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The Board met in Regular Session on Wednesday, January 19, 2022, at 6:00 p.m. at Oakhurst Elementary School Multi-Purpose Room and via live stream at https://tinyurl.com/blsdlive.

#### **CALL TO ORDER**

1.1 The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Board President, Ronda Clarke.

#### ROLL CALL

Members Present: Board President, Ronda Clarke; Board Vice President, Steven High; Board Clerk, Ann Mangold; Board Member, Bill Atwood and Board Member, Julie Greenwood via Google Meet.

Staff Present: Principal, Tim McGrew; Principal, Heather Archer; Principal, Kathy Murphy; Chief Business Officer, Tara Campanella; Director of Special Programs and Projects, Michelle Townsend; Chief Technology Officer, Steffan John; Director of Operations, Robert Dias; Superintendent, Randall Seals and Executive Assistant, Jeanne Ratchford

Others present: Kristzi Mendonca

## MONTHLY ITEMS AND FINANCIAL REPORTS

#### **CONSENT AGENDA**

NOTE: The Board will be asked to approve all of the following items by a single vote, unless any member of the Board or of the public asks that an item be removed from the consent agenda and considered and discussed separately.

- 3.1 Approval of agenda.
- 3.2 Approval of minutes of the Regular Meeting, December 13, 2021.

- 3.3 Approval of monthly payroll, \$588,886.38.
- 3.4 Accept Quarterly Report on Williams Uniform Complaints.
- 3.5 Approval of Donations.
- 3.6 Approval of Compensation for Additional Duties: \$250 each for Christy Newell and Debbie Elliott for the MASS program; \$500 for Christy Newell for the Oakhurst Elementary Yearbook; \$250 each for Gabriele Franck and Jennifer McMechan for Girls Basketball at Wasuma.
- 3.7 Disposition of Surplus Items.

A MOTION WAS MADE by Bill Atwood, seconded by Ann Mangold to approve the items on the Consent Agenda. ROLL CALL VOTE: Ronda Clarke, aye; Steven High, aye; Ann Mangold, aye; Bill Atwood, aye; and Julie Greenwood, aye. Motion carried.

#### FINANCIAL REPORTS

# 4.1 Monthly approval of warrants. (Action needed)

Tara Campanella answered several questions about warrant items and A MOTION WAS MADE by Steven High, seconded by Ann Mangold to approve the Warrants. ROLL CALL VOTE: Ronda Clarke, aye; Steven High, aye; Ann Mangold, aye; Bill Atwood, aye; and Julie Greenwood, aye. Motion carried.

## 5. HEARING OF PERSONS WISHING TO ADDRESS THE BOARD

The public may address the Board on any matter pertaining to the school district that is not on the agenda. Members of the public may sign up requesting to address the Board by filling out a request form and turning it in to the Board President prior to the start of the meeting. Unless otherwise determined by the Board, each person is limited to three (3) minutes and 20 minutes per topic if multiple people speak. You may also email jratchford@basslakesd.org prior to 12:00 p.m. on the date of the meeting if you would like to address the Board. Your email will be read by a staff member at the meeting (up to 3 minutes in length.) There will be no Board discussion and no action will be taken unless listed on a subsequent agenda. The public may also submit a request to address the Board on each of the remaining items on the agenda as those items are taken up by specifying the agenda item on the public comment request form. Unless otherwise determined by the Board, each person is limited to 3 minutes per item.

Items requiring lengthy discussion, at the Board's discretion, may be scheduled as a specific agenda item at future meetings. Those submitting comments are requested to provide their name and to address comments to the Board of Trustees.

None

## <u>ACTION ITEMS</u>

#### 6. BOARD MEMBER HEALTH AND WELFARE BENEFITS

Health and Welfare Benefits for Board Members (Bylaw 9250.) (Information and possible action.)

Trustee Atwood explained that his current insurance plan as a retired administrator with Mariposa County School District is the same as ours. If he were to move to our plan, his wife would not continue to receive insurance if he were to die or be voted off the board so he wants to remain on Mariposa's plan and get reimbursed. Chief Business Officer, Campanella reiterated her rationale that was presented the first time at the May, 2021 Board Meeting which included costs involved with this request and if this option were offered to Trustee Atwood it would need to be offered to the other 14 staff members who do not take our medical insurance with likely costs to the District of over \$200,000 annually. Board President, Clarke stated she did not think it was in the best financial interest of the District and would be self-serving and in opposition to the Board's goals to move forward with this request. Trustee Atwood stated that Ms. Clarke's concept of equity is bogus and that people he knows think it's a personal attack against his political and conservative values. Trustee High said a change in policy would open up a can of worms and he doesn't see it in the same way as Trustee Atwood. Trustee Atwood stated he knew how the item would be received by the Board but wanted to make a point about equity vs. equitable. He feels equity = equal outcome vs. equitable = equal opportunity. President Clarke stated that the current situation is equitable as all Board members receive the same benefits should they elect to do so.

THERE WAS NO MOTION and the item died.

#### SCHEDULE A BOARD WORKSHOP TO DISCUSS NORMS AND GOALS.

Choose a date and location for a Board Workshop to discuss Norms and Goals.

The Board decided to schedule a meeting to discuss Norms, Goals and Governance on Thursday, February 10th at 3:00 p.m. in the District Conference Room.

## **INFORMATIONAL ITEMS**

#### 8. ENROLLMENT REPORT

Fresno Flats Community Day School, 3; Oak Creek Intermediate, 180; Oakhurst Elementary, 319; Wasuma Elementary, 296; Bass Lake Independent Study School, 41 for a District Total of 839.

#### 9. INTERDISTRICT TRANSFER REPORT

There were no Interdistrict Transfers.

#### PROPOSED REDISTRICTING TRUSTEE AREA BOUNDARIES.

Review of the proposed redistricting map for our board trustee areas from Odell Planning & Research, Inc.

Superintendent Seals explained the changes that were made to the redistricting map and that it would be presented in the February meeting for Board approval at a Public Hearing.

## 11. MAINTENANCE AND OPERATIONS REPORT

Robert Dias, MOT Director will present a report on the MOT Department.

Director of Operations, Robert Dias gave a presentation on the current state of projects in the District and plans for the future. (Please see attached PowerPoint.)

12. MADERA COUNTY SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS APPROVAL OF ESSER III EXPENDITURE PLAN.

Superintendent Seals informed the Board that our ESSER III Expenditure Plan was approved by the County.

13. FIRST READING OF BP 0420.42 CHARTER SCHOOL RENEWAL

First reading of proposed updates to BP 0420.42 Charter School Renewal.

14. FIRST READING OF BP AR E 1312.3 UNIFORM COMPLAINT PROCEDURES
First reading of proposed updates to BP AR 1312.3 Uniform Complaint Procedures.

15. FIRST READING OF AR 3515.6 CRIMINAL BACKGROUND CHECKS FOR CONTRACTORS

First reading of proposed updates to AR 3515.6 Criminal Background Checks For Contractors.

16. FIRST READING OF AR 4217.3 LAYOFF/REHIRE

First reading of new district regulation AR 4217.3 Layoff/Rehire.

17. FIRST READING OF AR 5125 STUDENT RECORDS

First reading of proposed updates to AR 5125 Student Records.

18. FIRST READING OF AR 5145.3 NONDISCRIMINATION/HARASSMENT

First reading of proposed updates to AR 5145.3 Nondiscrimination/Harassment.

19. FIRST READING OF BP AR 5148 CHILD CARE AND DEVELOPMENT
First reading of proposed updates to BP AR 5148 Child Care and Development.

20. FIRST READING OF BP AR 5148.2 BEFORE/AFTER SCHOOL PROGRAMS
First reading of new district policy and regulation BP AR 5148.2 Before/After School Programs.

21. FIRST READING OF BP AR 5148.3 PRESCHOOL/EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION

First reading of proposed updates to BP AR 5148.3 Preschool/Early Childhood Education.

22. FIRST READING OF BP AR 6112 SCHOOL DAY

First reading of proposed updates to BP AR 6112 School Day.

23. FIRST READING OF BP AR 6143 COURSES OF STUDY

First reading of proposed updates to BP AR 6143 Courses of Study.

The Board Members expressed several concerns regarding the wording of this Board Policy and Administrative Regulation. Superintendent Seals will make edits to the policy before it's presented at the next meeting for approval and adoption.

24. FIRST READING OF BP AR 6158 INDEPENDENT STUDY

First reading of proposed updates to BP AR 6158 Independent Study.

## 25. FIRST READING OF BP 6170.1 TRANSITIONAL KINDERGARTEN

First reading of proposed updates to BP 6170.1 Transitional Kindergarten.

## 26. FIRST READING OF BB 9320 MEETINGS AND NOTICES

First reading of proposed updates to BB 9320 Meetings and Notices.

## 27. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

In the interest of time, there was no Superintendent Report presented.

## 28. BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS

Julie Greenwood stated she is so impressed by the efforts teachers are putting out when a family member is exposed to Covid and thanked our substitute teachers who are stepping in to help. Steven High thanked Robert Dias for his presentation and looks forward to studying the policies presented this evening before our next meeting. He appreciates all the input and will look into it more. Bill Atwood complimented Robert, Steffan and the Principals and said it amazes him that people take such ownership of their areas. He said it's wonderful they never give the impression it's a 9 to 5 job. He said the reports given this evening were great. Ann Mangold stated she's super excited about the Mountain Area Ski School being back to our District this year and thanked those who make it happen. She appreciates Robert Dias' announcements on the mornings of inclement weather. Ronda Clarke echoed what everyone said. She said she can't imagine what our staff is going through to keep the ship afloat during staff shortages, etc. and appreciates all we do.

## 29. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

Early notification of retirement incentive will be placed on next month's agenda.

#### 30. NEXT MEETING DATE

Unless otherwise announced, the next meeting will be the Regular Meeting scheduled for Wednesday, February 9, 2022, 6:00 p.m. at the Oakhurst Elementary School Multi-Purpose Room.

## 31. PUBLIC COMMENT REGARDING CLOSED SESSION ITEMS

The public is welcome to address the Board on any matter on the closed session agenda. Members of the public must email their comments to jratchford@basslakesd.org no later than 12:00 pm on the date of the meeting. In the subject line of the email please state your name and the closed session item that you wish to make a comment about. Please be aware that written comments, including your name, may become public information.

Comments received by 12:00 pm will be read aloud by a staff member provided that such comments may be read within the normal three minutes allotted to each speaker. Any portion of your comment extending past three minutes may not be read aloud due to time restrictions. If a comment on a closed session item is received after 12:00 pm, efforts will be made to read your comment into the record. However, staff cannot guarantee that written comments received after 12:00 pm will be read. All written comments that are not read into the record will be made part of the meeting minutes, provided such comments are received prior to the end of the Board meeting.

None

# 32. CLOSED SESSION Personnel/Negotiations/Litigation

The Board went into Closed Session at 8:36 p.m.

NOTE: The Board will consider and may act upon any of the following items in closed session. Any action taken will be reported publicly at the end of the closed session as required by law.

- 32.1 Employee Negotiations (Gov. Code 54957.6)
- 32.2 Personnel (Gov. Code 54957)
- 32.3 Student Discipline or other confidential Student matters (Ed. Code sections 35146, 48900 et seq., 48912(b) and 49060 et seq., and 20 U.S.C. section 1232g)

## 33. RECONVENE IN OPEN SESSION: ANNOUNCE CLOSED SESSION ACTIONS

The Board reconvened into Open Session at 9:05 p.m. There were no announcements.

## 34. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 9:05 p.m.

RS/jr

Randall Seals, Superintendent

Ann Mangold, Board Clerk