

REGULAR MEETING

April 12, 2017

7:00 PM

The regular meeting of the Baker School Board was called to order by Chairperson Christy Follmer at 7pm in the Boardroom of Baker High School. Trustees Johnna Koenig, Mike Gunderson, Scott Rabbitt & Gye Varner were in attendance. Also present were Principals Bo Lingle and David Breitbart, Vice-Principal Jacob Gion, District Clerk Jennifer Mettler, Technology Director Scott Anderson, and Head Custodian Mardi Brown; Superintendent Jon Wrzesinski was absent. Guests were Linda Rost, Megan Greiff, Isaac Rost, Emmalee Thurlow, Bo Rost, Jay Shumaker, Tim Robinson, Tanon Dukart, Trevor Lingle, Patti Chester, Lindsay Chaska, Ashley Schwartz, Julaine Wedemeyer, Dena Kirschten, Pam Beach, Carol Hadley, Kari Schell & Alissa Schell.

Consent Items:

The bills, investment report, activity account report, journal adjustments, and minutes were reviewed by the trustees. There being no objections, Chairperson Follmer approves the consent items as presented.

PUBLIC COMMENT

None

OLD BUSINESS

None

NEW BUSINESS

SCIENCE FAIR PRESENTATIONS

Megan Greiff, Emmalee Thurlow, Isaac Rost and Bo Rost presented to the board their science fair projects; Isaac Rost placed first and will be attending the National Science Fair in May. Board commends the students on excellent projects and students and Mrs. Rost leave the meeting.

BPA NATIONAL REQUEST

Trevor Lingle, Isaac Rost, Tannon Dukart, and Alissa Schell present to the board a request for financial support for their National BPA trip in May; each student qualified in their events to go to Nationals in Florida. Discussion followed.

Johnna Koenig moved to give each BPA student attending National Competition \$800 to help cover expenses of the trip. Gye Varner seconded the motion; motion carried unanimously.

Students leave the meeting and Mrs. Koenig adds she would like some guidelines for those students coming and asking for financial support for trips to possibly tie back the request to concessions somehow; the concession stands have a hard time finding help and this might alleviate some of that burden. Board and administration agree and Mr. Breitbart will pass that along to Mrs. Curry and Mrs. Bettenhausen as they are the concession managers.

ELECTION

A. TRUSTEE

Mrs. Mettler presents to the board there are five people that have filed for two positions, therefore the election is scheduled for May 2, 2017 and the Longfellow Gym lobby; polls are open from noon – 8pm. Those that have filed are incumbents Johnna Koenig, Scott Rabbitt and Quentin Burdick, Pete Rising and Anna Straub.

B. BUDGET AUTHORITY

Mrs. Mettler also reports there will not be a levy election this year for the General Fund as there is enough revenue to fill the fund, therefore, she has cancelled the election.

TEACHER EVALUATIONS AND HIRES

Mr. Breitbart and Mr. Lingle present to the board a list of teaching staff at both elementary and high school; those staff members up for tenure are Linda Rost, Nicki Reissig, and Jessica Boggs and all are recommended to be offered tenure.

ELEMENTARY

Christina Schmid
Amanda Tunby
Jill Shelhamer
Jessica Boggs
Maranda Hastig
Val Johnson
Patti Morris

Jennifer Dukart
Denise Wang
JoDee Hess
Nicki Reissig
Julaine Wedemeyer
Shawna Schillinger
Lindsay Chaska

Libby Solberg
Michele Wrzesinski
Kalli Madler
John Nowak
Kim Lesh
Patti Chester
Tom Kendall

Michelle Anderson
Carole Bettenhausen
Carol Hadley
Dena Kirschten
JoAnn Parini
Linda Rost
Diane Van Gorden
Jill Whiteman

HIGH SCHOOL

Scott Anderson
Tom Breitbach
Brittany Hoversland
Jade Melby
Cindy Quade
Jay Shumaker
Deryk VanZee

Pam Beach
Terry Curry
Jay Hoversland
Jill Myhre
Tim Robinson
Tieler Soumas
Karen Wang

Gye Varner moved to offer contracts to all certified staff as listed in grades K-12 for the 2017-18 school year and offer tenure to Linda Rost, Nicki Reissig, and Jessica Boggs. Mike Gunderson seconded the motion; motion carried unanimously.

SUMMER HIRES – CUSTODIAL

Mrs. Brown presents to the board a list of summer hires she is requesting this year. Sheila Scheetz, Ashley Stevens, and Pam Tronstad will be hired as custodial help only working 4 days/week. Tim Robinson will return as outside maintenance and then still need to hire him a helper.

Johnna moved to hire the seasonal workers as presented for the summer of 2017. Gye Varner seconded the motion; motion carried unanimously.

SWIM LESSON COSTS – SUMMER 2017

At last meeting, Ms. Fisher requested to increase the cost of swim lessons for summer 2017 to \$40/child; Mrs. Mettler presents on behalf of Ms. Fisher for the increase to lessons.

Johnna Koenig moved to increase the swim lesson fess to \$40/child, starting summer 2017. Scott Rabbitt seconded the motion; motion carried unanimously.

REQUEST ARCHITECTURAL PROPOSALS – COMPLEX REMODEL

During last meeting a discussion was had about the potential remodel of the complex area of the weight room and racquetball courts. Mr. Rabbitt presented to the board a proposal to request bids from architects to draw up remodel specifications. Discussion followed as to a path forward; the board agrees they would like to have architects come and estimate and draw the project so the District knows how much the remodel will be, but would like to involve the public and maybe should get input before move forward with the design. Discussion followed; no board action at this time.

KEYLESS ENTRY POLICY

Mrs. Mettler stated in order to move forward with the Keyless Entry at the complex and District-wide, it was discussed of developing a policy for use and wondered if board members would like to help with the policy. Chairperson Follmer and Johnna Koenig volunteer to help the administration with the policy and hope to get a first reading by next month.

COMPLEX MANAGER REPORT

Absent, but Mrs. Mettler presented a report to the board.

Julaine Wedemeyer and Jenn Fisher will be going to Bismarck, ND to attend the Lifeguard Instructor Review class on May 7th. She would like the board to consider purchasing some free weights. They are in need of commercial grade dumb bells and plates. She is in the process of building a US Masters Swim program for adults; she will sign up as a club but will get more information as she gets started. Flyers will be given out during the health fair, April 26th concerning the dates and cost of swim lessons along with an ad in the paper. Lifeguard and WSI classes will be May 30th – June 4th.

Mr. Breitbach added to the board that the request made by Ms. Fisher is inappropriate and should not be brought to the board for approval but to the Athletic Director/Building Principal (himself) to order weights as that room is part of the curriculum of the District and not the recreation center – those requests should be made by the teachers themselves and not from her.

MAINTENANCE REPORT

Welding class is currently working on the cages for the A/C units at Longfellow with an estimated cost of \$3,500; the football scoreboard cover came in and she will contact Derek Lyson to help with the guides to get it installed over the summer. The only major project for the summer is the flooring in the high school hallway and the asbestos abatement is scheduled for June 11th and the install will begin after that.

TECHNOLOGY DIRECTOR

Started ordering equipment for next year and Lincoln is getting 40 iPads and that way will have carts for all grade levels and Longfellow will have Chromebooks for all grades levels and will be 1-to-1. The high school also has about 125 Chromebooks sharing amongst subjects and being utilized in the middle school real well.

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

ELEMENTARY PRINCIPAL, BO LINGLE

No school on Friday or Monday for Easter and Mrs. Tunby's class is still going to Superior Care Villa and reading to residents on Tuesdays. Kindergarten roundup will be on April 19th and MAPs testing is done and piloted the 2nd grade last week in April. Lots of fun days for end of the year in May coming up: Kindergarten will go the lake park for picnic, 2nd grade to the museum, 3rd will go swimming and picnic, 4th grade to Eklaka to Camp Needmore, 5th grade will go to Dickinson and 6th grade will go to Devils Tower yet again.

HIGH SCHOOL PRINCIPAL/AD, DAVID BREITBACH

He added to the science presentations that student received a grant to go to the National Science competition.

VICE PRINCIPAL, JACOB GION

He reports on the various activities going on for Spring and Autism Awareness walk was today and it was very well attended by staff and students and he wanted to extend a big congratulations to Connie Alberts for organizing the event.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

SUPERINTENDENT, JON WRZESINSKI

Absent

There being no other business, meeting adjourned at 8:45 pm.

Clerk

Chairman