



BEDFORD AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT

02/12/2024 [06:30 PM] @ BHS Board Conference Room

FEBRUARY BOARD WORK SESSION MEETING

1. Call to Order.

- A. Pledge to the flag.
- B. Prayer.

2. Roll Call.

3. Adoption of Agenda.

Dr. Ruhlman will provide information and respond to member inquiries concerning the details of the proposed agenda.

4. Public Comment.

5. Secretary's Report.

- A. Request approval of the Minutes recorded for the Monday, January 8, 2024 Board Work Session and Tuesday, January 16, 2024 Board Business Meeting.
(See attached.)

6. Financial Reports.

- A. Request approval of the official financial reports and to pay the bills for February 2024. (See attached.)

7. Unfinished Business.

- A. Policies.
 - 1) Request FINAL approval of the following amended policies for the Board Policy Manual:
 - a) Policy #011 – Principles for Governance and Leadership **(ATTACHMENT #1)**
 - b) Policy #819 – Suicide Awareness, Prevention and Response **(ATTACHMENT #2)**

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- c) Policy #610 – Purchases Subject to Bid/Quotation (**ATTACHMENT #3**)
- d) Policy #611 – Purchases Budgeted (**ATTACHMENT #4**)

8. New Business.

A. Personnel.

**All employees and volunteers under the personnel section are being hired pending receipt of proper clearances and compliance with the Act 168 regulations.*

1) Request approval of the following individuals to the list of PA Certified Substitutes for the 2023-2024 school year:

- o Madeline Bussard of 643 Hickory Hill Road, Six Mile Run, PA 16679
- o Kiya Diehl of 3449 Business 220, Bedford, PA 15522

2) Request approval to add the following individuals to the list of AIU08 Substitutes for the 2023-2024 school year:

- o Faith Sigler of 357 Fike Hollow Road, Meyersdale, PA 15552
- o Amber Thomas of 973 Brant Hollow Road, Buffalo Mills, PA 15534

3) Extra Duty/Extra Pay:

Bedford High School

- a) Request approval for two (2) students to attend the PMEA Region III Band Festival on February 22-24, 2024 at Bald Eagle High School. The students will be staying overnight the nights of February 22-23, 2024 in State College.
- b) Request approval for three (3) students to attend the District 6 PMEA Region 3 Chorus Festival at Somerset High School on March 7-9, 2024. The students will be staying overnight the nights of March 7-8, 2024 in Somerset.
- c) Request approval for one (1) student to attend the PMEA Western Region Orchestra Festival on March 21-23, 2024 at Seneca Valley School District. The student will be staying overnight the nights of March 21-22, 2024 in Seneca Valley.
- d) Request approval for nine (9) students to attend the FBLS State Leadership Conference at the Hershey Lodge in Hershey, PA, from April 8-10, 2024. The students will be staying overnight the nights of April 8-9, 2024 in Hershey.

- e) Request approval for up to four (4) students to attend All-State PMEA in Erie, PA on April 17-20, 2024. The qualifying students will be staying overnight the nights of April 17-19, 2024 in Erie.

Bedford Athletics

- f) Request to approve the resignation of Taylor Cahill as Varsity Head Wrestling Coach effective January 19, 2024.
- g) Request approval of Tanner Williams as Interim Varsity Head Wrestling Coach, retroactive to January 19, 2024 through the end of the 2023-2024 season.
- h) Request approval of Ty Bechtel as Interim Varsity Assistant Wrestling Coach, retroactive to January 19, 2024 through the end of the 2023-2024 season.

B. PDE Plans.

- 1) Request approval of the 2024-2027 K-12 Guidance Plan for Bedford Area SD. **(ATTACHMENT #5)**

C. Policies.

- 1) Request tentative approval of the following new policy for the Board Policy Manual:
 - a) Policy #828 – Fraud **(ATTACHMENT #6)**

D. Business Items.

- 1) Request approval of the agreement between the Fort Bedford Chapter of Trout Unlimited and the Bedford Area School District. **(Attachment #7)**
- 2) Request approval of the stipulation and agreement of tax assessment appeal docket No. 1235-2023 with National Museum of the American Coverlet for the 2024 tax year. **(ATTACHMENT #8)**

E. Technology.

- 1) Request approval to contract with Apple Financial Services to lease 1,925 Apple iPads, including Mosyle license subscription, Apple Professional Learning, AppleCare+, and Brenthaven iPad Cases. The payment structure would be \$211,120.31 each year for 4 years at a 0% Promotional APR with the first payment due in July 2024.

F. Transportation.

- 1) Request approval of Amber Stickel of 107 Mile Level Road, Bedford, PA 15522 as a BASD driver, employed by BASD contractors, pending submission of all required clearances and paperwork.

G. Superintendent's Report.

- 1) Student Board Representatives.
- 2) School Highlights.
- 3) Building Project.
- 4) Middle School Tour (Prior to Business Meeting)
- 5) PCCD Physical, Security, & Mental Health Grants
- 6) Hope for Hyndman Charter School: Total Loss Insurance ~\$13,000 Annually

9. Other.

10. Adjournment.