

Minutes of the Meeting  
of the  
BATESVILLE COMMUNITY SCHOOL CORPORATION  
BOARD OF SCHOOL TRUSTEES  
held on Monday, September 18, 2023 at 6:00 PM  
in the BHS Bulldog Center

Attending:

Board Members: Jeremy Raver, President; Mike Baumer, Vice President; Stephanie Davidson, Secretary; Larry Merkel, Board Member; and Sean Townsley, Board Member

Administrators: Paul Ketcham, Superintendent; Andy Allen, BHS Principal; Tim Hunter, Director of Operations

Others: Laura Cole, Administrative Assistant; Brad Bergquist, standing in for Corporation Attorney; Media and Patrons

REGULAR SESSION

**ITEM # 1**

A. Call to Order – Mr. Raver called the meeting to order at 6:00 pm. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited and was followed by a Moment of Silence.

B. Other – None

**ITEM # 2 BCSC Vision Statement**

Mr. Ketcham reviewed the vision statement.

**ITEM # 3 Project Hearing** – Mr. Bergquist led this hearing. Mr. Bergquist proceeded to ask for approval of the following resolutions:

A. Reimbursement Resolution

Motion to accept: Mike Baumer  
Seconded by: Stephanie Davidson  
Action: Unanimous approval

B. Resolution Approving Form of Lease Agreement

Motion to accept: Larry Merkel  
Seconded by: Stephanie Davidson  
Action: Unanimous approval

C. Resolution Determining Need for Project

Motion to accept: Sean Townsley

Seconded by: Mike Baumer  
Action: Unanimous approval

D. Resolution Reapproving Formation of Building Corporation

Motion to accept: Mike Baumer  
Seconded by: Larry Merkel  
Action: Unanimous approval

**ITEM # 4 Consent Agenda Items**

- A. Minutes – Minutes of the August 21, 2023 Regular Session Board Meeting were previously sent to the board for review.

Motion: The Board of School Trustees approves the August 21, 2023 Regular Session Minutes as presented.

Motion to accept: Larry Merkel  
Seconded by: Mike Baumer  
Action: Unanimous approval

- B. Payroll Journals and Register of Claims – The payroll journals and register of claims were previously provided to the board for review.

Motion: The Board of School Trustees approves the payroll journals and register of claims as presented.

Motion to accept: Stephanie Davidson  
Seconded by: Sean Townsley  
Action: Unanimous approval

- C. Personnel – The most recent personnel changes were previously provided to the board for review and are attached to these minutes.

Motion: The Board of School Trustees approves the personnel list as presented and attached to these minutes.

Motion to accept: Larry Merkel  
Seconded by: Mike Baumer  
Action: Unanimous approval

Mr. Ketcham recognized Gayla Vonderheide, RN for her service to BCSC. She has submitted her retirement notice effective December 31, 2023.

- D. Travel Requests - Travel requests were previously given to the board for review. Motion: The Board of School Trustees approves the travel request list as presented.

Motion to accept: Mike Baumer  
Seconded by: Larry Merkel  
Action: Unanimous approval

E. Other – None

**ITEM # 5 Believe in Better** – Mr. Allen provided the board with information regarding the Excellence in Education Award recently received by Batesville High School. There were 24 school corporations represented in eight different categories. Mr. Allen wanted to take the moment to acknowledge that there are a lot of very good things going on in schools across the state. He showed the video made by BHS and explained how voting took place. Mr. Allen then proceeded to explain the budget creation process that will determine where the money is spent.

**ITEM # 6 Financial Report**

- A. Monthly Financial Report - Mr. Hunter reported that there was a current balance of \$2,183,354 in the Education Fund as of August 31, 2023. The total of all funds as of August 31, 2023, was \$7,572,973.
- B. Other – None

**ITEM # 7 Budget Hearing** – Mr. Hunter presented information regarding the proposed 2024 budget. A detailed presentation will be posted on the corporation’s website and is attached to these minutes.

**ITEM # 8 Patron Comments**

Mr. Raver asked if there were any comments. There were none.

**ITEM # 9 Action Items**

- A. Approval of the 2024-25 School Calendar – Mr. Ketcham presented the proposed calendar to the board. Motion: The Board of School Trustees approves the 2024-25 School Calendar as presented.

Motion to accept: Larry Merkel  
Seconded by: Sean Townsley  
Action: Unanimous approval

- B. Re-affirmation of Policy 3220.01, Teacher Appreciation Grants – Although policy 3220.01 is not being changed, it is a requirement that it be re-affirmed each year. Motion: The Board of School Trustees re-affirms Policy 3220.01 that was originally adopted on June 18, 2018.

Motion to accept: Stephanie Davidson  
Seconded by: Sean Townsley  
Action: Unanimous approval

**ITEM # 10 Superintendent Report**

- A. Staff Picnic Update – Mr. Ketcham reported that the 40<sup>th</sup> annual picnic was very well attended.
- B. Presentation of Policy #2623.01, Test Security Provisions for Statewide Assessments, First Reading – Mr. Ketcham presented the policy.

- C. Ivy Tech Cost Information – Mr. Ketcham informed the board that ESSER money has covered the cost of books for Ivy Tech students in the past. Books are now embedded in the students’ Canvas pages. The cost per student is \$54 per class. This cost will be passed along to parents beginning this year. BCSC covers all other costs associated with the classes and BCEF continues to pay certification fees for students.
- D. Update to Teacher Evaluation Plan – Mr. Ketcham reported that if a teacher has been Highly Effective for three consecutive years, they will only be required to have one evaluation as opposed to three.
- E. Upcoming Events – Mr. Ketcham shared dates with the board.
- F. Other – None.

**ITEM # 11 School Board Comments**

Mrs. Davidson reported that the athletic booster dinner and raffle will take place on Wednesday, September 20.

Mr. Baumer asked about the press box and ADA bleachers that were scheduled to be done with Phase 1. He listed several issues that he has with Fanning Howey. Mr. Ketcham will present these particular issues with Fanning Howey to Mr. Schipp and ask for a response.

Mr. Townsley continues to receive concerns from community members regarding the lack of AC in the gymnasium. He would like for it to continue to be looked into.

**ITEM # 12 Adjournment**

The meeting adjourned at 7:25 pm. The next regular school board meeting is scheduled for Monday, October 23, 2023, at 6:00 pm in the Bulldog Center at BHS.

## PERSONNEL

Monday, September 18, 2023

1. Resignation and Extended Leave Certified
  - a. BHS - Alison Vitolo, English Teacher - Extended Leave
2. Recommended Certified
  - a. None
3. Resignation and Extended Leave Classified
  - a. BMS - Dee Saler, Special Education Paraprofessional, Resignation (beginning 9/25/23)
  - b. BCSC - Gayla Vonderheide, Director of Health Services, Retirement (effective 1/1/24)
4. Recommended Classified
  - a. BPS - Karen Bruns, Special Education Paraprofessional (moving from part-time to full-time)
  - b. BPS - Sarah Tekulve, Special Education Paraprofessional (moving from part-time to full-time)
  - c. BPS - Misty Meyer, Special Education Paraprofessional
  - d. BMS - Stephanie Hurley, Cafeteria Staff
  - e. BHS - Rebecca Eckstein, Special Education Paraprofessional
  - f. BCSC - Rebecca "Ashley" McConnell, Latchkey Substitute Assistant
  - g. BCSC - Leslie Engel, Certified Occupational Therapy Assistant
5. Resignation Extra Curricular
  - a. BIS - Nina Ni, Teacher Mentor, Resignation
6. Recommendation Extra Curricular
  - a. BIS - Emily Du, Teacher Mentor
  - b. BPS After School Tutors
    - i. Kelley Bedel
    - ii. Amanda Wenninger
    - iii. Lori Daulton
    - iv. Kelley Bedel
  - c. BIS After-School Tutors
    - i. Kayla Pinckley
    - ii. Shannon McBeath
    - iii. Michelle Wehr
    - iv. Wendy Eisert
    - v. Abby David
    - vi. Katie Hunter
    - vii. Brittany Pingsterhaus
    - viii. Charla Westerfeld
    - ix. Chelsea Eckstein
    - x. Amber Koehne
    - xi. Lauren Boesken
  - d. BMS After-School Tutors
    - i. Sandi Beier
    - ii. Nicole Gross
    - iii. Emily Bower
    - iv. Travis Smith
    - v. Lisa Barnett
    - vi. Meghan Fledderman
    - vii. Tiffany Prabell
  - e. BPS EC Positions for 2023-24
    - i. Brooklyn Weisenbach, Garden Club
    - ii. Lisa Kreuzman, Reading Curriculum Coordinator
    - iii. Guili Zhang, Math Curriculum Coordinator

- iv. Michael McKinney, PE Curriculum Coordinator
    - v. Berni Essick, Data Coach/Grade Level Lead Teacher
    - vi. Cathy Ollier, Data Coach/Grade Level Lead Teacher
    - vii. Emily Helvie, Data Coach/Grade Level Lead Teacher
  - f. BIS EC Positions for 2023-24
    - i. Morgan Hooten, Data/Grade Level Coordinator
    - ii. Shannon McBeath/Amber Koehne, Data/Grade Level Coordinator
    - iii. Brittany Pingsterhaus, Data/Grade Level Coordinator
    - iv. Amber Koehne, ELA Curriculum Coordinator
    - v. Morgan Hooten, Math Curriculum Coordinator
    - vi. Julie Ryan, Science Curriculum Coordinator
    - vii. Tricia McPherson, Social Studies Curriculum Coordinator
    - viii. Abby David, Special Education Curriculum Coordinator
    - ix. Cindy Weisenbach, Garden Coordinator
  - g. BMS EC Positions for 2023-24 Attached
  - h. BHS EC Positions for 2023-24 Attached
  - i. Athletic Recommendations Attached
- 7. Resignation Transportation
  - a. None
- 8. Recommended Transportation
  - a. None
- 9. Open postings:
  - a. BPS - Grade 1 Teacher, Extended Leave
  - b. BMS - Special Education Paraprofessional
  - c. BHS - Full-time Cafeteria Staff Member
  - d. BHS - English Teacher, Extended Leave

## **Batesville Middle School EC Positions 2023-24**

Director Band	Casey Reazin
Student Council	Lisa Barnett
Choral Director	Dan Borns
Annual	Katey Stout
Academic Team	Emily Bower
Art Club	Lynne DiMuzio
Curriculum Coordinator (Science)	Sandi Beier
Curriculum Coordinator (Language Arts)	Lisa Barnett
Curriculum Coordinator (PE)	Shelly Prickel
Curriculum Coordinator (Social Studies)	Aaron Garrett
Curriculum Coordinator (Math)	Emily Bower
Curriculum Coordinator ( Special Education)	Amy Fledderman
Data Coaches	
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Spell Bowl	Jennifer Russell and Sheryl McCreary
Interact Club	Shelly Prickel
Rube Goldberg	
Dance Team	Margaret Geis

## Batesville High School EC Positions 2023-24

Position	Sponsor	Sponsor	Sponsor	Sponsor	Sponsor	Sponsor
Band Director (High School)	Cameron Everage					
Band Director(Middle School)	Casey Reazin					
World Music Ensemble	Casey Reazin					
Musical Pit Director (High School)	Cameron Everage					
Jazz Ensemble	Cameron Everage					
Musical Choral Director (High School)	Dan Borns					
Concert Choir (High School)	Dan Borns					
Batesville Singers (BHS)	Dan Borns					
Choral Director (BMS)	Dan Borns					
Flag Corp (High School)	Deana Stephens					
Dramatics	Lisa Barnett					
Dramatics Assistant	Andrea Grimsley	Alison Vitolo				
Archery (HEAD)	Michael Weiler					
FFA	Cassie Wallpe					
Student Council (High School)	Paul Satchwill					
National Honor Society	Kirbee Gerkin					
KSLA	Andrea Grimsley	Katy Tincher	Emily Bohman			
Interact Club	Lisa Gausman					
Vex Robotics Competition Advisor						
Annual Advisor BHS	Sidney Howard					
Academic Team (High School)	Katy Tincher					
Academic Team (Assistant High School)	Judd Klingerman					
Class Sponsor (Freshman)	Lori Giesting	Barb Hartman				
Class Sponsor (Sophomore)	Sarah Jaisle					
Class Sponsor (Junior)	Randi Stirn Jennifer Steinkamp	Megan Spreckelson				
Class Sponsor (Senior)	Steinkamp	Melissa Merkel				
Rube Goldberg	Tim Mauzy					
Curriculum Coordinator	Katie Griggs	Rose Wilde	Taira Lynch Jen Steinkamp	Darrick Cox	Connie Dickman	Randi Stirn
Data Coach	Arika Burck	Bret McFall				
Student Council (BMS)						
Mentor Teacher	Dan Borns	Charlie Raab	Charlie Schuck			





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To: Paul Ketcham and the BCSC School Board  
From: Bryan Helvie, Athletic Director  
Re: Athletic Department recommendations / requests – September 2023 meeting

1. Coaching recommendations for the 2023-24 school year.

**Batesville High School Spring Sports Season**

Baseball – junior varsity coach	Rob Lafary	(new – BIS employee)
Baseball – 9 <sup>th</sup> /C-Team coach	Tom Borgemenke	(same)
Baseball – varsity assistant	Jared Keck	(was JV)
Track – assistant coach	Emily Bohman	(same)
Track – assistant coach	Rob King	(same – 50 percent)
Track – assistant coach	Clint Pride	(same – 50 percent)
Softball – junior varsity coach	Cory Fletcher	(same)
Softball – assistant coach	Rick Caswell	(same)
Boys Golf – assistant coach	Ryan Harmeyer	(same)

**Batesville High School Winter Sports Season**

Girls Basketball – head coach	Mitch Taylor	(same)
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**Batesville Middle School Winter Sports' Season**

Wrestling – head coach	Alex Brewer	(same)
Wrestling– volunteer assistant coach	Bill Starost	(same)
Boys basketball – 8 <sup>th</sup> grade coach	Tom Borgemente	(same)
Boys basketball – 7 <sup>th</sup> grade coach	Andrew Springmeyer	(same)
Boys basketball – assistant coach	Rob Lafary	(new – BIS employee)

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## 2024 Budget Hearing

- 2024 Budgets advertised for the following four funds -
  - Education Fund
  - Operations Fund
  - Debt Service Fund
  - Rainy Day Fund

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## Education Fund

- Largest Fund accounting for over 60% of budget expenditures
- Major expenditures from Education Fund include staffing costs for all academic areas, support services and building administration, along with I.T. support costs and educational supplies
- Primary revenue from State Basic Grant (driven by ADM), no property tax levy
- Budget reflects projected increases to salaries and benefits

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## Operations Fund

- Major expenditures from Operations Fund include district administration, facility maintenance & utilities, capital projects, transportation, school bus replacement and equipment purchases
- Primary funding through property taxes, with maximum levy limited to \$4,694,929 for 2024
- A portion of State Basic Grant may be transferred from Education to Operations Fund
  - 2024 – budget transfer of \$840,000 from Education Fund
  - \*same as 2023 and less than 5% of State Basic Grant
- Requires adoption of CPF and Bus Replacement plans

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## Operations - Capital Projects Plan

### BATESVILLE COMMUNITY SCHOOL CORPORATION 2023 Statement of Values – Facilities & Equipment

Location	Sq. Footage	Buildings
Administration Building	4,230	931,860
High School & Athletic Facilities	220,690	58,959,175
Middle School	106,824	28,600,937
Intermediate School	101,632	23,856,596
Primary School	86,295	21,096,078
Other	11,069	1,508,162
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>530,740</b>	<b>\$134,952,808</b>

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## Operations – Capital Projects Plan

- Capital projects plan must identify equipment purchases and proposed projects that exceed \$10,000
- BCSC plan includes equipment purchase of one SRO vehicle
- BCSC Plan also includes multiple projects in excess of \$10,000, including mechanical upgrades, roof section replacements, parking lot improvements, interior finishes, and athletic/playground improvements

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## Operations - Transportation

- Operating expenses for school day and extra-curricular trips paid from fund
- BCSC operates 28 routes and over 1,000 miles each day to transport students to/from school
- Roughly 75% of students ride at least occasionally, as well as SLS students
- We are currently in first year of 4-year agreement with contracted bus routes (expires end of 2026-27 school year)

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## Operations - Bus Replacement Plan

- Used to purchase BCSC school buses and activity buses only
- No contribution toward contractor-owned buses
- In order to establish bus replacement plan, must advertise and maintain replacement schedule
- 2024 plan includes **replacement** of one type "D" 84-passenger bus and two activity buses
- 2024 total bus replacement budget - \$350,000

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## Operations - Bus Replacement Plan

		Estimated Replacement Costs						
Bus Description	Corp ID Number	Type of Bus/Vehicle per DOE/TN	Owned or Leased	2024	2025	2026	2027	2028
1	Freightliner	16	2012 C	Owned		\$125,000		
2	Freightliner	17	2012 C	Owned		\$125,000		
3	Thomas	3	2012 D	Owned	\$150,000			
4	Freightliner	41	2012 C	Owned		\$100,000		
5	Thomas	43	2012 C	Owned		\$120,000		
6	International	45	2013 C	Owned			\$125,000	
7	Chevrolet Micro-Bus	8	2013 A	Owned	\$100,000			
8	Chevrolet Micro-Bus	C	2013 A	Owned	\$100,000			
9	Chevrolet Micro-Bus	D	2013 A	Owned		\$80,000		
10	Thomas	26	2014 D	Owned			\$175,000	
11	Thomas	28	2014 D	Owned			\$175,000	
12	Thomas	49	2016 C	Owned				\$130,000
13	Thomas	42	2016 C	Owned				\$130,000
14	Thomas	80	2016 C	Owned				\$150,000
15	Thomas	8	2016 C	Owned				
16	Thomas	9	2016 C	Owned				
17	Thomas	10	2016 C	Owned				
18	Thomas	22	2016 D	Owned				
19	Thomas	24	2017 D	Owned				
20	Thomas	1	2018 D	Owned				
21	Thomas	70	2018 C	Owned				
22	Thomas	6	2019 D	Owned				
23	Thomas	90	2019C	Owned				
24	Thomas	20	2020 D	Owned				
25	Thomas	21	2020 D	Owned				
26	Thomas	4	2021 C	Owned				
27	Chevrolet Blazer	A	2021 A	Owned				
28	Thomas	18	2022 C	Owned				
29	Thomas	5	2024 C	Owned				
Replacement Cost Total				\$350,000	\$330,000	\$375,000	\$350,000	\$450,000

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## Debt Service Fund

- Purpose is to pay legally incurred debts, bond issues, and interest on short term loans

Name of Debt Issue	2nd half 2023	full year 2024	1st half 2025
Unreimbursed textbooks	\$35,694		
General Obligation Bonds – BPS 2014	\$131,476		
General Obligation Bonds – BHS 2021	\$115,225	\$235,300	\$120,056
Lease Rental - BHS/BMS 2019	\$70,000	\$239,000	\$117,500
Lease Rental - BHS 2016	\$329,000	\$658,000	\$329,500
Lease Rental - BHS/BIS 2020	\$686,000	\$1,370,000	\$685,500
Lease Rental – BHS 2022	\$180,000	\$309,000	\$153,500
Anticipated Debt Service		\$750,000	\$475,000
<b>TOTAL DEBT SERVICE FUND</b>	<b>\$1,550,545</b>	<b>\$3,561,300</b>	<b>\$1,881,056</b>

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## Rainy Day Fund

- Established for the purpose of setting aside funds to pay for irregular pension and severance obligations
- Could be used for other needs only with resolution of School Board
- 2024 – advertised appropriation of \$50,000
- Current cash balance is \$58,978

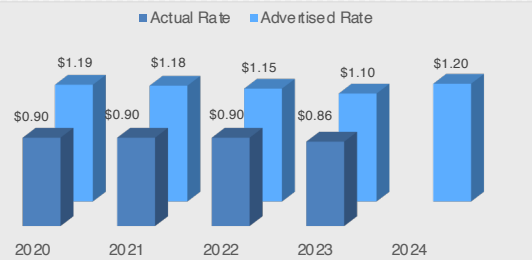
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## Appropriations History

	Education	Operations	Debt Service	Rainy Day	TOTAL
2017	\$14,800,000	\$5,009,000	\$2,580,000	\$150,000	\$22,539,000
2018	\$14,500,000	\$5,090,000	\$2,580,000	\$150,000	\$22,320,000
2019	\$14,100,000	\$6,190,000	\$2,890,000	\$150,000	\$23,330,000
2020	\$14,400,000	\$6,050,000	\$2,890,000	\$150,000	\$23,490,000
2021	\$14,578,741	\$6,300,000	\$2,947,128	\$150,000	\$23,975,869
2022	\$15,200,000	\$6,500,000	\$2,977,313	\$43,205	\$24,720,518
2023	\$15,960,000	\$7,091,000	\$3,255,373	\$50,000	\$26,356,373
<b>2024</b>	<b>\$16,800,000</b>	<b>\$7,300,000</b>	<b>\$3,561,300</b>	<b>\$50,000</b>	<b>\$27,711,300</b>

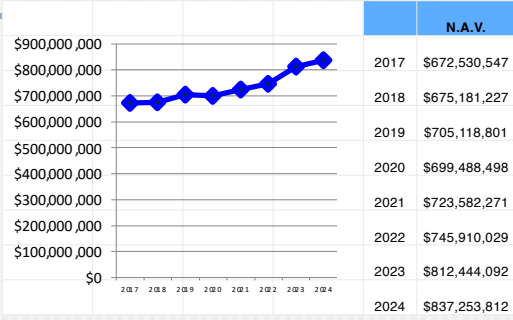
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## Tax Rate History



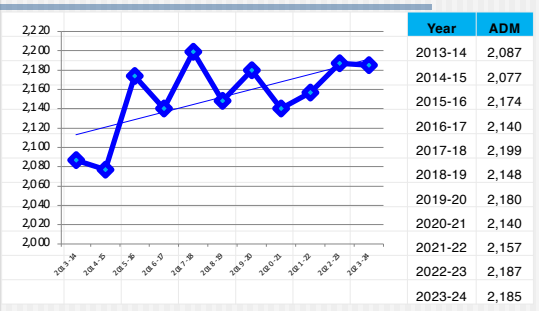
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## Net Assessed Valuation History



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## Enrollment History - ADM



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## 2024 Budget Hearing

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