

BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING MINUTES
I.S.D. #2534 BIRD ISLAND-OLIVIA-LAKE LILLIAN
APRIL 22, 2019 – 7:00 P.M.
BIRD ISLAND MEDIA CENTER

Pursuant to due call and notice thereof, a Board of Education Meeting of I.S.D. #2534, Renville County, Minnesota, was held on the 22nd day of April, at 7:00 p.m. in the Bird Island Media Center.

Members Present: Sandy Benson, Jamie Bohlin, Traci Buchtel, John Desotell, Jill Hanson and Melissa Sagedahl.

Members Absent: Jeff Benson

Administration Present: Dale Brandsoy, Superintendent; Jim Menton, High School Principal; and Derek Flann, Activities Director/Community Education Coordinator

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Chair Hanson.

Agenda: Bohlin moved and S. Benson seconded a motion to approve the agenda as amended. Motion carried unanimously.

Public Forum: Mark Glesener commented about the poor condition of the Bird Island Campus. Paul Heyl also commented on the neglect of the Bird Island Campus. John Jacobs said that curriculum and teachers are the most important.

Consent Items: Sagedahl moved and Hanson seconded a motion to approve the following consent agenda items as presented:

Approved Bills for Payment

Approved Minutes: March 25, 2019 Regular Meeting
Motion carried unanimously.

Personnel:

Lindsey Becker - Elementary Teacher: Buchtel moved and S. Benson seconded a motion to approve the resignation of Lindsey Becker, Elementary Teacher, effective at the end of the 2018-2019 school year. Motion carried unanimously.

Sarah Mertens - Secondary Social Studies Teacher: Desotell moved and Sagedahl seconded a motion to approve the resignation of Sarah Mertens, Secondary Social Studies Teacher, effective at the end of the 2018-2019 school year. Motion carried unanimously.

Sarah Mertens - National Honor Society Advisor: Bohlin moved and Buchtel seconded a motion to approve the resignation of Sarah Mertens, National Honor Society Advisor, effective at the end of the 2018-2019 school year. Motion carried unanimously.

April Ritzer - Elementary Special Education Teacher: Buchtel moved and S. Benson seconded a motion to approve the resignation of April Ritzer, Elementary Special Education Teacher, effective at the end of the 2018-2019 school year. Motion carried unanimously.

Colleen Albers - Cook Helper: Sagedahl moved and Buchtel seconded a motion to approve the termination of Colleen Albers, Cook Helper in the Elementary Campus, effective March 29, 2019. Motion carried unanimously.

Christena Svoboda Ojeda - Secondary Spanish Teacher: Bohlin moved and Buchtel seconded a motion to approve Christena Svoboda Ojeda as a 1.0 FTE Secondary Spanish Teacher, beginning with the 2019-2020 School Year. Pay Level MA/BA+60/Step 5 of the 2017-2019 EA Master Agreement. Motion carried unanimously.

Denny Spielmann - JH Baseball Coach: Sagedahl moved and S. Benson seconded a motion to approve Denny Spielmann as a .5 FTE Junior High Baseball Coach, beginning with the 2018-2019 school year. Pay Level F/Step 0 of the 2017-2019 EA Master Agreement. Motion carried unanimously.

Zach Revier - JH Baseball Coach: Bohlin moved and Sagedahl seconded a motion to approve Zach Revier as a .5 FTE Junior High Baseball Coach, beginning with the 2018-2019 school year. Pay Level F/Step 0 of the 2017-2019 EA Master Agreement. Motion carried unanimously.

Nick Steffel - JH Wrestling Coach: Buchtel moved and Bohlin seconded a motion to approve Nick Steffel as a 1.0 FTE Junior High Wrestling Coach, beginning with the 2019-2020 school year. Pay Level E/Step 0 of the 2017-2019 EA Master Agreement. Motion carried unanimously.

Reports:

Superintendent Report:

District Steering Committee Update: The second meeting was held in the High School Cafeteria, 6:00pm, Wednesday, April 24. There was an excellent turnout at the meeting and good to see public involvement. The board is observing and listening to make sure decisions are supported by the community. BOLD has a strong staff and the committee is researching and looking at all options. The focus needs to be on the students.

Legislative Proposals: Governor proposed \$133 million to fund public education, House proposed \$900 million, and Senate proposed \$206 million. Talk to your legislators.

Legislative Action: School Calendar Adjustment for 2018-2019. The days lost to weather will be forgiven.

Budget Update: The administration is looking at budget reductions for next school year.

Facility and Grade Configurations for the 2019-2020 school year: There are major roof repairs to be done. The administration is recommending moving 5th and 6th grade to the Olivia Campus.

Elementary Principal Report: Nothing further to report.

High School Principal Report: S.T.E.M. Teacher of the Month is Ashley Maher, Secondary Science Teacher. Last month S.T.E.M. Teacher of the Month was Tami Steffel, Elementary Teacher. The Robotics Team has received donations and will be competing at the World FIRST Robotics Competition.

Activities Report: ECFE - BOLD was the first school to offer free tuition and transportation to the 3 and 4 year old students of the Little Warriors Program.

School Board Committee Reports: Desotell asked about the teachers making up the snow days. They will fulfill their contract of 181 days.

Pool Board Report: School Board and Pool Board need to meet and review expenses.

New Business:

2018-2019 Revised Budget: Desotell moved and S. Benson seconded a motion to approve the 2018-2019 revised budget. Motion carried unanimously.

BOLD 1:1 iPad Program Policy: Sagedahl moved and Buchtel seconded a motion to approve the BOLD 1:1 iPad Program Policy. Motion carried unanimously.

Policy #524 Internet Acceptable Use and Safety Policy: Bohlin moved and Buchtel seconded a motion to approve Policy 524 Internet Acceptable Use and Safety Policy. Motion carried unanimously.

May Board Meeting: Buchtel moved and Bohlin seconded a motion to approve changing the date for the May board meeting to May 20, 2019. Motion carried unanimously.

PACT For Families Contract for Tom Kroes, K-12 Social Worker: S. Benson moved and Sagedahl seconded a motion to approve the PACT For Families Contract for Tom Kroes, K-12 Social Worker for the 2019-2020 School Year. Motion carried unanimously.

Retirement Party: Buchtel moved and Bohlin seconded a motion to approve May 22, 2019 for the Retirement Party at the High School Media Center. Motion carried unanimously. Due to conflicts on May 22, the Retirement Party will be held on May 29, 2019 at the High School Media Center.

2019-2020 Licensed Staff Assignments: Hanson moved and Buchtel seconded a motion to approve the 2019-2020 Licensed Staff Assignments. Motion carried 5-0 with Sagedahl abstaining.

Notice of Desire to Negotiate - BOLD EA: S. Benson moved and Buchtel seconded a motion to approve the Notice of Desire to Negotiate form for BOLD Education Association. Motion carried 5-0 with Sagedahl abstaining.

MOU - Teacher Implementation Plan: Bohlin moved and Hanson seconded a motion to approve the MOU - Teacher Implementation Plan. Motion carried 5-0 with Sagedahl abstaining.

Student Summer Workers: S. Benson moved and Sagedahl seconded a motion to recommend hiring 2-3 Student Summer Workers for the Custodial Department to help with cleaning. Motion carried unanimously.

Summer School Program: Buchtel moved and S. Benson seconded a motion to approve a Summer School Program for the summer of 2019. Motion carried unanimously.

Ballpark Complex Contract: S. Benson moved and Hanson seconded a motion to approve the Ballpark Complex Contract for April 1 - August 31, 2019. Motion carried unanimously.

Resolution for School Calendar Adjustment for the 2018-2019 School Year: Sagedahl moved and Bohlin seconded a motion to approve the Resolution For School Calendar Adjustment for the 2018-2019 School Year. Motion carried unanimously.

Pennies for Patients/TOMF: The BOLD National Honor Society sponsored a Pennies for Patients fundraiser with the proceeds of approximately \$800 going to the TOMF. Bill and Janelle Neubauer responded with the following: “ We received the BOLD Pennies for Patients donation today and were in awe! We can’t thank you enough for organizing this amazing project and for supporting the TOMF! Please pass along our thanks to the students and teachers, especially to the 12 that went above and beyond to raise additional funds. We would love to see pictures if you would be willing to share. Your support is greatly appreciated!”

Upcoming Dates:

May 20, 2019 - School Board Meeting @ 7:00 pm - Bird Island Media Center

May 29, 2019 - Retirement Party @ 3:30 pm - High School Media Center

May 31, 2019 – Last Day of School for Students

May 31, 2019 – Graduation @ 7:00 pm

Acknowledge and Accept Gifts, Grants, & Bequests: Sagedahl moved and S. Benson seconded a motion to accept the following donations:

Accepted a donation from Ben and Jamie Bohlin for \$50 for the BOLD FIRST Robotics Team.

Accepted a donation from Bill and Janelle Neubauer for \$100 for the BOLD FIRST Robotics Team.

Accepted a donation from Olivia Lions Club for \$400 for the BOLD FIRST Robotics Team.

Accepted a donation from Bruce and Lyn Knoke for \$500 for the BOLD FIRST Robotics Team.

Accepted an anonymous donation for \$1,000 for the BOLD FIRST Robotics Team.

Adjourn: Bohlin moved and Hanson seconded a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:28 p.m. Motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully Submitted,

Traci Buchtel
Board Clerk