REGULAR BOARD MEETING MINUTES

Administration Building
February 27, 2012
6:00 P.M.

The regular meeting of the Board of School Trustees of the Bluffton-Harrison Metropolitan School District was held on Monday, February 27, 2012, with all members present. Also in attendance was Mr. Wayne Barker, Superintendent; Brad Yates, Business Manager; Amy Dunwiddie, Corporation Secretary; Steve Baker, Stacy Morrison, Tom Gibson, Rick Mettler, and Julie Meitzler, Administrators; Dan York, faculty member; Scott Ribich and Ben Dailey, Technology Coordinators; Andy Carnall, BHMSD Attorney; and Chet Baumgartner, News Banner representative.

President Park called the meeting to order at 6:00 P.M.

President Park opened the meeting by recognizing Phillip Gerber for his 8th place finish at the State Wrestling meet and Sam Walburn for his 2 event wins at the Jay County Swim Sectional and his continuation on to place 28th at the State Swim meet.

Minutes for the regular meeting held on February 13, 2012, were approved on a motion by John Vanderkolk and seconded by Dawn Frauhiger. The motion passed unanimously.

Vouchers for the period of February 14, 2012, through February 27, 2012, were approved on a motion by Dawn Frauhiger and seconded by Daryl Elliott. The motion passed unanimously.

Mr. Yates provided an update on business and transportation issues within the district.

Mr. Barker, along with Daryl Elliott in his role as legislative liaison, updated the Board on the work of the General Assembly.

Mrs. Morrison and Mr. Mettler provided a presentation and update on the Random Student Drug Testing program. There was discussion about the decrease in grant funding for the program, but the board was supportive of the district providing the necessary funds to continue. The program has proved to be a deterrent for students, keeping them on track for success.

Mr. Barker outlined the schedule for the Professional Development/Parent-Teacher Conference day scheduled for March 15th. No students will be in attendance that day.

Mr. Barker and the Board congratulated Dan York for being selected as a recipient for the Lilly Endowment Teacher Creativity Fellowship Program. Mr. York was 1 of 119 teachers selected to receive an $8,000 award out of over 450 applications. Mr. York's plan will explore Apple computing systems and enhance skills in digital productions.

Mr. Barker presented information in regard to the recent outbreak of Measles and outlined the proper steps to be followed in case of a possible outbreak. All school personnel will be notified to locate their immunization records to keep on file with the building level nurses.

Mr. Barker updated the Board on the status of the building projects.

Mr. Barker informed the Board that there was no status to update on the Adams-Wells Special Services reorganization process.

Mr. Barker and Mr. Park provided updates on the 1:1 technology initiatives.

The Board approved the resignation request from Susan Jangada as the girls' head volleyball coach on a motion by Daryl Elliott and second by Dawn Frauhiger. The motion passed unanimously.

The Board approved the resignation request from Diane Johnson as the 7th grade girls' basketball coach and Future Lady Tigers Coordinator on a motion by Daryl Elliott and second by John Vanderkolk. The motion passed unanimously.

The Board approved the resignation request from Jon Rhinehart as the high school assistant football coach on a motion by John Vanderkolk and second by Daryl Elliott. The motion passed unanimously.

The Board approved the resignation request from Kyle Bricker as a middle school track coach on a motion by Dawn Frauhiger and second by Brent Hiday. The motion passed unanimously.

The Board approved the resignation request from Jack Johnson as the assistant varsity softball coach on a motion by Daryl Elliott and second by John Vanderkolk. The motion passed unanimously.

The Board approved the resignation request from Elyse Breeding as the Middle/High Choir Director as presented on a motion by Brent Hiday and second by Dawn Frauhiger. The motion passed unanimously.

The Board approved the retirement request from Sandra Fiechter as the high school athletic secretary as presented on a motion by Brent Hiday and second by Dawn Frauhiger. The motion passed unanimously with appreciation for her 25 years of service to the district.

The Board approved the recommendation to employ Jacque Raugh as a temporary teacher/show choir director through their final competition on March 10th. The motion by Daryl Elliott and second by John Vanderkolk passed unanimously with appreciation for her willingness to step into this position. The Board also granted permission for Mr. Barker and Mr. Park to work with the Teacher's Association to set an appropriate stipend for Mrs. Raugh.

The Board approved the employment recommendation for Kyle King as a volunteer middle school wrestling coach on a motion by John Vanderkolk and second by Dawn Frauhiger. The motion passed unanimously.

The Board approved an intent-to-employ agreement for the open middle school track coaching position on a motion by Brent Hiday and second by Daryl Elliott. The motion passed unanimously.

The Board approved the transfer of Cary Stewart from an elementary school custodian position to the high school custodian position as presented. The motion by Dawn Frauhiger and second by John Vanderkolk passed unanimously.

Mr. Andy Carnall provided a plan to redistrict the voter representation of the school district. State legislature mandates that voting precincts be somewhat equal in population. After a brief presentation, the Board approved a resolution (Correlated File #1112-18) for the redistricting plan as presented. The motion by Daryl Elliott and second by John Vanderkolk passed unanimously.

On a motion by Dawn Frauhiger and second by John Vanderkolk, the Board approved voiding thirteen (13) checks totaling $145.59 according to State Statute (IC 5-11-10.5-2). The motion passed unanimously.

Future topics will include the 1:1 Technology Initiative and a decision on the technology devices.

There being no additional business to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 7:03 P.M. on a motion by Dawn Frauhiger and second by John Vanderkolk. The motion passed unanimously.

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