

BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING MINUTES  
I.S.D. #2534 BIRD ISLAND-OLIVIA-LAKE LILLIAN  
MARCH 30, 2020 – 6:00 P.M.  
VIRTUAL MEETING

Pursuant to due call and notice thereof, a Board of Education Meeting of I.S.D. #2534, Renville County, Minnesota, was held on the 30<sup>th</sup> day of March at 6:00 p.m. as a virtual meeting.

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

Members Absent: None

Administration Present: Dale Brandsoy, Superintendent; Brett Benson, Elementary Principal; Jim Menton, High School Principal; Derek Flann, Activities Director.

The meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m. by Chair Hanson.

Agenda: Buchtel moved and Sagedahl seconded a motion to approve the agenda as presented. Motion carried unanimously by roll call vote.

Recognition of Visitors to Board Meeting: Hanson thanked everyone for being a part of the virtual meeting.

Public Forum: Mark Glesener talked about the mold reports again on the 3rd floor of the Elementary Campus. He asked why there was a second assessment done.  
Neal Prokosch talked about the mold issue again as well.  
Deanna Beckler commented about the school board members having negative attitudes. She also asked some questions about moving the K-4 students to the High School Campus, such as asking if the rumors about portable classrooms were true or false. She also asked if it was true that items were already being moved to the High School Campus from the Elementary Campus.  
Jim Jacobs also asked about moving the students to the High School Campus.  
Teresa Jacobs feels she is not getting answers when asking questions.

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

Approved Bills for Payment

Approved Minutes: February 24, 2020 Regular Meeting  
Motion carried unanimously by roll call vote.

Personnel:

Ashley Eisenbraun - High School Agriculture/Industrial Tech Teacher: Buchtel moved and Sagedahl seconded a motion to approve Ashley Eisenbraun as the High School Agriculture/Industrial Tech Teacher, beginning with the 2020-2021 School Year. Pay Level BA+0 of the 2017-2019 EA Master Agreement. Motion carried unanimously by roll call vote.

Raquel Anderson - JV Dance Team Coach: Sagedahl moved and Bohlin seconded a motion to approve the resignation of Raquel Anderson, JV Dance Team Coach, effective February 5, 2020. Motion carried

unanimously by roll call vote.

Tim Minkel - JV Baseball Coach: J. Benson moved and Buchtel seconded a motion to approve Tim Minkel as the JV Baseball Coach, beginning with the 2019-2020 school year. Pay Level D/Step 0 of the 2017-2019 EA Master Agreement. Motion carried unanimously by roll call vote.

Baylie Kubesh - Varsity Volleyball Coach: Buchtel moved and Sagedahl seconded a motion to approve Baylie Kubesh as the Varsity Volleyball Coach beginning with the 2020-2021 school year. Pay Level A/Step 0 of the 2017-2019 EA Master Agreement. Motion carried unanimously by roll call vote.

#### Reports:

##### Superintendent Report:

Legislative Update: Mr. Brandsoy talked about the state updates and the Distant Learning Plan. The staff has been working very hard to develop a well planned Distant Learning Plan. The state has also waived the MCA testing for this spring. The school, by Governor Walz's directive, has to provide childcare for medical/essential workers and provide meals for all students that request them. Our Food Service staff is feeding over 500 students everyday with sack breakfasts and lunches.

School Calendar 2020-2021: Mr. Brandsoy asked the board to review the calendar and to let him know if they have any questions.

Facility Plan Update: The Facility Committee will be meeting again to discuss issues with the local hospital and the Elementary Campus.

Elementary Principal Report: Mr. Benson thanked the elementary staff for all of their hard work!

High School Principal Report: Mr. Menton also thanked the Jr./Sr. High staff for all of their hard work as well! The Food Service staff, along with some of the Paraprofessionals, are preparing approximately 519 meals every day. There are around 25-30 students in the childcare program at this time.

Activities Report: Mr. Flann reported that all spring activities are being pushed back until at least May.

School Board Committee Reports: Jeff Benson reported on the facilities meeting.

Pool Board Report: No further information.

#### New Business

District information on COVID 19 Pandemic - Dale Brandsoy: Mr. Brandsoy discussed Governor Walz' "Stay-At-Home Order" and how that is affecting the school. The teachers came in for almost 2 weeks to plan for the Distance Learning that started March 30th. Elementary students were given ipads and the childcare will continue. Please be patient and flexible during this process. The Distance Learning will continue until at least May 4, 2020.

Building Assessment Report: Institute for Environmental Assessment (IEA) Report and Recommendation: Mr. Brandsoy gave a recap of what's been happening at the elementary campus building. Since the fall of 2018 when they closed 2 classrooms due to mold issues to June 2019 when the mold was remediated. IEA came in October 2019 to recheck the third floor for mold and found more mold due to condensation on the exterior walls. Sagedahl moved and Hanson seconded a motion to allow the administration team

to move forward with a plan. The motion was amended to include the facilities committee, ICS and IEA. The amendment was voted on and carried unanimously with a roll call vote. The amended motion was then voted on and carried unanimously by roll call vote.

Temporary Easement Agreement with the City of Olivia: Desotell moved and Sagedahl seconded a motion to approve a Temporary Easement Agreement with the City of Olivia. Motion carried unanimously by roll call vote.

Ballpark Complex Contract: J. Benson moved and Bohlin seconded a motion to approve the Ballpark Complex Contract for April 1st - August 31st, 2020. Motion carried unanimously by roll call vote.

Policy #535 Service Animals in Schools: Sagedahl moved and S. Benson seconded a motion to approve Policy #535 Service Animals in Schools (Dog or Miniature Horse). Motion carried unanimously by roll call vote.

Policy #301 School District Administration: Desotell moved and Buchtel seconded a motion to approve Policy #301 School District Administration. Motion carried unanimously by roll call vote.

Policy #302 Superintendent: Bohlin moved and Buchtel seconded a motion to approve Policy #302 Superintendent. Motion carried unanimously by roll call vote.

Policy #303 Superintendent Selection: Buchtel moved and Bohlin seconded a motion to approve Policy #303 Superintendent Selection. Motion carried unanimously by roll call vote.

Second Reading of the Following Policies:

- a. Policy #208 Development, Adoption, and Implementation of Policies
- b. Policy #419 Tobacco-Free Environment; Possession and Use of Tobacco, Tobacco-Related Devices, and Electronic Delivery Devices

Acknowledge and Accept Gifts, Grants, and Bequests: Bohlin moved and S. Benson seconded a motion to adopt a Resolution to Acknowledge and Accept the Gifts, Grants, & Bequests as follows:

Accepted a donation of \$100 from Max's Grill, toward the BOLD FIRST Robotics Team.

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

Accepted a donation of \$50 from Keith and Sara McNamara toward the BOLD FIRST Robotics Team.

Accepted a donation of \$100 from Keltgen Technology LightBeam Internet toward the BOLD FIRST Robotics Team.

Accepted a donation of \$100 from Keltgens, Inc. toward the BOLD FIRST Robotics Team.

Accepted a donation of \$250 from the Olivia Kiwanis Club toward the BOLD  
FIRST Robotics Team.  
Motion carried unanimously.

Closed Session - Superintendent Evaluation: Buchtel moved and Sagedahl seconded a motion to move to a closed session for the superintendent evaluation at 7:19 p.m. Motion carried unanimously by roll call vote. Hanson moved and Desotell seconded a motion to reopen the meeting at 8:14 p.m. Motion carried unanimously by roll call vote.

Adjourn: Hanson moved and Bohlin seconded a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:14 p.m. Motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully Submitted,

Traci Buchtel  
Board Clerk