

## Blissfield Community Schools

2020 21 Regular Meeting

August 16 , 2021

A Regular Meeting of the Board of Education of the Blissfield Community School District was held Monday, August 16, 2021 in the High School Media Center. Board Treasurer, Wyse called the meeting to order. Members present: Craig Bettis, Denise Mallory and Tyler Wyse. Members Absent: Mike Cole David Brewer, Bruce Carter and Vicki Lombard. Others present: Superintendent Riley; members of the public and press.

It was moved by Lombard and supported by Wyse to approve the Agenda.

Approval of Agenda

Motion Carried.

It was moved by Carter and supported Wyse to approve the minutes of the July 19, 2021 Organizational Meeting minutes.

Approval of the  
Organizational Meeting and  
Regular Meeting Minutes

Motion Carried.

It was moved by Carter and supported Wyse to approve the minutes of the July 19, 2021 Regular Meeting minutes.

Motion Carried.

The Board recognized Bruce Banks and Jane Puszczewicz as District Co-Employees of the Month.

Educational Highlights

It was moved by Wyse and supported by Carter to approve payment of the General Fund bills in the amount of \$1,064,909.63.

Payment of Invoices

Motion Carried.

It was moved by Carter and supported Bettis to approve a MS/HS choir trip to Mackinac Island May 6-7, 2022 if there is sufficient student interest.

Choir Trip

Motion Carried.

It was moved by Lombard and supported by Wyse to approve the MS/HS revised handbook dress code for 2021-2022 school year.

MS/HS Handbook  
Revisions

Motion Carried.

It was moved by Bettis and supported by Mallory to approve the revised BCS Acceptable Use Policy.

BCS Acceptable Use Policy

Motion Carried.

It was moved by Wyse and supported by Carter to approve the bread and milk bids submitted by Toft Dairy and Perfection Bakeries/Aunt Millies.

Bread and Milk Bids

Motion Carried.

It was moved by Lombard and supported by Wyse to approve the resignation of Stefanie Pickford from her high school counseling position.

Personnel

Motion Carried.

It was moved by Lombard and supported by Mallory to approve the hiring of Kerri Judkins for the position of high school counselor.

Motion Carried.

It was moved by Bettis and supported by Wyse to approve the hiring of Mackensie Russell for the position of 2<sup>nd</sup> grade teacher.

Motion Carried.

It was moved by Carter and supported by Bettis to approve the hiring of Madeline Nicholas for the position of 6<sup>th</sup> grade teacher.

Motion Carried.

It was moved by Wyse and supported by Lombard to approve the hiring of Tia McNamee for the position of GSRP teacher.

Motion Carried.

It was moved by Bettis and supported by Mallory to approve the hiring of Sheri Peterson for the position of technology director.

Motion Carried.

It was moved by Carter and supported by Bettis to approve the hiring of James Logan for the position of custodian.

Motion Carried.

It was moved by Lombard and supported by Bettis to approve the hiring of Madisyn Wicks for the position of MS/HS sideline/competitive cheer coach.

Motion Carried.

It was moved by Carter and supported by Bettis to approve the hiring of Jacey Terrill for the position of volunteer assistant coach for MS/HS sideline/competitive cheer coach.

Motion Carried.

#### No Committee Reports

Kelly Jo Gilmore thanked the administration for being open to discussion with parents and students in regards to the dress code. She stated that there was good dialog and felt that their voices were heard and together they were able to come up with ideas and changes to dress code. She feels this willingness to discuss has help promote a more positive outlook on the start of school.

Connie Sayler and her daughter Lisa Sayler spoke to the Board in regards with their concerns with not requiring masks for all students and staff this school year. They stated that some parents may have health issues that the vaccine will not work on preventing them getting covid and really stressed that they would like to see the Board change their position currently, and require masks until a vaccine becomes available for the younger students. They both feel very strongly that masks do work in helping eliminating the spread of this virus.

Superintendent Riley informed the Board that he is currently looking into the option of possibly having available a virtual option for Board meetings for individuals that may wish to participate without having to be in person at the meetings. The Board does not see a problem with this option and he will look further into it. TowerPinkster will be giving an update to the Steering Committee at the end of August, with a presentation to the Board in September. A meeting with the pupil accounting auditor is being held Wednesday to review the new MDE requirements for virtual classes, as the rules had been changed last year during the pandemic and are now going to be stricter on information needed for each student. Trying to get local data on the virus from the Health Department has been quite difficult. He will continue trying to get this data, as District level decisions will be based upon this data. Superintendent Riley stated he has not yet found a financial institution to handle our student loan fund. The maintenance crew doing a fantastic job. The BEA contract has been

#### Committee Reports

#### Public Comments

#### Superintendent's Report

finalized and new teacher orientation will take place on August 23<sup>rd</sup>. He also stated that he is looking to into having a Community Open House one evening before a home football game; the Communicator will be going out soon; and there is a change to the communication he sent out about the start of school year. That change is that all individuals must wear a face mask on district provided transportation.

Next, the Board finalized the Superintendent Goals for the 2021-2022 school year.

It was moved by Wyse and supported by Bettis to adjourn the meeting at 9:19p.m. Adjournment

Motion Carried.

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Secretary

# Blissfield Community Schools

2020 21 Special Meeting

Board Workshop

September 9, 2021

A Board Workshop of the Board of Education of the Blissfield Community School District was held Thursday, September 9, 2021 in the High School Media Center. Board President, Brewer called the meeting to order. Members present: Craig Bettis, Brewer, Cole, Lombard and Wyse. Members Absent: Carter and Mallory. Others present: Superintendent Riley.

It was moved by Bettis and supported by Wyse to approve the Agenda.

Approval of Agenda

Motion Carried.

There were no public comments.

Public Comments

TowerPinkster and CSM discussed the facilities assessment information.

TowerPinkster/CSM Update

It was moved by Wyse and supported by Lombard to adjourn the meeting at 8:05p.m.

Adjournment

Motion Carried.

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Secretary