant; Media Representatives; and other patrons and students.

REGULAR SESSION

ITEM # 1

- A. Call to Order – Mr. Raver called the meeting to order at 6:02 pm. The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Laura Cole and was followed by a Moment of Silence.
- B. Other – None.

ITEM # 2 Consent Agenda Items

- A. Minutes – Minutes of the regular session held July 17, 2017, had been previously sent to the board for review and were approved.
- B. Payroll Journals and Register of Claims – Payroll journals and register of claims were reviewed and recommended for approval.
- C. Personnel – The personnel list was reviewed and recommended for approval.
- D. Travel Approvals – Travel requests were reviewed and recommended for approval.
- E. Other – None.

Motion: The Board of School Trustees approves all consent agenda items as presented.

Motion to accept: Ray Call
Seconded by: Stephen Stein
Action: Unanimous Approval

ITEM # 3 Financial Report

- A. Monthly Financial Report - Mr. Hunter reported that there was a current balance of \$1,083,016 (7.3%) in the general fund as of July 31, 2017. Capital Projects Fund balance was \$1,252,946 as of July 31, 2017.
- B. Other – None.

ITEM # 4 Believe in Better

- A. Introduction of New Staff Members – Mr. Ketcham introduced all new administrators and corporation employees. The principals of each building introduced the new staff in their buildings.
- B. Other – None.

ITEM # 5 Patron Comments/Questions

None.

Mr. Raver asked the cadet teaching and mentoring students to introduce themselves.

ITEM # 6 Action Items

- A. Approval of Board Policies
 - 1) Neola Policies 29.1– The policies had been presented to the board for a first reading at the July board meeting. The board asked for another month to review the policies. Said policies will appear for a third reading and vote on the September agenda.

ITEM # 7 Reports

- A. Director of Student Learning
 - 1) Summer School Report – Mrs. Burton presented a report showing classes offered during summer school as well as attendance for those classes.
 - 2) Homeschool Information – The board had previously asked for the number of homeschooled student living within the BCSC school district. Mrs. Burton contacted the Indiana Department of Education. 16 students living within the BCSC school district were registered as homeschool students in the last five years. However, it was pointed out that parents are not required to register their homeschool students and some register them each year while others take care of the initial registration and do not report back in the years that follow.
- B. Director of Operations
 - 1) Staff Picnic – Mr. Hunter shared information regarding the upcoming picnic, which is the 34th staff picnic held by BCSC.
 - 2) Building Project Update – Mr. Hunter shared updated information regarding the building project. The work currently being completed includes painting, mechanical installations, and doors being installed. Mr. Hunter reported that Rural Alliance for the Arts is helping financially with upgrades to the auditorium. With additional updates, planned completion date is now mid-November. An open house will be planned when the building is complete. Board members will tour the construction before the October board meeting.
- C. Miscellaneous Reports
 - 1) Athletic Council – Mrs. Linkel reported that the golf outing was a great success. The raffle and chicken dinner would be held September 20.
 - 2) Wellness Council – Mrs. Blessing had nothing to report at this time.
 - 3) City of Batesville Redevelopment Committee – Dr. Stein had nothing to report from the most recent meeting.
 - 4) Coalition for a Drug Free Batesville – Mrs. Blessing reported that National Night Out went well. Grant stipend applications have gone out to all schools.

- 5) Batesville Community Education Foundation – Mr. Raver reported that a few new members have been added to the foundation. The annual campaign over the summer was extremely successful. BCEF, along with a Digital Learning Grant, helped to fund flexible learning spaces. The Harlem Wizard will be at BHS on October 28.

D. Superintendent

- 1) ISBA/IAPSS Annual Fall Conference – Mr. Ketcham informed the board that the conference would take place October 2 and 3. Any board member wishing to attend, can let Laura Cole know and she'll take care of registration. He noted that Jackie Huber will be presenting at the conference this year.
- 2) Other
 - a. Mr. Ketcham reminded the board that the public hearing for the 2018 budget would take place at the September 18 meeting and adoption of the budget would take place at the October 16 meeting.
 - b. The Indiana State Superintendent of Public Instruction will be speaking at Batesville Middle School the evening of August 31.

ITEM # 2 Patron Comments/Questions

None.

ITEM # 3 Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 6:55 pm. The next regular school board meeting is scheduled for Monday, August 21, 2017, at 6:00 pm in the BMS commons.

Signatures