

BOARD OF EDUCATION  
September 18, 2023 – 6:30 p.m.  
Regular Meeting  
School Administration Office

The Barron Area School District Board of Education met in Regular Session on Monday, September 18, 2023, at 6:30 p.m. at the school administration office.

President Brittany Stephens announced it was an open meeting and that proper notice was given to the news media.

Members Present: Brittany Stephens, Chris Donica, Danette Hellmann, Dan McNeil, Megan Marion, Wil Sinclair, Orin Thompson\* and Kate Vruwink.

Members Absent: Kelli Rasmussen

\*Virtually present

The meeting began with the Pledge of Allegiance and the reciting of the Mission Statement.

Public comments were invited by the District at Large and by Staff and Students.

Spotlight on Staff: Suzanne Vergin

Minutes of the August 21, 2023 Regular Session and the August 23, 2023 Special Session will stand as presented.

Marion/Vruwink moved to approve the Consent Agenda as follows:

- A. Vouchers to be Paid
- B. Approval of Resignations
  - 1. Amy Stone, Bus Driver
  - 2. Angela Johnson, Special Education Assistant
  - 3. Fatima Omar, EL Assistant
- C. Approval of Staffing Recommendations
  - 1. Karla Lara, Substitute Teacher
  - 2. Jaylin Malone, Substitute Special Education Assistant
  - 3. Kari McDonald, Substitute Special Education Assistant
  - 4. Brooke Shatley, Substitute Special Education Assistant
  - 5. Sydney Stauner, Substitute Support Staff
  - 6. Samantha Elam, Math Counts Advisor
  - 7. Kaydie Green, Early Childhood Special Education Teacher
  - 8. Michelle Scribner, Middle School Administrative Assistant
  - 9. Paige Bates, Transfer to 7.5 Hour Special Education Assistant
- D. Approval of Donations
  - 1. Ellyn & Jake Schneider, RMS Band Department, Trumpet, \$250
  - 2. DonorsChoose, Donnette Mickelson, Hydraulic STEM Kits, \$300
  - 3. United Methodist Women, Student Needs, \$400
  - 4. Amazon Wish List, Heidi Ovsak, Classroom Supplies, \$370.27
- E. Approval of Fundraising Requests
  - 1. Volleyball Program, Dig Pink Night, September 28, 2023
- F. Approval of Early Graduation Request

Motion carried by Roll Call Vote, Voting Aye: Donica, Hellmann, McNeil, Marion, Sinclair, Stephens, Thompson and Vruwink. Voting Nay: none

Informational Reports:

- A. District Administrator's Report: Construction Update
- B. Correspondence: Thank you
  - 1. Almena Community Club
  - 2. Barron Federated Music Club
  - 3. Darold Baumgard Family
- C. Food Service Report
- D. Boiler Plant Report
- E. Monthly Enrollment Report

Committee Reports:

Informational

- A. Site Council/Parent Groups
  - 1. Almena A.C.E.-none
- B. Technology Report
- C. BACC Report – Chris Donica & Kelli Rasmussen

The Treasurer's Report will be filed for audit as follows for August 2023: Flex Account Balance-\$22,388.94; General Fund Balance-\$3,859,745.14; Activity Fund Balance -\$330,015.55; Fund 46-\$1,657,297.15.

Action Agenda:

Sinclair/Hellmann moved to approve Support Staff Handbook revisions. Motion carried, all ayes.

Donica/Sinclair moved to approve the Settlement Agreement with Juul & Social Media. Motion carried, all ayes.

McNeil/Marion moved to approve an architect for hire for a potential Early Learning Center. Motion carried, all ayes.

Vruwink/Sinclair moved to approve the hire of Cathie Hilberg as an EL Assistant at Woodland Elementary. Motion carried, all ayes.

Marion/Donica moved to approve the hire of Jessica Chernak as a Special Education Program Assistant at Woodland Elementary. Motion carried, all ayes.

Upcoming Meetings/Information:

1. Ribbon Cutting Ceremony/Community Appreciate Meal, October 6, 2023
2. WASB Regional Meeting, October 19, 2023, Lehman's Supper Club
3. Wisconsin State Education Convention, January 17-19, 2024, Milwaukee
4. Float making, October 4, 5:30 p.m.

Duly moved to adjourn.

Danette Hellmann, Acting Board Clerk