

NORTH ADAMS COMMUNITY SCHOOLS

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Regular School Board Meeting

6:00 p.m. – March 12, 2024

MINUTES

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

ABSENT: Michelle Stimpson

AGENDA

A. Call to Order - *The meeting was called to order by Stacey Bussel at 6:01 p.m.*

1. Pledge of Allegiance
2. North Star Awards to be presented to
 - a. Belmont High School Co-ed Bowling Team-Team State Finalists - 10th Place
Bowlers: Bryce Witte, Matthew Smitley, Jayden Rosman, Chris McDonald Jr., Taylor Bauer, Madeline Vitatoe
Coaches: Jeff Hudson, David Vitatoe
 - b. Jayden Rosman/Boys Bowling State Finalist -7th Place
 - c. Chris McDonald/Boys Bowling State Finalist -14th Place
 - d. Taylor Bauer/Girls Bowling State Finalist - 13th Place
 - e. Belmont High School Wrestling Team-2A Team State Runner-Up
Wrestlers: Devin Gephart, Keven Loshe, Blake Luginbill, Keagan Martin, Cole Mendez, Duke Myers, Ethan Curtis, Gavin Davis, Ryne Fawbush, Will Franze, Joseph Hakes, Isaiah Herman, Grady Baker, Benjamin Binegar, Douglas Hamilton, Luke Heyerly, Connor Miller, Xavior Palacios, Landon Rich, Sam Wolpert, Blake Christner, Henry Faurote, Ben Mills, Jayden Springer, Jayden Zamora
Managers: Meryl Kukelhan, Anna Ruble, Kaelyn Snyder, Finnley Godsey
Coaches: Tim Myers, Sean Faurote, Nick Koons, Carter Friedt, Jeff Myers, Joe Ruble, Jon Ruble, Travis Yoquelet
 - f. Henry Faurote and Gavin Davis/ IHSAA State Wrestling Finalist
 - g. Keagan Martin/ IHSAA State Wrestling Finalist – 5th Place
 - h. Duke Myers/ IHSAA State Wrestling Runner Up
3. Be Braves Award to be presented to Sean Faurote/IHSWCA Assistant Coach of the Year
4. Presentation by Jace Scheumann, Patrick Teeple, and Chase Post regarding Super Bowl Monday
Jace, Patrick, and Chase addressed the Board including a Power Point Presentation to appeal for the Monday following the Super Bowl to be an unscheduled day. There recommendation was to

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schedule another day at the end of the year or to use President's Day as a scheduled day. The Board and Mrs. Hiatt thanked the students and stated they will take it into consideration.

B. Public Comment on Agenda Items

Motion by Tim Ehlerding, seconded by Eric Allmon, to approve the following consensus items as presented. Motion approved 6-0.

C. Consensus Items

1. Minutes of

- a. February 13, 2024/Regular Board Meeting

2. Financial Report

3. Personnel

a. Assignments

1. Erika Bickford to be assigned the position of Preschool/Daycare Paraprofessional at Belmont Elementary School effective March 14, 2024.
2. Michael Gibson to be assigned the position of Assistant Rifle Coach at Belmont High School effective November 27, 2023.
3. Amy Roe Breauchy to be assigned the position of 2nd Shift Custodian at Belmont Middle School effective March 25, 2024. *(Added 3/11/2024)*
4. Spring Coaches

Bellmont Middle School

Girls Soccer Head Coach	Derek Trobeck
Girls Soccer Volunteer	Emily Friedt
Boys Soccer Head Coach	Jeremy Miller
Boys Soccer Volunteer	Dylan Krueger
Track & Field Co-Head	Randy Hisner
Track & Field Co-Head	Justin Ayres
Track & Field Assistant	Faith Morris
Track & Field Assistant	Karson Everett

Bellmont High School

Baseball:

Head Coach	Tom Montgomery
Assistant Coach	Mark Okoniewski
Assistant Coach	Kurt Combs
Assistant Coach	Jordan Hilyard
Volunteer Assistant	Aaron Baker
Volunteer Assistant	Benjamin Keating
Volunteer Assistant	Jeremy Razo

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Golf (Boys):

Head Coach
Volunteer Assistant
Volunteer Assistant

Ty Razo
Mike Macke
Alex Ainsworth

Softball:

Head Coach
Assistant Coach
Assistant Coach
Volunteer Assistant
Volunteer Assistant

Mindy Buuck
Breanna Vaughn
Alicia Hess
Jenny Godsey
Adam Buuck

Tennis (Girls):

Head Coach
Volunteer Assistant

Kyle Arnold
Joe Selking

Track (Boys):

Head Coach
Assistant Coach
Volunteer Assistant
Volunteer Assistant

Dave Hakes
Chase Kukelhan
Tony Ordway
Nick Garcia

Track (Girls):

Head Coach
Assistant Coach
Volunteer Assistant

Carl Risch
Britney Miller
Josh Heckert

b. Resignations

1. Alexander Leavell to resign the position of Radio/Television Teacher at Belmont High School effective May 23, 2024.
2. Timothy Tricker to resign the position of Grounds/Custodial at North Adams Community Schools effective March 14, 2024.
3. Elizabeth Lengerich to resign the position of Assistant Volleyball Coach at Belmont High School effective February 1, 2024.
4. Ronald Gage to resign the position of Bus Driver at North Adams Community Schools effective May 10, 2024.
5. Breanna Price to resign the position of Preschool Paraprofessional at Belmont Elementary School effective March 1, 2024.

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c. Leaves

1. Gabrielle Filler requesting medical leave beginning approximately May 21, 2024, as per Master Contract, Article VI, page 22 (F).
2. Dane Fuelling requesting unpaid leave April 10-11, 2024.

d. Retirements

1. Michael Macke to retire from the position of Mathematics Teacher at Bellmont High School effective June 1, 2024. (36 years NACS, 40 years teaching total)
2. Donneen Dyess to retire from the position of Chemistry/Physics Teacher at Bellmont High School effective June 1, 2024. (5 years/NACS, 35 years teaching total)
3. Darla Beer to retire from the position of Library Paraprofessional at Bellmont Elementary School effective May 24, 2024. (25 years)

e. Change of Position(s)

f. Terminations

1. Dean Gallmeyer terminated from the position of 2nd Shift Custodian at Bellmont High School effective February 15, 2024.
2. Brian Gallmeyer terminated from the position of 2nd Shift Custodian at Bellmont High School effective March 8, 2024 (*Added 3/11/2024*)

g. LEA Business

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

D. Program Update – Steve Macklin/District Technology Update

- Mr. Macklin updated the Board regarding system back-ups. He stated that back-ups locally are occurring more frequently in addition to cloud back-ups.
- Mr. Macklin stated that backbone work on all systems will occur in summer.

E. Old Business

Motion by Eric Allmon, seconded by Carla Bultemeier, to approve Policy 7250 updates as presented. Motion approved 6-0.

1. Second Reading of Policy 7250

Motion by Jill Colclasure, seconded by Tim Ehlerding, to approve updated LifeWise Academy MOU as presented. Motion approved 6-0.

2. Approval of updated LifeWise Academy MOU

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F. **New Business**

Motion by Carla Bultemeier, seconded by Jill Colclasure, to accept donation as presented. Motion approved 6-0.

1. Approval of Donation

a. BHS Baseball/Loyal Order of Moose Adams Lodge/\$250

2. Superintendent's Report

-Mrs. Hiatt reported that the track project is underway with infrastructure issues being addressed. Additionally, footers for the Multi-Purpose Room are installed and the cement pad will be poured soon.

-Mrs. Hiatt shared upcoming plans to host the Board for a board workday for members to visit classrooms, see facility updates, review the facilities study report and future bonding potential from district advisors.

-Mrs. Hiatt reminded the public that April 8, 2024, will be a school closure day due to the total solar eclipse. She stated that custodial staff will be working an alternative schedule to have the campus ready for school on April 9th.

3. Other Matters to come before the Board

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

-Tim Ehlerding reported that the legislative session has ended with the biggest legislative change being the update to the IREAD testing. Mrs. Tiffany Heine explained that the new legislation gives districts the opportunity to include 2nd grade students the IRead test. Students who do not pass the IREAD test in 3rd grade would be offered summer school and given the opportunity to retest in summer. Mandatory retention is part of the legislation. Mrs. Heine stated that special education students and ELL students will be given a good cause exemption which allows them the opportunity to retake the IREAD test annually through grade 7.

-Tim Ehlerding and Carla Bultemeier announced that they will not be running for school board re-election. Both encouraged other community members to get involved and consider running for these positions.

H. **Adjournment:** 7:13 p.m.