



BEDFORD AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT

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APRIL BOARD WORK SESSION MEETING

1. Call to Order.

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

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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, March 11, 2024 Board Work Session and Tuesday, March 19, 2024 Board Business Meeting.
(See attached.)

6. Financial Reports.

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

7. Unfinished Business.

- A. Policies.

1) Request FINAL approval of the following revised policy for the Board Policy Manual:

- a) Policy #815 – Acceptable Use of Internet, Computers, and Network Resources
(ATTACHMENT #1)

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 medical leave for Mrs. Terra Wertz, 7th Grade Language Arts Teacher at Bedford Middle School, beginning April 22, 2024 with an anticipated return date of June 11, 2024, utilizing accumulated paid leave, sick bank days, unpaid leave, and FMLA, if needed.
- 2) Request approval of maternity leave for Mrs. Peyton Foor, 8th Grade English Teacher at Bedford Middle School, beginning approximately May 19, 2024 with an anticipated return date of August 19, 2024, utilizing accumulated paid leave, and FMLA, if needed.
- 3) Request to approve the retirement of the following Administration and Teachers at the end of the 2023-2024 school year.

Bedford Elementary School

- Ms. Leslie Turkovich, Principal at Bedford Elementary School, effective June 28, 2024. Ms. Turkovich has been with the District for 36 years.
- Mrs. Lisa Brown Farnan, 1st Grade Teacher at Bedford Elementary School, effective May 31, 2024. Mrs. Farnan has been with the District for 25 years.
- Mr. Bradley May, 5th Grade Teacher at Bedford Elementary School, effective May 31, 2024. Mr. May has been with the District for 17 years.
- Mrs. Karen Stoudnour, 1st Grade Teacher at Bedford Elementary School, effective May 31, 2024. Mrs. Stoudnour has been with the District for 34 years.
- Mrs. Terri Zimmerman, 1st Grade Teacher at Bedford Elementary School, effective May 31, 2024. Mrs. Zimmerman has been with the District for 29 years.

Bedford Middle School

- Mrs. Beth Hull, Music/Chorus Teacher at Bedford Middle School, effective May 31, 2024. Mrs. Hull has been with the District for 2 years.
- Mrs. Jill Wigfield, 6th Grade Math Teacher at Bedford Middle School, Effective May 31, 2024. Mrs. Wigfield has been with the District for 31.5 years.

Bedford High School

- Mr. David Miller, Math Teacher at Bedford High School, effective May 31, 2023. Mr. Miller has been with the District for 35 years.

B. IU08.

- 1) Request approval to participate in the Substitute Teacher Consortium through the Appalachia Intermediate Unit 8 for the 2024-2025 school year. The fee for participating remains the same as last year at \$500. The fee includes advertising/recruiting assistance, training (presenter fees/expenses, meals, materials), distribution of files, program coordination and postage.

C. Technology.

- 1) Request approval to award UDNI (United Datacom Networks Inc.) the bid for a Technology Infrastructure Security Improvement for the District to be paid from the ESSERS Grant with 70% reimbursement from E-Rate Funding.

The total cost of this upgrade is \$42,726.53, and the proposed funding is as follows:

- The total cost of the project from UDNI: \$42,726.53
 - SonicWall NSA 5700 Firewall with High Availability: \$35,282.53
 - APC Smart-UPS: \$3,744
 - Installation and configuration: \$3,700
- E-Rate Reimbursement: \$24,172.70
- Remaining Balance paid from ESSERS Grant: \$18,553.83

D. Subcommittees.

- 1) Request approval to adopt the following resolution proposed by the Buildings and Grounds Committee:

“The Bedford Area School Board supports and adopts the Bedford High School renovation project as designed by EI Associates including the building, grounds and alternates with final scope determined after receipt and review of bids.”

E. Superintendent’s Report.

- 1) Student Board Representatives.
- 2) School Highlights.
- 3) Hiring Fair.
- 4) Building Project.
- 5) Preliminary Budget Report.

9. Other.

10. Adjournment.