

NORTH ADAMS COMMUNITY SCHOOLS

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Regular School Board Meeting

6:00 p.m. – May 09, 2023

MINUTES

PRESENT: Board members: Stacey Bussel, Eric Allmon, Dave Hill, Tim Ehlerding, Michelle Stimpson, Carla Bultemeier, and Jill Colclasure 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 5:59 p.m.*

1. Pledge of Allegiance
2. North Star Awards presented
 - a. Vanessa Hebble/VFW Voice of Democracy Essay/State Finalist

B. Public Comment on Agenda Items

Motion by Eric Allmon, seconded by Tim Ehlerding, to approve the following consensus items as presented. Motion approved 7-0.

C. Consensus Items

1. Minutes of

- a. April 11, 2023/Regular Board Meeting
- b. May 5, 2023/Executive Board Meeting

2. Financial Report

3. Personnel

a. Assignments

1. Lisa Hebble to be assigned the position of North Adams Community Schools Cook I effective April 24, 2023.
2. Amber Hensley to be assigned the position of North Adams Community Schools Cook I effective April 24, 2023.
3. Lisa Howard to be assigned the position of Belmont High School Special Education Paraprofessional effective April 26, 2023.
4. Ashley Baker to be assigned the position of Belmont Elementary School Speech Language Pathologist Assistant effective August 8, 2023.

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5. Kurt Holland to be assigned the position of Belmont Middle School Special Education Teacher effective August 8, 2023.
6. Abigail Swartzentruber to be assigned the position of Belmont High School English Language Arts Teacher effective August 8, 2023.
7. Tempie Johnson to be assigned the position of Bus Paraprofessional effective August 8, 2023.

b. Resignations

1. Amanda Gilbert to resign the position of Principal at Belmont Middle School effective June 1, 2023.
2. Janelle Plasterer to resign the position of 7th Grade Social Studies Teacher at Belmont Middle School effective May 26, 2023.
3. Nina Mowery to resign the position of Athletic Secretary at Belmont High School effective April 28, 2023.
4. Hayllie Pope to resign the position of Preschool Teacher and Special Education Paraprofessional at Belmont Elementary School effective May 24, 2023
5. Daniel Meyer to resign the position of Assistant Football Coach at Belmont High School effective April 21, 2023.
6. Annalea Francis to resign the position of 7th Grade Head Volleyball Coach at Belmont Middle School effective April 28, 2023.

c. Leaves

1. Renae Dixon requesting medical leave beginning approximately May 5, 2023 as per Classified Employee Handbook, page 7 (V-I).
2. Dana Busse requesting medical leave beginning approximately August 8, 2023, as per Master Contract, Article VI, page 23.

d. Retirements

e. Change of Position(s)

1. Payton Selking to move from Belmont High School Boys Assistant Basketball Coach to Belmont High School Boys Head Basketball coach effective May 10, 2023.
2. Carly Raymond to move from Belmont Middle School 6th Grade Volleyball Head Coach to Belmont Middle School 7th Grade Volleyball Head Coach effective August 08, 2023.

f. LEA Business

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1. Lauren Altheide to resign the position of School Psychologist at North Adams/Adams Wells effective May 24, 2023.

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

1. Belmont High School BG's/King's Island/Mason, OH/May 20, 2023
2. Belmont High School/ FFA Officer Leadership Retreat/Turner Pond House-Belle Kenton, OH/May 30 - June 1, 2023.
3. Belmont High School/State Poultry Evaluation Contest/Clinton County Fairgrounds – Frankfort, IN/May 12-13, 2023.
4. Belmont High School/State FFA Convention/Purdue University – West Lafayette, IN/June 20-22, 2023

D. Program Update

1. Linda Wellman/Bellmont Elementary School K-5 Curriculum and Program update
-Mrs. Wellman stated that the current BES reading curriculum (F&P and O.G.) are a highly effective curricular combination, commenting that this year is being used to refine teaching skills in these programs which has resulted in student growth in reading and writing.
-BES Title teachers are now being utilized for all reading levels, while still providing one on one enrichment to those with the greatest needs.
2. Kati Todd/Bellmont High School update
-Ms. Todd told the Board that her primary focus for her first year at Belmont was to build relationships with Staff, Students, Parents, and the Community and that it has by far been the best year of her career.
-Ms. Todd stated that she maintains high expectations for herself, her staff and BHS students emphasizing that expectations should be consistent and enforced by all stakeholders.

E. Old Business

F. New Business

Motion by Carla Bultemeier, seconded by Jill Colclasure to approve Summer School Staff as presented. Motion approved 7-0.

1. Approval of Summer School Staff
 - a. BHS: Michelle Blackburn, Jennifer Douglas, Jennifer Baczynski, Jeffrey Blackburn, Jaime Macklin

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- b. BES (*Teacher Count Dependent on Student Enrollment*): Dani Ulman, Mary Beth Busick, Diana Arnold, Amanda Goodnight, Jacki Morris, Ann Burkhalter, April Busse, Emily Friedt, Lillian Castleman (Ellsworth), Brandi Affolder, Erica Grote, Chelsea Poindexter, Christy Blythe

-Mrs. Hiatt noted that summer school is grant funded and requires a minimum number of student enrollment.

Motion by Michelle Stimpson, seconded by Carla Bultemeier to allow North Adams Foodservice to participate in Summer Feeding Program as presented. Motion approved 7-0.

2. Permission for the North Adams Foodservice to participate in the Summer Feeding Program

Motion by Jill Colclasure, seconded by Tim Ehlerding to approve Belmont Middle School Course Additions/Changes as presented. Motion approved 7-0.

3. Approval of BMS Course Additions/Changes

Motion by Eric Allmon, seconded by Dave Hill to approve Three-Hour School Delays as presented. Motion approved 7-0.

4. Approval of Three-Hour School Delay

-Mrs. Hiatt conducted a poll of Parents and Staff members for input on adding the 3-hour delay as an option for inclement weather. Poll results were overwhelmingly in favor of approval.

5. Classified Handbook – 1st Read

Motion by Jill Colclasure, seconded by Carla Bultemeier to approve Public Position Bonds for the District as presented. Motion approved 7-0.

6. Approval of Public Official and Position Bonds for the District.

7. Superintendent's Report

-Mrs. Hiatt discussed the recent Board Work Session and Board Visitation Day giving Board Members a chance to share what they observed. Jill Colclasure commented that the day was very well planned and that she was highly impressed with the CTE classrooms.

-Mrs. Hiatt reviewed many of the recent school events including Prom, Donuts with Grownups, Belmont Scholarship night, and Seussical the Musical.

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-Commencement is scheduled for Friday, May 26th at 7:00 p.m.

8. Other Matters to come before the Board

G. Board Members and/or Public Comment

-Tim Ehlerding gave an update on the end of session legislative actions that will affect public education finances stating that public schools will see an increase in funding over the next 2 years, with the biggest increase coming the first year.

-Mrs. Hiatt added that state legislators have added state funding of approximately \$160 per student for curricular fees for the 2023-2024 school year.

H. Adjournment: 7:05 p.m.