

BOARD OF EDUCATION

BALDWIN COMMUNITY SCHOOLS

Baldwin, MI 49304

REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING MINUTES ON OCTOBER 17, 2023

I. CALL TO ORDER - REGULAR MEETING

Ms. Martin called the meeting to order at 6:00 pm.

II. ROUTINE BUSINESS

A. Pledge of Allegiance

B. Roll Call

Members Present: Arnold, Brooks, Ware, Pieske, Abraham, Martin

Members Absent: Carter, Hill

C. Recitation of BCS Mission Statement

D. Purpose of Open Board Meetings:

"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 for public participation during the meeting as indicated in the agenda"

E. Consent Agenda Items

1. Approval of the Agenda

2. Approval of the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of September 19, 2023, Special Meeting Minutes of October 9, 2023, and Closed Session Meeting Minutes of October 9, 2023 (2).

3. Approval of the Bills to be Paid:

a) General Fund Account Check Numbers (77150-77248)

b) Food Services Fund Account Check Numbers (5142-5147)

c) Student Activities Fund Account Check Numbers (12324-12326)

d) Baldwin Promise Authority Account Check Numbers (1427-1429)

A motion was by Brooks and supported by Pieske to approve the Consent Agenda Items.

5 Ayes, 0 Nays

Motion Carried

III. STUDENT OF THE MONTH

A. Lower Elementary - Dean Gutowski, 2nd grade

B. Upper Elementary - Liam Smith, 3rd grade

C. Junior High School - Harmony Smith-Davis, 6th grade

D. High School - Louie Jackson, 11th grade

Each principal introduced and highlighted each Student of the Month's attributes and presented them with a plaque and gift card.

IV. PRESENTATIONS

There were no presentations at this meeting.

V. ACADEMIC REPORTS

A. Elementary School

Mrs. VanAntwerp shared highlights happening at the Secondary building and the growing enrollments. The Elementary staff decided to bring back the Halloween Parade, which will be held on October 31, 2023.

B. Jr./Sr. High School

Mr. Nasson shared highlights happening at the Secondary building and the enrollments. He also provided information on the EWIMS down drill from the first 30 days of school.

C. Instructional Services

Mr. Mangum shared details about the Professional Development that occurred in September. He reported that READ 180 is up and running with 51 students participating. Mr. Mangum presented Fall NWEA data.

VI. COMMUNICATION / COMMUNITY ITEMS

There were no Community Items at this meeting.

VII. DISCUSSION ITEMS

- A. Resignation of Theresa Emington
- B. A donation in the amount of \$220 was received by Julia and Terrill Swartz for Elementary classroom supplies.
- C. A donation in the amount of \$300 was received by Julia and Terrill Swartz for the Class of 2024.
- D. A donation was received by Lake County Chamber of Commerce to be put towards Athletics in the amount of \$500.00.
- E. AMK Entertainment Quote, increased by \$1000

Mr. Forrester went over each Discussion Items and provided detailed information for each topic.

VIII. COMMUNICATION / COMMUNITY ITEMS

There were no Community Items at this meeting.

IX. ACTION ITEMS

A. Accept the resignation of Theresa Emington

A motion was made by Ware and supported by Pieske to accept the resignation of Theresa Emmington.

5 Ayes, 0 Nays
Motion Carried

B. Accept the \$220 donation from the Swartz family for Elementary supplies or other classroom needs.

A motion was made by Ware and supported by Pieske to accept the donation for \$220 from the Swartz Family for Elementary supplies or other classroom needs.

5 Ayes, 0 Nays
Motion Carried

C. Accept the \$300 donation for the Class of 2024 from the Swartz Family

A motion was made by Abraham and supported by Martin to accept the donation for the Class of 2024 from the Swartz Family.

5 Ayes, 0 Nays
Motion Carried

D. Accept the \$500 donation from Lake County Chamber of Commerce for athletics.

A motion was made by Pieske and supported by Ware to accept the donation in the amount of \$500 from the Lake County Chamber of Commerce for athletics.

5 Ayes, 0 Nays
Motion Carried

E. Accept the amended AMK Entertainment Quote

A motion made by Ware and supported by Abraham to accept the amended AMK Entertainment Quote.

5 Ayes, 0 Nays
Motion Carried

X. STUDENT REPRESENTATIVE ITEMS

Mr. Arnold shared an item that a student brought to him in regards to the dress code. He will work with the building principal to address the matter.

XI. SUPERINTENDENT ITEMS

- A. Communications Update
- B. Board of Education Retreat
- C. Board Professional Development
 - 1. Board Retreat - October 13-15; Crystal Mountain Resort
 - 2. MASB Annual Leadership Conference - November 9-12; Lansing Center

Mr. Forrester shared updates on each topic. Mr. Forrester acknowledged and appreciation for all the hard work that our building principals in honor of Principal month.

XII. BOARD PRESIDENT ITEMS

Ms. Martin expressed how great the Board Retreat was. She thanked everyone for their hard work and dedication to the retreat and the progress they made.

XIII. BOARD MEMBER ITEMS

Mr. Brooks also expressed his gratitude to the relaxing environment and nice accommodation for the Retreat. He was very pleased with the collaboration of the group.

XIV. ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Pieske and supported by Abraham to adjourn that meeting at 7:38 pm.

Ms. Martin adjourned the meeting at 7:38 pm.

Respectfully Submitted by,



**Katena Abraham, Secretary
Board of Education**