

BEAVER CREEK SCHOOL DISTRICT #26
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Karin Ward, Superintendent



MINUTES
REGULAR GOVERNING BOARD MEETING
TUESDAY, MARCH 12, 2024

Board members in attendance:

Jackie Harshman
Lincoln Thomasson
Jim Andrus
Susi Edgington
Carlos Ramos

1. The Regular Board Meeting was called to order at 6:02 PM by Jackie Harshman.
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3. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited and was followed by a Moment of Silence.
4. Lincoln Thomasson made the motion to adopt the Agenda. The motion was seconded by Jim Andrus and the Agenda was adopted with a unanimous vote.

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| Jackie Harshman | Lincoln Thomasson | Jim Andrus | Susi Edgington | Carlos Ramos |
| Aye | Aye | Aye | Aye | Aye |

5. Board Meeting Minutes (that may need corrections) The Board discussed how they would conduct the board business of the meeting. It has been decided to try discussing if necessary and only motioning for the approval.
6. Information Only Items
 - A. Summary of Current Events:
 - a. Superintendent Update
 - i. Superintendent Ward deferred to Principal Wheeler who gave the Good Things Happening at Beaver Creek School by reviewing the Department Highlights from February. Included this month was the completion of K-8 AZELLA testing, Middle School Boys Basketball took 2nd in State, planning for Literacy night, and lots more!
 - ii. Superintendent Ward gave the Governing Board Members a copy of the Legislative Update from ARSA.
 - b. Governing Board Members
 - i. The next regular meeting will be Tuesday, April 9, 2024 at 6:00PM.

B. Reports:

The District Leadership Team, Mrs. Ward, Mrs. Wheeler, Ms. DuFresne and Ms. Womack reported on the District’s Facilities and Grounds planning. They are working on contracting with outside companies while continuing the use of our current maintenance and custodial staff.

7. Public Comments:

None to Report.

8. Action Items:

A. Jim Andrus made the motion to approve the Consent Agenda. The motion was seconded by Lincoln Thomasson. The vote to approve the Consent Agenda was unanimous.

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| Jackie Harshman | Lincoln Thomasson | Jim Andrus | Susi Edgington | Carlos Ramos |
| Aye | Aye | Aye | Aye | Aye |

B. Specific Items of District Business which require action

i. Memorandum of Understanding between the Beaver Creek Preservation and Historical Society and Beaver Creek School District.

Mrs. Ward spoke on the historical information with the current verbal agreement from 2014. With changes in leadership happening it felt like the time to create a written document that benefits both parties.

Lincoln Thomasson motioned to approve the Memorandum of Understanding between the Beaver Creek Preservation and Historical Society and Beaver Creek School District. The motion was seconded by Jim Andrus and the vote was unanimous.

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| Jackie Harshman | Lincoln Thomasson | Jim Andrus | Susi Edgington | Carlos Ramos |
| Aye | Aye | Aye | Aye | Aye |

ii. Review Chapter 4 of the TRUST Model Policies.

Superintendent Ward reviewed the sections based on her notes presented to the Governing Board. No action is needed at this time.

iii. Present Chapter 5 of the TRUST Model Policies.

Further discussion will take place at the April 9, 2024 meeting. No action is needed at this time.

iv. Student Summer Intervention Plan for June 2024.

Principal Wheeler spoke on the historical connection with Yavapai College for kids and explained that with Catapult our staff would be trained in Math and Reading and be able to provide our students with onsite interventions. The cost is over \$10,000, the district team is requesting the approval of the expenditure (\$18,477). This is a new approach and will be funded through ESSER III and Indian Gaming Set Aside Funds.

Jim Andrus motioned to approve the Student Summer Intervention Plan for June 2024 to a cost all inclusively of \$18,477 as presented. The motion was seconded by Lincoln Thomasson and the vote was unanimous.

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| Jackie Harshman | Lincoln Thomasson | Jim Andrus | Susi Edgington | Carlos Ramos |
| Aye | Aye | Aye | Aye | Aye |

v. Installment of the Preschool Playground Equipment.

The installment contract is 1GPA and will be funded from the DES Stabilization Grant that was extended through June 2024. Business Manager Womack explained how the district was granted an extension on the original DES grant and now that construction is complete in the playground install can start.

Jackie Harshman motioned to approve the installment of the preschool playground equipment. The motion was seconded by Jim Andrus and the vote was unanimous.

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| Jackie Harshman | Lincoln Thomasson | Jim Andrus | Susi Edgington | Carlos Ramos |
| Aye | Aye | Aye | Aye | Aye |

vi. Field Trips

Lincoln Thomasson motioned to approve the following field trips based on the policy IJOA Field Trips referring to more than 60 miles and overnight stays:

- (a) Diamond Back Stadium STEM Day - 7th Grade
- (b) 8th Grade Reward Trip sponsored by the PTO to Sunsplash on May 16, 2024.

The motion was seconded by Jim Andrus and the vote was unanimous.

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| Jackie Harshman | Lincoln Thomasson | Jim Andrus | Susi Edgington | Carlos Ramos |
| Aye | Aye | Aye | Aye | Aye |

vii. Health Insurance Benefit with KAIROS for the 2024-2025 year.

Due to a three year average of 155% loss ratio, the district received a 12% increase. The district has reviewed and is recommending the district contribution increase from \$615/mo to \$650/mo at an estimated budgetary increase of \$13,440 for the year.

Jim Andrus motioned to approve the health insurance benefit with KAIROS for the 2024-2025 with a district contribution of \$650/mo per employee. The motion was seconded by Lincoln Thomasson and the vote was unanimous.

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| Jackie Harshman | Lincoln Thomasson | Jim Andrus | Susi Edgington | Carlos Ramos |
| Aye | Aye | Aye | Aye | Aye |

viii. Personnel Action:

(a) Lincoln Thomasson motioned to approve the following personnel items:

- (a) Request to hire Pending Fingerprint clearance and background checks:
 - (i) Michael Wilson – Maintenance/Custodial
 - (ii) Iridiana Chavarria – A-Team Rate for Coaching as presented in packet.
- (b) Request to approve Categorized Rate of Pay schedule for 2024 adding AYSO Trained and Certified Referees for \$45 per game.
- (c) Request to approve the contracts for the certified teaching staff for FY 25 with a one-time stipend of \$1000. As traditional protocol, the district offers the teachers’ contracts before the legislature and Governor approve a Budget. When a budget is approved, additional salary rates will be requested to be approved by the Governing Board. Included in this recommendation is to have Teaching Staff receive a one-time prorated \$1000 throughout the 2024-2025 year from the Indian Gaming Fund set-aside for teacher compensation.

The motion was seconded by Jackie Harshman and the vote was unanimous.

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| Jackie Harshman | Lincoln Thomasson | Jim Andrus | Susi Edgington | Carlos Ramos |
| Aye | Aye | Aye | Aye | Aye |

9. Information Items:

- Questions from the report of March 12, 2024

- Jackie Harshman – Commented “Beautiful”
- Susi Edgington asked if this was cleaning and landscape work that would take away from our current staff. No, this is to help them as our staffing has decreased over the years.
- Jim Andrus asked where we post for our positions that are needing filled. The district uses Indeed, AZ Job Connection, our website, the local e-news and bulletin posting locations.
 - Discussion of goal setting ideas for the 2024-2025 School year- Mrs. Wheeler and Mrs. Ward Possible Community Café.
- The services will cost \$5,000 but would include a year of training and coaching to build goals and increase community engagement. Mrs. Ward will bring more information next month.
 - The Auditor General’s Dollars in the Classroom Annual Report for FY 23
- Mrs. Ward and Ms. Womack reviewed the information presented for FY23.
 - Discussion of the music programs in a historical context- Mrs. Wheeler and Mrs. Ward
- Mrs. Ward and Mrs. Wheeler presented historical knowledge on the music program. Unfortunately, staffing this position has proven difficult over the years. Classes do their own music for concerts throughout the year. We currently offer Art to all grades and are seeing great success.
 - Congratulations to Beaver Creek School Food Service for receiving Yavapai County’s Golden Plate Award for 2023!
 - SFB Update for ongoing projects- Ms. DuFresne
 - Water Filtration System Timeline – no bids were given we are working on other options
 - Fire Alarm System – drawings are complete no further updates
 - Phone and Intercom updates – Phones are in and we are awaiting install of the intercoms this week.
 - Signatures Finalized:
 - Terms and Conditions for:
 - Fire Alarm Repairs 200 Building
 - YCESA Nursing Services- County nursing services costs have increased this year. The district agreed to 10 days at \$200 day for FY 25.
 - ERATE- The bids are for Power supply replacement and Fortinet license. If approved the district will pay between 20% and 30% of the cost. This would be brought back with the FY 25 budget.
 - Keepers- Janitorial Cleaning proposal through May for \$8118.75 including cleaning supplies

10. Request for future Agenda items:

None to Report

11. Susi Edgington made the motion to adjourn the meeting. The motion was seconded by Lincoln Thomasson. The meeting was adjourned at 8:06 PM with a unanimous vote.

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| Jackie Harshman | Lincoln Thomasson | Jim Andrus | Susi Edgington | Carlos Ramos |
| Aye | Aye | Aye | Aye | Aye |

Respectfully submitted,

Ori Womack

Jackie Harshman

Lincoln Thomasson

Jim Andrus

Susi Edgington

Carlos Ramos