

Belle Plaine, Iowa
July 17, 2019

A meeting of the Belle Plaine Community School District Board of Education was held on Wednesday, July 17, 2019 at 6:45 p.m. in the board room at Longfellow Elementary, Belle Plaine.

Members Present: Marie Stratford, Mike Bachelder, Rima Johnson
Val Coffman, Brad Cook

Members Absent: None

Administration Present: Chad Straight, Todd Werner, Heather Coover

Board Secretary Present: Stacey Kolars

Visitors Present: Interested Patrons

Press Representative: None

The meeting was called to order by President Stratford at 6:45 p.m.

AGENDA

Motion Cook, second Coffman to approve the agenda with the addendum business item regarding Action/Discussion on Chromebook Purchase and Other Technology Purchases (Smart Boards for Library, etc.) to be added to the agenda as Business Item #8. President Stratford also added that she would be giving a report to the board to be added after the Superintendent's report on the agenda. All voted, "aye." Motion carried.

DELEGATIONS

There were no delegations.

CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS

The consent agenda items were considered. There was motion by Bachelder second by Coffman to approve the consent agenda items. All voted, "aye." Motion carried. The consent agenda items that were approved are listed below:

1. Approval of the minutes of the June 19, 2019 meeting.
2. Approval of bills, payroll, financial statements.
3. Personnel/Business Items:
 - a. Acceptance of the resignation of Sabrina Lovell from the two hour foodservice position, and the acceptance of the resignation of Les Jacobi from his grounds position only.

PRINCIPAL REPORTS-Secondary Principal, Todd Werner and Elementary Principal, Heather Coover gave their respective reports to the board on the following topics:

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

Superintendent Straight gave his report to the board

BOARD PRESIDENT'S REPORT

President Stratford gave a report to the board regarding information she wanted to share after attending a special meeting of the Belle Plaine City Council regarding in-district housing and potential growth of the school district.

COMMUNICATIONS

Condolences were sent to Reece Dodd and his family after the passing of his father.

BUSINESS ITEMS

1. Approval of the Employment of Personnel-No action was taken on this item.

2. Action/Discussion on Elementary Class Sizes-Superintendent Straight asked Principal Coover to update the board on the incoming class sizes at the Longfellow Elementary per grade. Superintendent Straight recommended not to change the current staffing levels for the 2019-2020 school year. There was motion by Johnson, second by Bachelder to approve Superintendent Straight's recommendation. All voted, "aye." Motion carried.
3. Appointment of Belle Plaine Board of Education Secretary and Treasurer for the 2019-2020-There was motion by Cook, second by Coffman to approve Superintendent Straight's recommendation to approve Stacey Kolars as the Belle Plaine Board of Education Secretary and Treasurer for the 2019-2020 year. All voted, "aye." Motion carried.
4. Provisions of Bonds for the Belle Plaine Board Secretary and Treasurer-Superintendent Straight recommended the board accept the employee blanket bond as sufficient bond for the board secretary and treasurer. There was motion by Bachelder, second by Johnson to approve Superintendent Straight's recommendation for the 2019-2020 year. All voted, "aye." Motion carried.
5. Action/Discussion Regarding Establishment of School Depositories and Maximum Deposit Amounts-Superintendent Straight recommended the board approve Midwestone Bank with a maximum deposit of \$5,500,000; Chelsea Bank with a maximum deposit of \$4,500,000; and ISJIT (Iowa Schools Joint Investment Trust) with a maximum deposit of \$250,000 for the 2019-2020 year. There was motion by Bachelder, second by Johnson to approve Superintendent Straight's recommendation. All voted, "aye." Motion carried.
6. Action/Discussion on Second Reading of Board Policy 505.5-Superintendent Straight recommended the board approve the second reading of Board Policy 505.5 regarding graduation requirements with the changes discussed and recommended by the State. After discussion regarding the handbook aligning directly with board policy, there was motion by Cook, second by Bachelder to approve the second reading of Board Policy 505.5 according to Superintendent Straight's recommendation. All voted, "aye." Motion carried.
7. Action/Discussion on Coaching Handbook-Superintendent Straight recommended the board approve an updated coaching handbook with changes made to language on Page 24 of the handbook regarding individual playing time and what should/should not be asked the coach. There was motion by Cook, second by Bachelder to approve Superintendent Straight's recommendation. All voted, "aye." Motion carried.
8. Action/Discussion on Chromebook Purchase and Other Technology Purchases (Smart Board for Library, etc.)-Superintendent Straight presented a quote to the board regarding the purchase of 95 Dell Chromebooks at the cost of \$23,085. There was motion by Bachelder, second by Cook to approve the purchase for the 2019-2020 year. All voted, "aye." Motion carried.
There was motion by Cook, second by Coffman to adjourn the meeting at 7:16 p.m. All voted, "aye." Motion carried.

Marie Stratford, Board President

Stacey Kolars, Board Secretary