

BUREAU VALLEY DISTRICT #340
MEETING OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION
TUESDAY, MARCH 20, 2018
SECRETARY'S RECORDING

Determining that a quorum was present, President King called the regular meeting to order at 5:30pm and directed the Secretary to call the roll.

ROLL CALL

PRESENT: Dye, Johnson, King, Olds, Siltman, Wiggim, Yepsen

ABSENT: None

During Building Reports, Mr. Jason Spang wanted to highlight BVHS student, Isabelle Wright, who was named the March Student of the Month by the National Jostens Renaissance organization. Mrs. Kristie Cady thanked the Walnut Police Department and Bureau County Sheriff's department for their help with the school's safety plan. Josh Bell, Technology Director, updated the Board on the installation of access points at the high school. Vicki Litherland, Athletic Director, reported that the Boys Track Team finished 4th at the Newman Invite last week and the Girls Track Team won the Byron Invite.

During Committee Reports, Mr. Lawson reported that the Curriculum Committee met to discuss the curriculum guide, class rank and weighted grades. There is need for some changes and a sub-committee is being formed.

Mr. Don King, Board President, thanked the members of the Bureau Valley Community United for Yes committee. Mr. Lawson thanked the community and the board for their support.

Mrs. LeRette introduced Laurie Bitting, BVS 3rd grade teacher. Mrs. Bitting brought 4 students, Garrett Gross, Presleigh Morrissey, Aiden Litherland and Jennah Menery, to explain how they use Flexible Seating in their classroom. Mrs. Decker-Platz introduced the BVS JH Scholastic Bowl team and coach Mae Rediger. Mrs. Rediger has coached Scholastic Bowl for 28 years. This team went undefeated and was 1st in the BVEC Conference.

There was no public comment.

It was moved by Siltman and seconded by Yepsen to approve the consent agenda items:

1. Regular Meeting Minutes of February 27, 2018
2. Activity Account Reports
3. Monthly Financial and Treasurer's Reports
4. Bureau Valley #340 Bills and Payroll
5. IHSA Membership Renewal
6. BVHS Renaissance Club Trip

ROLL CALL

AYES: Dye, Johnson, King, Olds, Siltman, Wiggim, Yepsen

NAYS: None

MOTION CARRIED 7-0-0 Absent

The FY2019 School Calendar was presented. It was moved by Yepsen and seconded by Siltman to approve the FY2019 School Calendar as presented.

ROLL CALL

AYES: Dye, Johnson, King, Olds, Siltman, Wiggim, Yepsen

NAYS: None

MOTION CARRIED 7-0-0 Absent

The final district fee schedule for the 2018-19 school year was presented. Josh Bell spoke about the Technology Fee. When damage is done to a Chromebook, the actual cost to replace the parts or replace device are passed along to the student's family. However, more time is being spent on the care and repair of these devices. It was moved by Wiggim and seconded by Olds to approve the 2018-19 District Fee Schedule as presented.

ROLL CALL

AYES: Dye, Johnson, King, Olds, Siltman, Wiggim, Yepsen

NAYS: None

MOTION CARRIED 7-0-0 Absent

It was moved by Yepsen and seconded by Dye to approve the permanent transfer of Working Cash to Building Fund of \$100,000.

ROLL CALL

AYES: Dye, Johnson, King, Olds, Siltman, Wiggim, Yepsen

NAYS: None

MOTION CARRIED 7-0-0 Absent

It was moved by Wiggim and seconded by Dye to enter into executive session at 6:00p.m. for the appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance, or dismissal of specific employees or legal counsel for the public body, including hearing testimony on a complaint lodged against an employee of the public body or against legal counsel for the public body to determine its validity; Collective negotiating matters between the public body and its employees or their representatives, or deliberations concerning salary schedules for one or more classes of employees; Litigation, pending or probable, affecting or on behalf of the public body; Student disciplinary cases or Discussion of minutes of meetings lawfully closed under the Open Meetings Act, whether for purposes of approval by the body of the minutes or semi-annual review of the minutes.

ROLL CALL

AYES: Dye, Johnson, King, Olds, Siltman, Wiggim, Yepsen

NAYS: None

MOTION CARRIED 7-0-0 Absent

It was moved by Siltman and seconded by Johnson to close the executive session at 7:25p.m. and return to open session.

ROLL CALL

AYES: Dye, Johnson, King, Olds, Siltman, Wiggim, Yepsen

NAYS: None

MOTION CARRIED 7-0-0 Absent

ROLL CALL IN OPEN SESSION

PRESENT: Dye, Johnson, King, Olds, Siltman, Wiggim, Yepsen

ABSENT: None

It was moved by Yepsen and seconded by Wiggim to approve and retain the executive session minutes of February 27, 2018.

VOICE VOTE MOTION CARRIED

It was moved by Johnson and seconded by Wiggim to approve the dismissals of Christine Volk as BVS Teacher, Erin Sester as BVS Paraprofessional and Mike Kotapka as BVS JH Girls Basketball Coach; and accept the resignation of Emily Gallagher as BVS/BVWE Music Teacher at the end of the 17-18 School Year.

VOICE VOTE MOTION CARRIED

It was moved by Siltman and seconded by Wiggim to approve the employment of Maureen Somers as BVS JH Special Education Teacher, Daniel Trone as BVHS English Teacher, Pam Geerts as BVHS Spanish Teacher, Cordell Juhola as BVN Elementary Physical Education Teacher and BVN Boys Asst Basketball Coach, Dane Huseman as BVN Elementary Teacher, Brianne Blumhorst as BVHS Fresh/Soph Girls Softball Coach, Brett Helms as BVN Athletic Director, Scott Konneck as BVHS Athletic Fields Maintenance and Julie Decker-Platz as BVS JH Principal.

VOICE VOTE MOTION CARRIED

It was moved by Yepsen and seconded by Siltman to approve the following volunteer coaches: Brooklyn McMahon as BVHS Volunteer Softball Coach.

VOICE VOTE MOTION CARRIED

It was moved by Yepsen and seconded by Siltman to approve the attainment of tenure for Jim Nugent, Linnea Anderson, Jennifer Davis, Zach DeMay, Christ Gruber, Jeff Harris, Lucas Schultz and Anne Taylor.

VOICE VOTE MOTION CARRIED

It was moved by Johnson and seconded by Yepsen to adjourn the meeting at 7:30 p.m.

VOICE VOTE MOTION CARRIED

President

Secretary