

Bismarck-Henning Rossville-Alvin Cooperative High School
Board of Education Meeting Minutes
Monday, September 18th, 2023
5:00pm - BHCUSD Board Room

The Bismarck-Henning Rossville-Alvin Cooperative High School Board of Education Tentative Budget Hearing was called to order on Monday, August 14th, 2023 at 5:00pm by Robert Danner, Board President.

Roll Call was taken for the Budget Hearing. Present: John Petersen, Cheryl Brumett, Steve Lane, Robert Danner, and Maridith Hearnley, Jeremy Deck, and Justin Watt. Also present was Scott Watson - Superintendent of Bismarck-Henning CUSD and Crystal Johnson-Maden - Superintendent of Rossville-Alvin School District.

- Motion to approve the agenda was made by Cheryl Brumett and approved by Maridith Hearnley. Approved by roll call vote 7-0.

Guests: Phil Benjamin - Assistant Principal, Kelly Meeker - Bookkeeper, Tony Foster - Athletic Director, Tammy Duncan - BHCUSD Accounts Payable, Kari Taylor - Community Member.

- Motion to approve the FY24 Budget made by John Petersen and seconded by Steve Lane. Approved by roll call vote 7-0.

Budget Hearing Meeting adjourned at 5:02pm

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Guests: Phil Benjamin - Assistant Principal, Kelly Meeker - Bookkeeper, Tony Foster - Athletic Director, Tammy Duncan - BHCUSD Accounts Payable, and Kari Taylor - Community Member.

- Motion made by Steve Lane and seconded by Maridith Hearnley to approve the consent agenda items (minutes of the August Board Meeting, minutes of the Special Board meeting on August 30, 2023, Consideration of the Bills of the Month, and Activity Fund Balances). Approved by roll call vote 7-0.
- Motion made by Cheryl Brumett and seconded by John Petersen to approve the FY24 Budget. Approved by roll call vote 7-0.

Reports:

1. Mr. Benjamin presented a discipline report. Discipline is on par with other years. 31 referrals so far this year.
2. Vape Detector Update

3. 6-Day Enrollment - 368 kids - biggest class has 30 students
4. Prom will be held 4/27/24 @ Woodbury Falls in Danville
5. Patriot Day - BHRA raised \$7003 for Bismarck Community Fire Protection District
6. Cash Dash for the Easton Wilsey Family was held at the Homecoming Game. Easton was a 4th grader killed in a train/bicycle accident from Royal. \$1,366.00 raised.
7. Bus crisis where a student had a seizure on the bus. 3 high school students stepped up to help the bus driver with the situation.
8. Jen Heidrick and some of her students cleaned up & painted the marquee.
9. Hoco - a big thanks to Kami Russell, Jen Guminski, and all those involved in Homecoming activities for a successful week.

Administrative Update:

1. Aaron Rickard is currently working on requirements for a teaching certificate. CTE teachers are a little different in that they don't always need a teaching degree, but endorsements take into account work skills. Tracey Watson is mentoring him.
 2. Dual Enrollment Update
 - a. Jeremy Deck initial conversation with DACC.
 - b. DACC is working to create a system to help with eligibility.
 - c. Would like 1 more board member for the committee. A couple of teachers would also like to be a part of the committee.
- Motion made by Cheryl Brumett and seconded by Justin Watt for Handbook additions, 2nd reading. Additions were suggested by IL Principals Association. Approved by roll call vote 7-0.

Building & Grounds Update:

1. Need for a set of portable bleachers - currently looking at pricing.
 2. Scoreboard in Wilcox Gym is ok now, but it is an older scoreboard and it's getting harder to get parts to fix it.
 3. We currently are struggling with storage – specifically with files that must be held for a long-period of time.
- Motion made by John Petersend and seconded by Cheryl Brumett to create an Activity Account called graduation and transfer all old class balances to this new account. Approved by roll call vote 7-0.

Personnel:

- Motion made by Cheryl Brumett and seconded by Maridith Hearnley to approve the resignation of Amy DeGolyer, Ag Teacher. Approved by roll call vote 7-0.
- Motion made by Maridith Hearnley and seconded by Steve Lane to approve the hiring of Lexi Smith as Assistant Softball Coach. Approved by roll call vote 7-0.
- Motion made by Steve Lane and seconded by Cheryl Burumett to approve the hiring of Aaron Rickard, Ag Teacher. Approved by roll call vote 7-0.
- Motion made by Maridith Hearnley and seconded by Jeremy Deck to adjourn the meeting at 5:45pm. Approved by voice vote 7-0.

President, Robert Danner

Secretary, Jeremy Deck