

RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

Minutes of

Meeting

Berne Union Local School District

BEAR GRAPHICS 800-325-8094 FORM NO. 10148

Board of Education

Held

Regular Meeting

20

Tuesday, February 13, 2024

High School Media Center

6:00 p.m.

President Garber called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. with all members present.

The meeting was opened by prayer and the Pledge of Allegiance

24-019: Approval of Agenda

Moved by Mr. Miller and seconded by Mrs. Oxley to approve the agenda as presented by the Superintendent and Treasurer. Vote results were Mr. Garber-aye. Mr. Hintz-aye, Mr. Miller-aye, Mrs. Oxley-aye, Mr. Wharton-aye. Motion carried.

24-020: Approval of Minutes

Moved by Mr. Hintz and seconded by Mr. Miller to approve the minutes from the Reorganizational Meeting and the January 11, 2024 Regular Board Meeting. Vote results were Mr. Garber-aye. Mr. Hintz-aye, Mr. Miller-aye, Mrs. Oxley-aye, Mr. Wharton-aye. Motion carried.

24-021: Treasurer's Report

Moved by Mr. Miller and seconded by Mrs. Oxley to approve the motions contained in the Treasurer's Report as presented.

- a. Approval of the Financial Report
- b. Approval of bills for payment
- c. Accept the resignation of Lorie Voris, Treasurer Secretary/Accounts Payable effective March 31, 2024.

Vote results were Mr. Garber-aye. Mr. Hintz-aye, Mr. Miller-aye, Mrs. Oxley-aye, Mr. Wharton-aye. Motion carried.

Mr. Jon Parker, Superintendent, discussed the following topics:

1. Update on new building project
2. Upcoming auction for items no longer needed from old building
3. Recommended policy updates
4. School Calendars for the 2024-25 and the 2025-26 school years
5. Solar Eclipse on April 8, 2024
6. Agenda items
7. Sound system in high school gymnasium

Mrs. Melissa Drury, Elementary Principal, discussed the following topics:

1. Father/Daughter Dance on 2-10-24
2. Third grade reading guarantee-all students have passed except 2
3. PTO upcoming election of officers
4. student pick-up and drop-off lines

Mr. Craig Heath, High School Principal, discussed the following topics:

1. Presented video that is posted on website for employee recruitment
2. Exploring options to increase credit requirements for graduation

Mr. Jim Snoke, Maintenance/Transportation Supervisor and Angie Barnes, Secretary, discussed the following topics:

1. Continue to have building meetings with Summit to ensure all punch out items are completed
2. Substitute bus driver recruitment
3. Update on here come the bus app

Mr. James Saunders, BUEA President informed the board that the is very pleased with the new building and the excellent condition of the classrooms.

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24-022: The following resolution was introduced:

**RESOLUTION TO
UPDATE REFERENCES TO THE "OHIO DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION"
TO THE "DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION AND WORKFORCE"
IN BOARD POLICY MANUAL**

The Board of Education of the Berne Union Local School District, Fairfield County, Ohio, met in regular open session on the 13th day of February 13, 2024, at the High School Media Center, with the following members present: Mr. John Garber, Mr. Todd Hintz, Mr. Dean Miller, Mrs. Amy Oxley and Mr. Dustin Wharton.

The Treasurer advised the Board that the notice requirements of R.C. 121.22 and the implementing rules adopted by the Board pursuant thereto were complied with for the meeting.

Mr. Hintz moved the adoption of the following resolution:

WHEREAS, through Ohio House Bill 33, which was signed by the Governor on July 3, 2023, the Ohio Legislature has changed the name of the Ohio Department of Education to the "Department of Education and Workforce"; and

WHEREAS, references to the "Ohio Department of Education" or "ODE" are found throughout the District's current Board Policy Manual; and

WHEREAS, it is most efficient to authorize a change in the references to the Ohio Department of Education and/or ODE to the Department of Education and Workforce and/or DEW in the Board Policy Manual as a whole, rather than making such authorization on a policy-by-policy basis.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Education of the Berne Union Local School District, Fairfield County, Ohio, that:


Section 1: References in the District's Board Policy Manual to the Ohio Department of Education and/or ODE shall be changed to Department of Education and Workforce or DEW.

Section 2: It is found and determined that all formal actions of this Board concerning and relating to the adoption of this resolution were adopted in an open meeting of this Board, and that all deliberations of the Board and of any of its committees that resulted in such formal action were in meetings open to the public or otherwise in compliance with all legal requirements.

Mr. Miller seconded the motion, and upon roll call, the vote resulted as follows:

Ayes: Mr. Garber, Mr. Hintz, Mr. Miller, Mrs. Oxley and Mr. Wharton. Nays: None

Motion passed and adopted this 13th day of February, 2024.


Board President

ATTEST:

Treasurer

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24-023: Superintendent's Recommendations

Moved by Mrs. Oxley and seconded by Mr. Miller to approve the Superintendent's recommendations as presented.

- a. To approve the 2024-2025 and the 2025-2026 school calendars as presented.
- b. Approve resolution authorizing membership in OHSAA for 2024-2025.
- c. Approval of Board Policy 1.14 (Committees), Board Policy 2.04 (Employment of Principals and Other Administrators), Board Policy 3.04 (Family and Medical Leave Act), Board Policy 4.04 (Evaluation of School Counselors), Board Policy 6.08 (Student Absences and Excuses), Board Policy 6.09 (Habitual Truancy Intervention Strategies), Board Policy 6.31 (Student Health Services and First Aid), Board Policy 6.44 (Transportation of Students in Board Owned Vehicles), Board Policy 7.05 (Remediation/Intervention Program for Reading Skills), Board Policy 8.01 (Investment Policy), Board Policy 9.06 (Personal Information Systems) and Board Policy 9.35 (Eligibility for Free or Reduced-Price Meals/Free Milk).
- d. Approve the purchase of a Steiner 450 Kubota and attachments form Kuhn Turf Equipment in the amount of \$40,000.00.

Vote results were Mr. Garber-aye. Mr. Hintz-aye, Mr. Miller-aye, Mrs. Oxley-aye, Mr. Wharton-aye. Motion carried.

24-024: Superintendent's Personnel Recommendations

Moved by Mr. Hintz and seconded by Mr. Miller to approve the Superintendent's personnel recommendations as presented.

- a. Approve the following supplemental contracts for the 2023-2024 school year:

Bob Downour	Head Boys Track Coach
Sonya Downour	Head Girls Track Coach
Ramsey Lockard	Assistant Boys Track
Chad Cupp	Head Baseball Coach
Bob Mason	Assistant Baseball Coach
Bryan Hartman	Assistant Baseball Coach
JJ Anderson	Volunteer Baseball Coach
Zane Mirgon	Volunteer Baseball Coach
Jake Parker	JV Volunteer Baseball Coach
Russ Blank	JV Volunteer Baseball Coach
Jason Costlow	Junior High Baseball Coach
Amanda Clark	Volunteer Junior High Baseball Coach
Danny Snively	Head Softball Coach
Julie Buckalow	Assistant Softball Coach
Braden Little	Assistant Softball Coach(1/2)
Macie Staten	Assistant Softball Coach(1/2)
Richie Kern	Junior High Boys Track Coach
Madison Ross	Junior High Girls Track Coach
Melissa Anderson	Junior High Softball Coach(1/2)
Nathan Speelman	Junior High Softball Coach(1/2)

- b. Approve Hakim Azar as a substitute custodian.

Vote results were Mr. Garber-aye. Mr. Hintz-aye, Mr. Miller-aye, Mrs. Oxley-aye, Mr. Wharton-aye. Motion carried.

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24-025: Superintendent's Personnel Recommendation

Moved by Mr. Miller and seconded by Mr. Hintz to approve the Superintendent's personnel recommendation as presented.

- a. Approve the following supplemental contract for the 2023-2024 school year:
Gary Oxley Assistant Girls Track Coach

Vote results were Mr. Garber-aye. Mr. Hintz-aye, Mr. Miller-aye, Mrs. Oxley-abstain, Mr. Wharton-aye. Motion carried.

24-026: Executive Session

Moved by Mrs. Oxley and seconded by Mr. Miller to enter into executive session for discussion of personnel. (Time: 7:22 p.m.) Vote results were Mr. Garber-aye. Mr. Hintz-aye, Mr. Miller-aye, Mrs. Oxley-aye, Mr. Wharton-aye. Motion carried.

24-027: Open Session

Moved by Mrs. Oxley and seconded by Mr. Hintz to return to open session. (Time: 8:01 p. m.) Vote results were Mr. Garber-aye. Mr. Hintz-aye, Mr. Miller-aye, Mrs. Oxley-aye, Mr. Wharton-aye. Motion carried.

24-028: Adjournment

Motion by Mr. Hintz and seconded by Mrs. Oxley to adjourn the meeting. (Time: 8:02 p.m.) Vote results were Mr. Garber-aye, Mr. Hintz-aye, Mr. Miller-aye, Mrs. Oxley-aye, Mr. Wharton-aye. Motion carried.

I certify these minutes to be correct.


PRESIDENT


TREASURER