

# 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

July 24, 2023

- I. **Call to Order**-President Jan Byler called the meeting to order at 6:30 PM.
- II. **Roll Call** – PRESENT: Jose Albarran, Jan Byler, Bob Cary, Tyson Franks, Jordon Houtz, Brenda Kelley, Dennis Sikorski AT 6:30 PM
- III. **Other's Present:** Kate Wall, Alexzandra Hubbard, as well as various community and staff members.
- IV. **Consent Agenda:** It was moved by Sikorski, supported by Franks which included the general fund voucher and Regular Minutes of June 28, 2023 and Special Board Minutes June 30, 2023.
- V. **Public Comments:** None
- VI. **Presentation of School Groups-** Nothing to Report
- VII. **Action Items**
  - A. Approve the Change Order Approval Process as presented. It was moved by Albarran, supported by Cary. Roll call 7-0 vote; motion carried.
  - B. Approve Proposed BEA "Schedule C" Contract Reopener. It was moved by Cary, supported by Kelley. Roll call 4-0 vote; motion carried. Abstaining Franks, Houtz, & Sikorski due to Family Members being Teachers. motion carried.
  - C. Approve the removal of Steve Wilson from the Depositories Accounts and add Kate Wall to the Depositories Accounts. It was moved by Kelley, supported by Franks. Roll call 7-0 vote; motion carried.
  - D. Approve language for the Sinking Fund Renewal Resolution for November, 2023 ballot. It was moved by Franks, supported by Sikorski. Roll call 7-0 vote; motion carried.
  - E. Approve rescinded acceptance of offer Elementary Physical Education Teacher, Kim Strowig. It was moved by Cary, supported by Albarran. Roll call 7-0 vote; motion carried.
  - F. Approve the resignation of Jr/Sr High School English Teacher Sarajane Eppley. It was moved by Albarran, supported by Franks. Roll call vote 7-0; motion carried.
  - G. Approve the hiring of Ryan Elementary Principal, Laurie Doner. It was moved by Cary, supported by Franks. Roll call vote 7-0; motion carried.
  - H. Approve the hiring of Jr/Sr High School Biology/Health Teacher, Chase Gibson. It was moved by Houtz, supported by Albarran. Roll call vote 7-0; motion carried.
  - I. Approve the hiring of Ryan Elementary 4<sup>th</sup> Grade Teacher, Destiny Skirka. It was moved by Albarran, supported by Franks. Roll call vote 7-0; motion carried.
  - J. Approve the hiring of 6<sup>th</sup> Grade Teacher, Zane McDonald. It was moved by Franks, supported by Cary. Roll call vote 7-0; motion carried.
  - K. Approve the hiring of Middle School Science Teacher, Julie Olson. It was moved by Kelley, supported by Cary. Roll call vote 7-0; motion carried.

## VIII. Discussion Items

### A. Superintendent's Report-

- New Teacher Orientation Monday, August 14, 2023
- Welcome Back Staff Breakfast Tuesday, August 15, 2023
- Personnel Update
- Legislation has passed for an increase for FTE for each student a total of \$9,608.00 (increase of \$ 458.00 from previous year).
- Food Service excess fund balance we did get a carry over extension.
- Bronson Shell promotion from August 1, 2023-September 30, 2023
- Free Lunches for students this coming school year is part of the State's Budget.
- Hillary Eley contract for Marketing and Public Relations.
- The Audit will be September 11, 2023-September 15, 2023
- Upcoming Dates:
  - August 4, 2023 the Band will have a preview dinner at 5:30 pm and the presentation at 6:00 pm.
  - August 11, 2023 First Annual Therapy Dog Conference will be held at Bronson High School at 9:00 am.
  - August 17, 2023 the Board MASB Legal Workshop from 8:30 am -12

B. Committee Reports: Building/Grounds met with Tower Pinkster to review the vision to spend the Food Service funds by June 30, 2024.

C. Use of Milliman Trust Funds: The funds were included in next year budget to be spent. The ideas were Scholarship account, classroom furniture (the cost approx. for this \$35,000 per classroom), tennis court and track. We want to send communication out to the Community to get their input as well. The exact amount of the Milliman Trust is \$439,080.17.

D. Capital Fund, Interest-Bearing Account: Have this for Capital Fund Projects. What amount do we need to have in the account? Finance Committee will meet to discuss this.

E. August Workshop Date: Board Workshop Sheet of Availability has been sent need response back by Thursday, July 27, 2023.

F. Next Board Meeting Monday, August 14, 2023 at 6:30 PM Jr/Sr High Library.

IX. Board Comments; Jordon-Kate is doing a great job. He's had community members ask and say that they have concerns that the Superintendent position hasn't been posted and we do not want to have the Interim Superintendent serve too long with the potential of a bond proposal being discussed.

Jan-Kate was appointed as the Interim Superintendent position with an amendment to her current Curriculum Contract which is why we haven't posted the Superintendent position. The Board can appoint and not post the position when both parties agree on the next step.

It was moved by Albarran, supported by Houtz to adjourn the meeting at 7:06 PM. Roll call 7-0.

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BOE President Jan Byler

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BOE Secretary Brenda Kelley