

## REGULAR BOARD MEETING MINUTES

Administration Building  
April 20, 2020  
6:00 P.M.

The regular meeting of the Board of School Trustees of the Bluffton-Harrison Metropolitan School District was held on Monday, April 20, 2020, with all members present. Also in attendance was Dr. Brad Yates, Superintendent; Amy Dunwiddie, Corporation Secretary; and Juanita McLellan, News Banner representative. Those attending virtually were Julie Meitzler, Asst. Superintendent; Steve Baker, Rick Mettler and Schlaura Linderwell, Administrators; and the public was notified that the meeting would be live streamed.

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

President Murray opened the meeting by welcoming everyone to the first live stream of the BHMSD Board of Trustees meeting and thanked the Technology Department for their effort to broadcast the meeting. The high school athletic department was also commended for recognizing the spring athletes via social media and the Food Service Department was commended for providing all the meals during this time of shutdown. President Murray and the Board expressed appreciation to all the teaching staff for keeping students engaged and on track.

One comment from the public was submitted prior to the meeting in regard to the availability of the summer childcare program. Dr. Yates responded that this is undetermined as this time.

Minutes for the Regular Board Meeting held on March 16th, 2020, were approved by consensus and appropriate signatures affixed thereon.

Minutes for the Special Board Meeting held on March 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2020, were approved by consensus and appropriate signatures affixed thereon.

Vouchers for the period of March 17, 2020, through April 20, 2020, were approved by consensus and appropriate signatures affixed on the voucher register.

The Fund Report for March was approved by consensus.

The Bank Statement for March was approved by consensus.

The Fund Transfer Report was approved by consensus.

Dr. Yates reported that the Indiana School Boards Association has announced the 2019 Exemplary Governance Award Winners. Mike Murray was recognized with the Advanced designation and Julie Thompson was recognized with the Commended designation for their extensive dedication to their professional development by attending ISBA and other sanctioned events throughout the year.

Mr. Baker, Mr. Mettler, and Mrs. Linderwell joined the meeting via Google Meet to present eLearning information being conducted in each of their buildings.

Mrs. Meitzler joined the meeting via Google Meet and provided an update on transportation, technology, grants and curriculum.

Dr. Yates provided a Superintendent's report to the Board. The report highlighted district projects, an update to the spring ADM estimate, an update to Kindergarten registration, and further developments in the Superintendent Entry Plan (Phase 3) focusing on enrollment, programming, personnel, equipment, and facilities.

Dr. Yates presented information in regard to COVID-19 updates.

The Board approved retirement requests from Mrs. Joyce Evans, Kindergarten teacher, and Mrs. Carol Herring, HS Special Education Instructional Assistant, as presented and with appreciation for their service to the District. The motion by Bruce Holland and second by Heath Schlagenhauf passed unanimously.

The Board approved the following resignation as presented. The motion by Brent Hiday and second by Julie Thompson passed unanimously.

Nicole Burns

MS Intense Interventions Teacher

The Board approved a Resolution to Address the Reduction of Cash Flow (Exec. Order 20-05) (Correlated File #1920-32) as presented on a motion by Julie Thompson and second by Bruce Holland. The motion passed unanimously.

The Board approved a Resolution to Donate Supplies and Materials (Correlated File #1920-33) as presented on a motion by Brent Hiday and second by Heath Schlagenhauf. The motion passed unanimously.

The Board approved an Adjusted 2019-2020 School Calendar due to the COVID-19 Pandemic (Exec. Order 20-16) (Correlated File #1920-34) as presented. The motion by Bruce Holland and second by Brent Hiday passed unanimously.

The Board approved *Pearson's myPerspectives* as the English/Language Arts textbook adoption for grades 7-12 as presented. The motion by Julie Thompson and second by Bruce Holland passed unanimously.

With there being no additional business to come before the board, the meeting was adjourned at 6:42 P.M. on a motion by Heath Schlagenhauf and second by Brent Hiday. The motion passed unanimously.

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