

**BELLE PLAINE BOARD OF EDUCATION –
Belle Plaine Community School District**

**Meeting date/time/location: ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING- Wednesday, October 18, 2017
at 6:45 p.m., 707-7th Street, Belle Plaine, Iowa 52208**

The Belle Plaine Community School District in partnership with the community, will prepare students to become responsible, productive citizens and lifelong learners by providing a positive educational environment with a challenging, diversified curriculum.

A. CALL TO ORDER

B. ROLL CALL AND DECLARATION OF QUORUM

C. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

D. DELEGATIONS

E. CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS

1. Approval of the Minutes of the Sept. 20, 2017, Regular Meeting and Org. Meeting and minutes from September 27, 2017, Special Meeting
2. Approval of Bills, Payroll and the Financial Statements
3. Personnel/Business
 - a. Acceptance of Resignation(s)

F. REPORTS

1. Principal Coover

- I would like to thank the Belle Plaine Lion's Club for conducting vision screenings for the preschool and kindergarten students. We greatly appreciate their support.
- PTO once again is funding our Kindergarten students visit to the pumpkin farm. I would like to thank PTO for their partnership and support.
- At our October 12th professional development meeting, the elementary staff will be working with our new FAST data, as well as, math screener data, making instructional decisions based on student needs.
- MAP testing went very smoothly again this year with the help of Chromebooks. It was wonderful to have the opportunity to test all students on the same day at the same time. The students seem more comfortable with the testing as well.
- Parent Teacher Conferences are planned for October 23rd and 24th.

2. Principal Werner

- Professional Development
 - 9/28/17-
 - Student Centered Classroom
 - What would you see teachers doing?
 - What would you see students doing?
 - What would you hear going on?
- FFA Alumni Presentation
- FFA FArm Safety Day- Big Thanks to Mr. Eskildsen and students
- MAP Testing-
 - Took place October 3rd and 5th.

3. Superintendent's Report-Superintendent Straight

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G. COMMUNICATIONS

H. BUSINESS ITEMS

1. Approval of Employment of Personnel

Kristin Balvin-\$9.12 per hour 2 hour food service

2. Action/Discussion on LED Lighting Bids

We will review the bids for LED lighting at this time. It's important to move quickly on this if we want to make sure to get the Alliant rebates before they change.

3. Action/Discussion on Raise for Groundskeeper

I am recommending a 50 cent raise for the groundskeeper Les Jacobi retroactive to July. He has been completing many different duties for the school, and with Rod gone out of town one day it helps to have someone available with his ability. We also are receiving extra sharing money that can cover this as well. Les currently makes \$9.27 per hour.

4. Action/Discussion on Early Retirement Offerings

I have only had one person suggest he/she might be interested in early retirement. I think a good argument can be made for either side of this decision so I don't have a recommendation. I will leave it up to the board to decide if we offer it this year.

5. Action/Discussion on Early Graduation Requests

We have one early graduation request from Keonna Shoudy. I recommending approving this request on the condition that she has met graduation requirements at the time.

6. Discussion of IASB Conference and Workshop

This is your opportunity to let us know if you plan to attend the conference and if you need a hotel room etc.

7. Review Disaggregated Data by Class

Each year the board is required to view disaggregated data from classes. That data will be uploaded for viewing.

8. Action/Discussion on Hiring an Architect for Common Areas at High School

If we plan to make renovations to the library and lunch room at the high school then we need to hire an architect. It will cost \$5,000 for the initial work.

9. Discussion of Certified Enrollment for 17-18

I will present our enrollment information at this time.

10. Action/Discussion on Purchasing Weight Room Equipment

The athletic director and weight room sponsor have asked to purchase some weight room equipment. The booster club will help with some of the cost. They have considered doing a fundraiser for the equipment, but I would rather pay for it out of SAVE or PPEL. This program is utilized every day and most of the day. The equipment is old. I recommend purchasing some new weight room equipment. The initial cost is \$8,179. I recommend approving that amount.

11. Action/Discussion on Changing Date of November School Board Meeting

We need to move the date of our next meeting if it interferes with IASB convention and people are attending.

12. First Reading of Board Policy 606.1 Class Size -Class Grouping

I recommend approving the first reading of this board policy.

I. ADJOURNMENT