

BRONSON COMMUNITY SCHOOLS

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Every Student ~ Every Day

This meeting is a meeting of the Board of Education in public for the purpose of conducting the School District's business and is not to be considered a public community meeting. There is a time set for public comments during the meeting as indicated on the agenda.

REGULAR BOARD MEETING

November 7, 2022

- I. **Call to Order** -President Jan Byler called the meeting to order at 6:29 PM.
- II. **Roll Call** -PRESENT: Jose Albarran, Jan Byler, Bob Cary, Brian Eley, Tyson Franks, Brenda Kelley, Dennis Sikorski.
- III. **OTHERS PRESENT:** Steve Wilson, Kate Wall, John Herbert, Wes McCrea, Jean LaClair, Kristen Frisbie, Alanna Denton, As well as some faculty members and community members.
- IV. **Good News:** Patriotic Leaders from Anderson led the Pledge of Allegiance this evening at our Board Meeting, Anderson Teacher Caitlin Coco received a grant from the Good Better Best Shop. Ryan Parent Teacher conferences had 95% in attendance. The Jr/Sr High Schools field trip for VPL to Strike Zone with 150 students going. Students presented a scene this evening of the Adventures of Alice in Wonderland. There will be shows Thursday, November 16-Sunday, November 20 \$ 5.00 @ the door. . Virtual and in-person coaching with staff from Communications by Design is in full swing 46 teacher interactions w/38 Teachers. 10-Anderson, 12-Ryan, 24-Jr/Sr High. Boys Bowling Coach received the MHSAA Coach of the Year Dustin Weinberg.
- V. **Consent Agenda:** It was moved by Albarran, supported by Kelley to accept the consent agenda which included the general fund voucher and minutes of the 10/3/22 meeting as presented. Voice vote; 7-0 motion carried. Thank you to the Balowski Family for the Memorial Donations to the Wrestling, Tennis, Bowling Teams, and Ryan Elementary.
- VI. **Public Comments**
 - A. Student Council-Mrs. Franks gave an update on Homecoming Week Activities, Dance and thanked Staff & Student for helping as well. A Christmas Assembly is being planned as well.
 - B. BEA- Mr. Milliman & Ms. Eppley will be taking 29 Junior High Students to Youth In Government in Lansing with Grant Funding taking care of most of the costs for them to attend. School Board Candidates held the virtual forum which went very well. Thanks to the Teachers who Participated Mrs. Franks, Mr. Cramer, Mr. McCrea, Ms.

Medema, and Mr. Milliman Quiz Bowl team vs Students. Bronson Schools will host the 1st time Quiz Bowl within the Big 8. This is open to the public Saturday, Nov 12, 2022 .

- C. PTO- Vice President Jamie Lewis talked about the activities so far this year including a Spaghetti Dinner @ Anderson. At our PTO Meetings we are getting more attendees this year. Dec 3, 2022 The Scholastic Book Fair will be hosting our pictures with Santa Event.
- D. EL Report- Leigh Parker spoke regarding EL Students and WIDA Testing in which 140 students were tested, along with supplies and resources purchases with EL Grant Funds, also Brent Bloom is helping out when needed. Leigh gave an updated work schedule as well.
- E. Kim Hemker Executive Director of Branch County Coalition Against Domestic Violence spoke regarding upcoming events One Night Without a Home (staying in cardboard boxes outside) to bring awareness to the issue of Homelessness and spoke about the 211 System.

VII Action Items

- A. Approve the Resignation of BJSHS Band Teacher Everett Cornwall. It was moved by Eley, supported by Cary. Roll call Vote 7-0 vote; motion carried.
- B. Approve the overnight trip for Youth In Government November 13-15, 2022. It was moved by Albarran, supported by Kelley. Roll call Vote 7-0 vote; motion carried.
- C. Approve Safe Return to in Person Instruction Document. It was moved by Eley, supported by Franks. Roll call Vote 7-0 vote; motion carried.
- D. Approve First Reading of NEOLA policies. It was moved by Albarran, supported by Franks. Roll call Vote 7-0 vote; motion carried.
- E. Approve Ryan Elementary Teacher Allyson Kus for Tenure. It was moved by Eley, supported by Kelley. Roll call Vote 7-0 vote; motion carried.

VIII. Discussion Items

- A. Building Reports- Each building principal presented specific events, activities in the buildings, along with building goals, aligned with Viking Laws.
- B. Curriculum, Instruction, and Grants Report: Reviewed Curriculum & Instruction initiatives in the District. Summarized the updated Plan of Use Narrative Esser 3: flooring replacement at the elementary offices. Also, updated the Board on Grant opportunities.
- C. Superintendent's Report: Construction update on Jr/Sr High School. Fire System/Electrician we have 1 more inspection. Personnel update: Drew Kiefer has been hired as a New Tech, 4th Grade Teacher & Science Teacher at HS are open. Projectors are all up in classrooms. Discussed other areas working on Attendance Jr/Sr High School, Refund from Pro Medica for Social Worker that hasn't been replaced. Thanks to Officer Barker & Chief Wilber for

reviewing safety in our buildings, SMBT employees that volunteered at our buildings for various projects, Melissa Herman for subbing 4th Grade classroom & Chase Gibson subbing Science Teacher at Jr/Sr High School until we can fill the 2 positions.

- D. BOE Conference Report: Jan Byler, Brian Eley and Brenda Kelley attended the conference. Spoke of the various sessions they attended: ABC School Bond, Strategic Planning. One speaker spoke about Promise & Integrity and we will be ordering "Because I Said Would" books for the Administration Team.

- E. Next Board Meeting Monday, December 5, 2022 6:30 PM Jr/Sr High Library.

- IX. Board Comments: Webinar on 11/22/22 Government Relationships. Asked for updates on pricing for Vape Sensors was discussed and will be on the agenda at our next Board Meeting. The School Board Election will be Tuesday, November 8, 2022. Asked about adding vans to the fleet (this will be on the agenda for the next school board meeting). Explained about the Sinking fund and the long term of why the front offices were remodeled.

It was moved by Franks, supported by Albarran, to adjourn the regular meeting and go into Closed Session at 8:05 pm.

It was moved by Sikorski and supported by Cary to come out of Closed session at 9:52 pm.. Roll Call 6-0,

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BOE President Jan Byler

BOE Secretary Brenda Kelley