

Blissfield Community Schools

2024-2025

Regular Meeting

January 20, 2025

A Regular Meeting of the Board of Education of the Blissfield Community School District was held Monday, January 20, 2025 at 7:00 pm in the High School Media Center. Board President, Brewer called the meeting to order. Members present: Craig Bettis, David Brewer, Andrew Borchardt, Vicki Lombard, Denise Mallory and Terence Weigand. Absent Member: Jennifer Stutzman. Others present: Superintendent Riley, District Executive Assistant Kayla Graf and members of the public.

It was moved by Lombard and supported by Bettis to approve the Regular Meeting Agenda.

Approval of Agenda

Motion Carried.

It was moved by Borchardt and supported by Mallory to approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting held on December 16, 2024.

Approval of Meeting Minutes

Motion Carried.

Student Council President Chloe King provided an update on recent and upcoming student council activities at BHS which included the following: Student council is in the planning stages for teacher appreciation week, the annual dodgeball/cupcake wars event and the spring blood drive. The Thespian Society is currently focused on preparations for the spring musical. One student will be competing at the HOSA state competition. The robotics team is actively designing their bot for their first competition. FFA members are involved in fostering 2 baby goats. Esports has two full teams engaging in competitions.

Student Council Update

The Board recognized Billie Clark as the “District Employee of the Month” for her outstanding efforts and continual service to Blissfield Community Schools.

Educational Highlights

In recognition of School Board Appreciation Month, the BCS school board was gratefully acknowledged for their consistent commitment to the district.

School Board Appreciation

Food Service Director, Amy Gschwind provided an update on the food service program at BCS. Student participation in school meals remains strong. Serving the Elementary School continues to present the most logistical challenges. All school cafeterias have been equipped with significant upgrades to their infrastructure. Middle and High School students now have access to a more diverse selection of meal choices. All meal programs adhere strictly to all applicable nutritional guidelines.

Food Service Update

It was moved by Bettis and supported by Borchardt to accept the resignation of Sarah Duval from her position as elementary office aide.

Personnel

Motion Carried.

It was moved by Bettis and supported by Borchardt to approve the payment of the General Fund bills in the amount of \$1,253,822.65.

Payments of Invoices

Motion Carried.

It was moved by Lombard and supported by Mallory to approve the overnight trip for 8th grade camp. Eighth grade students will participate in a three-day camp experience at the Pioneer Scout Reservation in Pioneer, OH.

Proposal for 8th grade camp

Motion Carried.

The Building & Ground Committee will meet on January 21st to discuss phase III of the bond. The Policy Committee will have a meeting in the upcoming weeks to discuss Thrun updates.

Committee Reports

None

Comments from Audience

Superintendent Riley shared that BCS will be closed January 21st & 22nd due to anticipated extreme wind chill conditions. He expressed the safety of the students remains the top priority.

Superintendent's Report

It was moved by Borchardt and supported by Mallory to adjourn the meeting at 7:21 pm.

Adjournment

Motion Carried

Secretary