

BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING MINUTES
I.S.D. #2534 BIRD ISLAND-OLIVIA-LAKE LILLIAN
FEBRUARY 28, 2022 – 7:00 P.M.
DISTRICT OFFICE

Pursuant to due call and notice thereof, a Board of Education Meeting of I.S.D. #2534, Renville County, Minnesota, was held on the 28th day of February at 7:00 p.m. in the District Office.

Members Present: Sandy Benson, Jamie Bohlin, Traci Buchtel, Jill Hanson, Theresa Jacobs and Todd Sheehan

Members Absent: Brian Boen

Administration Present: Jim Menton, Superintendent; Brett Benson, K-12 Principal

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Chair Hanson. Hanson led everyone in the Pledge of Allegiance and then read the mission statement.

Agenda: Jacobs moved and Buchtel seconded a motion to approve the agenda as amended. Motion carried 5-1 with Bohlin voting against.

Recognition of Visitors to Board Meeting: Hanson thanked everyone for attending the meeting and those watching through YouTube.

Public Forum: John O’Neill talked about the Finance Committee Meeting.

School Board Recognition Week: Mr. Menton thanked the school board members for all their hard work and for being a school board member.

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

Approved Bills for Payment

Approved Minutes: January 24, 2022 Regular Meeting
 Motion carried 4-2 with Benson and Jacobs voting against.

Personnel:

Derek Flann: Buchtel moved and Hanson seconded a motion to approve the Activities Director/Community Education Coordinator/Dean of Students contract for Derek Flann for FY22 and FY23. Motion carried 4-2 with Benson and Jacobs voting against.

Kendra Nolting: Bohlin moved and Sheehan seconded a motion to approve Kendra Nolting as a Special Education Paraprofessional, effective January 24, 2022. Motion carried unanimously.

Raquel Anderson: Benson moved and Bohlin seconded a motion to approve Raquel (Amberg) Anderson as a Volunteer Dance Team Coach for the 2021-2022 school year. Motion carried unanimously.

Becky Thole: Jacobs moved and Buchtel seconded a motion to approve Becky Thole as a Little Warriors Preschool Paraprofessional, effective February 28, 2022. Motion carried unanimously.

Jessica Martinez: Sheehan moved and Benson seconded a motion to approve the resignation of Jessica Martinez, Special Education Paraprofessional, effective January 11, 2022. Motion carried unanimously.

Steve Solem: Benson moved and Buchtel seconded a motion to approve the resignation of Steve Solem, Junior High Track Coach, effective February 9, 2022. Motion carried unanimously. Benson thanked Mr. Solem for his years of service and commitment to coaching!

Tonia Ziller: Sheehan moved and Bohlin seconded a motion to approve the resignation of Tonia Ziller, effective January 27, 2022. Motion carried unanimously.

Karen Smith: Jacobs moved and Benson seconded a motion to approve the resignation of Karen Smith, Dance Team Coach, effective February 23, 2022. Motion carried unanimously. Jacobs thanked Mrs. Smith for her years of service and commitment to coaching!

Spring Extra and Co-Curricular Coaches: Bohlin moved and Buchtel seconded a motion to approve the following 2021-2022 Spring Extra and Co-Curricular Positions:

Position	Name	FTE	Level
Head Baseball Coach	Brian Kingery	1	A
Assistant Varsity Baseball Coach	Derek Flann	1	B
Assistant JV Baseball Coach	Trent Athmann	1	B
JH Baseball Coach	Denny Spielmann	1	C
JH Baseball Coach	EMPTY	1	C
Head Golf Coach	Dave Altmann	1	A
Head Golf Coach	Dan Gross	1	A
JV Golf Coach	Matt Sullivan	1	B
JH Golf Coach	TBD	1	C
Volunteer Golf Coach	Steve Altmann	0	0
Head Softball Coach	Heidi Mack	1	A
Assistant Varsity Softball Coach	EMPTY	1	B
Assistant (JV) Softball Coach	EMPTY	1	B
JH Softball Coach	Theodore Gloege	1	C
Volunteer Softball Coach	Erin Flann	0	0
Volunteer Softball Coach	Elsa Skeie	0	0
Head Track Coach	Jen Jahnke	1	A
Assistant Track Coach	Michelle Peppel	1	B
Assistant Track Coach	Kelly Matthies-Carlson	1	B
Assistant Track Coach	Matt Zupke	1	B
JH Track Coach	Tyler Schindler	1	C
JH Track Coach	Brad Oldre	1	C
Volunteer Track Coach	Ally Johnson	0	0
Volunteer Track Coach	Evan Peppel	0	0

Brett Benson: Buchtel moved and Bohlin seconded a motion to approve Brett Benson as the JH Golf Coach for the 2021-2022 school year. Motion carried unanimously.

Reports:

Superintendent Report:

Legislative Update: Mr. Menton explained the many proposals happening right now in the state legislature.

Facilities Update: Mr. Menton gave an update about the Indoor Air Quality Testing.

Indoor air quality testing: IEA will be in the school testing the Olivia school and the gymnasium/lobby area of the Bird Island School.

Request to Negotiate received from AFSCME (P,FS & AA): Mr. Menton let the board know that he received the request to negotiate and would like the board to have a closed session for negotiations strategies at the end of March.

K-12 Principal Report: Mr. Benson started his report with the Afterschool Homework Help. The program is going well. MCA tests will be starting soon. 9-12 Grade schedules will be similar next year while 7-8 Grade schedules will have slight changes. He would like to see a Math or Reading hour instead of a study hall if students are not in Choir or Band.

Activities Report: No further information.

School Board Committee Reports and Discussion: Jacobs reported on the Finance Committee meeting. They met with Lindsey Heine, Business Manager, and discussed the Long Term Facilities Maintenance Plan and the Community Education Fund. Bohlin reported on the Facilities Committee meeting. The committee interviewed six (6) companies. Jackie Edwards added the committee is made up of a diverse group of citizens and all are invested in our community. The committee is interested in Nexus and will be asking further questions to this company.

Pool Report: No further information.

New Business

Nexus Solutions, LLC: Tabled until the March 28th regular meeting.

YMCA-BOLD-Olivia Hospital Foundation Collaborative Agreement: Jackie Edwards gave a presentation updating the board on the changes and updates with the collaborative. She also reiterated this will be an addition/enhancement to the community education program, not take the place of the program. The YMCA and the Olivia Hospital Board have approved the agreement. Mr. Flann will be the connection for the school in helping with scheduling and logistics. Buchtel moved and Bohlin seconded a motion to approve the YMCA-BOLD-Olivia Hospital Foundation Collaborative Agreement. Motion carried unanimously.

Island Hub Nonprofit 501(c)(3) Board of Directors: Mark Glesener gave a presentation describing and explaining the Island Hub nonprofit 501(c)(3). This group would be a combination of the Bird Island Cultural Center/Rural Computer Consultants and BOLD School and use the Bird Island building in several different ways, including a community center, fitness center, and greenhouse. The idea is to make this a multifunctional/multipurpose area for the community. The board will consist of 1-2 members from each group. Todd Sheehan volunteered to be a part of this Board of Directors with Theresa Jacobs being the alternate.

Resolution to Enter into a Cooperative Agreement Between Bird Island-Olivia-Lake Lillian, ISD #2534 & Renville County West, ISD #2890 for Softball: Benson moved and Bohlin seconded a motion to approve a Resolution To Enter into a Cooperative Agreement Between Bird Island-Olivia-Lake Lillian, ISD #2534 & Renville County West, ISD #2890 for Softball. Motion carried unanimously.

Second Reading of Policy 721 - Uniform Grant Guidance Policy Regarding Federal Revenue Sources

First Reading of Policy 404 Employment Background Checks

2022-2023 School Calendar: Buchtel moved and Hanson seconded a motion to approve the 2022-2023 School Calendar. Motion carried unanimously with the changes mentioned.

2021-2023 EA Master Agreement: Bohlin moved and Buchtel seconded a motion to approve the 2021-2023 EA Master Agreement. Motion carried unanimously.

Upcoming Dates:

March 28, 2022 Regular Meeting 7:00 p.m. District Office

Acknowledge and Accept Gifts, Grants and Bequests: Jacobs moved and Sheehan seconded a motion to accept the following donations:

Accepted a donation of shot clocks for the Bird Island Large Gym from an anonymous donor for the BOLD School.

Accepted a donation of \$100 from Dirks-Blem Funeral Service, Inc. for the BOLD FIRST Robotics Team.

Accepted a donation of \$250 from Boen Chiropractic PA for the BOLD FIRST Robotics Team.

Accepted a donation of \$50 from Kraft Walser Law Office for the BOLD FIRST Robotics Team.

Accepted a donation of \$500 from FM Bank for the BOLD FIRST Robotics Team.

Accepted a donation of \$500 from Sheehan's Gas Company for the BOLD FIRST Robotics Team.

Accepted a donation of \$750 from Southern Minnesota Beet Sugar Cooperative for the BOLD FIRST Robotics Team.

Accepted a donation of \$50 from Frandsen Bank & Trust for the BOLD FIRST Robotics Team.

Accepted a donation of \$100 from Citizens Alliance Bank for the BOLD FIRST Robotics Team.

Accepted a donation of \$100 from Farmward Cooperative for the BOLD FIRST Robotics Team.

Accepted a donation of \$300 from K&S Electric, Inc. for the BOLD FIRST Robotics Team.

Accepted a donation of \$500 from Olivia Lions Club for the BOLD FIRST Robotics Team.

Accepted a donation of \$50 from Eric J. Skeie State Farm Insurance for the BOLD FIRST Robotics Team.

Accepted a donation of \$500 from Triad Construction LLC for the BOLD FIRST Robotics Team.

Accepted a donation of \$100 from George Paur Agency, Inc. for the BOLD FIRST Robotics Team.

Accepted a donation of \$250 from Hebrink Wealth Management - Cory Hebrink for the BOLD FIRST Robotics Team.

Accepted a donation of \$50 from H&L Printing Services for the BOLD FIRST Robotics Team.

Accepted a donation of \$50 from Keltgen Wheel, LLC for the BOLD FIRST Robotics Team.

Accepted a donation of \$50 from Fischer Laser Eye Center LLC for the BOLD FIRST Robotics Team.

Accepted a donation of \$50 from Big Stone Therapies, Inc. for the BOLD FIRST Robotics Team.

Accepted a donation of \$60 from The Pages of our Communities Foundation D/B/A BOLD Wrestling Boosters for the BOLD FIRST Robotics Team.

Accepted a donation of \$25 from Olivia Appliance, Inc. for the BOLD FIRST Robotics Team.

Accepted a donation of \$100 from Kibble Equipment LLC for the BOLD FIRST Robotics Team.

Motion carried unanimously.

Closed Session: Bohlin moved and Buchtel seconded a motion to move to closed session for the Superintendent Evaluation. Motion carried unanimously.

Bohlin moved and Hanson seconded a motion to reopen the meeting at 9:00 p.m. Motion carried unanimously.

Adjourn: Jacobs moved and Benson seconded a motion to adjourn the meeting at 9:00 p.m. Motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully Submitted,

Traci Buchtel
Board Clerk