



# North Adams Community Schools

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## **Regular School Board Meeting**

6:00 p.m. – September 14, 2021

### **MINUTES**

**PRESENT:** Board members Stacey Bussel, Michelle Stimpson, Dave Hill, Tim Ehlerding, Carla Bultemeier, Jill Colclasure, and Eric Allmon were present along with Superintendent Kim Hiatt and Attorney Scott Ainsworth and attached list of attendees.

**ABSENT:**

### **AGENDA**

**A. Call to Order** - *The meeting was called to order by Stacey Bussel at 6:00 p.m.*

1. Pledge of Allegiance

### **B. Public Comment on Agenda Items**

*Motion by Michelle Stimpson, seconded by Dave Hill to approve the following consensus items as presented. Motion passed 7-0.*

### **C. Consensus Items**

#### **1. Minutes of**

- a. August 10, 2021/Executive Board Meeting
- b. August 10, 2021 Regular School Board Meeting

#### **2. Financial Report**

#### **3. Personnel**

##### **a. Assignments**

1. Kristi Ohler to be assigned the position of Belmont Elementary School Special Education Paraprofessional effective August 12, 2021. *(Resigned 8/18/21)*
2. Rachael Girard to be assigned the position of Belmont Elementary School Special Education Paraprofessional effective August 25, 2021.
3. Gabrielle Weaver to be assigned the position of Behavioral Therapist effective September 15, 2021.
4. Jennifer Douglas to be assigned the ECA position of Belmont High School Technology Coordinator effective September 2, 2021.

##### **b. Resignations**

1. Alex Leavell to resign the position of Assistant Softball Coach at Belmont High School effective August 10, 2021.
2. Kristi Ohler to resign the position of Special Education Paraprofessional at Belmont Elementary School effective August 18, 2021.
3. Beatrice Brewer to resign the position of Bus Monitor at North Adams Community Schools effective August 25, 2021.
4. Kelsey Dotson submitted her resignation September 9, 2021 for the position of Special Education Teacher at Belmont Elementary School.

**c. Leaves**

1. Kristina Quinn requesting medical leave beginning approximately October 10, 2021 as per Master Contract, Article VI, page 20. She will also use Child Rearing Leave, as per Master Contract, Article VI, page 20-21 (G-1). *(Added 9/13/21)*

**d. Retirements**

**e. Change of Position(s)**

1. Adam Miller to move from Level 1 Computer Tech to North Adams Community Schools Assistant Corporation Computer Tech effective August 9, 2021.
2. Elizabeth Lengerich to move from the position of Belmont Elementary Library Paraprofessional to Belmont Middle School Library Media Assistant effective August 6, 2021.
3. Samantha Hakes to move from the position of Belmont Middle School Special Education Paraprofessional to Belmont Elementary School Special Education Paraprofessional effective August 9, 2021.

**f. LEA Business**

**g. Overnight and/or Out-of-State Field Trips**

1. Belmont High School/University of Cincinnati/Bellmont Early College Standard/October 26, 2021
2. Belmont High School/Farm Science Review/London, Ohio/September 22, 2021  
*(Added 9/13/21)*

**D. Program Update**

1. Michelle Houser - Books, they're just a part of what we do
  - Mrs. Houser outlined multiple library resources available to students in addition to an ever-changing collection of audio books, E-books, and traditional books.
  - Mrs. Houser stated her goals of educating students on safe, effective internet usage, good digital citizenship, finding credible sources, properly citing references, and developing lifelong readers and learners.

**E. Old Business**

*Motion by Tim Ehlerding, seconded by Eric Allmon to approve the 2021-22 Classified Handbook as presented. Motion passed 7-0.*

1. 2021-22 Classified Handbook - 2<sup>nd</sup> Read

**F. New Business**

1. Public Hearing of the 2022 Budget -Hiatt/Quinn
  - At 6:28 p.m. Bussel opened the public hearing of the 2022 budget. No public questions or comments were made. Public hearing closed at 6:29 p.m.

*Motion by Tim Ehlerding, seconded by Jill Colclasure to approve Resolution to Reduce Appropriations for Budget Year 2021 as presented. Motion passed 7-0.*

2. Approval of Resolution to Reduce Appropriations for Budget Year 2021 *(Resolution 21\_22-3)*

*Motion by Jill Colclasure, seconded by Dave Hill to adopt the updated Strategic Plan as presented. Motion passed 7-0.*

3. Approval of Strategic Plan

*Motion by Eric Allmon, seconded by Carla Bultemeier to approve the 2021-22 Commencement Date of Friday, May 27, 2022, and Commencement Time of 8:00 p.m.*

4. Approval of 2021-22 Commencement Date/Time  
-Friday, May 27, 2022 at 8:00 p.m.

*Motion by Carla Bultemeier, seconded by Michelle Stimpson to approve Donations for PBIS initiative as presented. Motion passed 7-0.*

5. Donations for PBIS initiative
  - The Next Page, Emily Souvine/\$10 Gift Cards (50)
  - Hi-Way Service, Scott Ellsworth/\$200.00
  - Decatur Dental Service, Jane Selking/\$300.00
6. Superintendent's Report
  - Mrs. Hiatt reported on the impact of shutdowns and learning loss. She explained how Governor Holcomb's executive order changed schools mandatory quarantine and contact tracing guidelines and how requiring masks in school at North Adams has helped lower the number of students required to quarantine.
  - Mrs. Hiatt stated that key staff and extra staff are being strategically placed where the need from student learning loss is greatest.
7. Other matters to come before the Board
  - Tim Ehlerding reported on the ISBA Legislative Committee priorities for this session including moving school accountability ratings from a single grade to a comprehensive dashboard rating, preserving Indiana school board members' nonpartisan election status, and focusing on recruiting and retaining quality teachers across the state.

**G. Board Members and/or Public Comment**

-Kelli Simon and Damian Everett stated health concerns for their students due to masking requirement.

**H. Adjournment: 7:18 p.m.**

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