

Bismarck School District
Regular Board Meeting
Monday, March 14, 2022
5:00 p.m.-Administrative Building

A regular board meeting of the Bismarck School Board was held on Monday, March 14, 2022, in the Administrative Building.

A quorum of the board members was verified and the meeting was called to order by Brett Ausley at 5:03 p.m. Magen Allen and Brian Hinds were absent.

Melissa Morrison led the prayer.

Nathan Hughes made the motion to accept the business portion of the agenda and Melissa Morrison seconded. Motion carried 3-0 at 5:04 pm.

In the “Something to Roar About,” Mrs. Kissire presented the following:

- Local UCA President’s List and Locals named to UCA Dean’s List. (Southern Standard)
- Bismarck FFA visits Greenhand. (MDR)
- Bismarck Elementary enjoys field trip thanks to Teeter Motor Company. (MDR)
- In-County Rivalry 7-3A conference Hoops. (MDR)
- Collie reaches the 1,000th milestone career points mark. (MDR)
- Lions roar to consecutive conference home wins against Harmony Grove, Prescott at Holt Gymnasium. (MDR)
- PROGRESS: Bismarck School District. (MDR)
- 1-0: Lions, Lady Lions roar to season opener wins. (MDR)
- Smith’s home run with Schultz spark at the plate leads to sizzlin start for Lions. (MDR)
- Bismarck Lions 2-0, throttle Jessieville in first road performance. (MDR)
- Teeter sponsors B.E.S. field trip. (MDR)
- Lions cruise past Bears. (MDR)
- Congratulations to Ember Hughes, Kelsi Davis, Christian Leon, and Gavin Urban for placing in the track meet on March 10th. (email)
- Congratulations to Michelle Porter and Amy Tarlton. They will be representing BSD at the 2022 Governor’s School this summer in the Natural Science field. (email)
- Congratulations to the quiz bowl team for placing 3rd at the Ouachita Invitational on March 4th. (email)
- Congratulations to the Quiz Bowl for placing 3rd @ the Regional Tournament.
- Thursday will be a “Day of Service” for FHA, FBLA, and FCCLA members.

Mrs. Cindy, PPC President, Bubulka gave the board information on the sick leave bank and the sick leave bank policy.

Mrs. Kissire made the following recommendations:

- I would like to recommend you adopt the policy update to 3.9. Licensed Personnel Sick Leave Bank as presented. Melissa Morrison made the motion to approve and Nathan Hughes seconded. Motion passed 3-0 at 5:23 pm.
- I would like to recommend we purchase 300 Acer chromebooks from CDWg for \$74,700. The lowest bid. Melissa Morrison made the motion to approve and Nathan Hughes seconded. Motion passed 3-0 at 5:25 pm.
- I would like to recommend you approve the E-rate Bid as presented. Nathan Hughes made the motion to approve and Melissa Morrison seconded. Motion passed 3-0 at 5:38 pm.
- I would like to recommend you accept the 2022/2023 Revised Licensed Salary Schedule as presented. Nathan Hughes made the motion to accept and Melissa Morrison seconded. Motion passed 3-0 at 5:53 pm.
- I would like to recommend you adopt the Revised 2022/2023 Calendar as presented. Melissa Morrison made the motion to adopt and Nathan Hughes seconded. Motion passed 3-0 at 6:00 pm

The board went into executive session at 6:01 pm.

The board returned to regular session at 6:32 pm.

- I would like to recommend removing wrestling beginning with the 2022/2023 school year and adopt the revised licensed salary schedule as presented. Melissa Morrison made the motion to approve and Nathan Hughes seconded. Motion passed 3-0 at 5:39 pm.
- I would like to recommend the purchase of one 77 passenger bus and one special needs bus utilizing ARP ESSER funds and based on the lowest bid from Rush Trucking. DESE approval has been granted. Nathan Hughes made the motion to approve and Melissa Morrison seconded. Motion was passed 3-0 at 6:41 pm.

Mrs. Kissire made the following recommendations in personnel:

- I would like to recommend that we renew the contracts of the licensed staff members for the 2022-2023 school year as presented. I would also like to recommend that we re-hire Cecilia Gonzalez, cook, and Sharon Sheets, custodian, effective March 15, 2022. I would also like to recommend you accept the resignation of Jeff Smith, custodian, effective March 4, 2022, Jeremy Garrett and Amy Chambers, teacher, effective June 30, 2022, the retirement of Mike Griffith, bus driver, and Larry Newsom, Sr., bus driver, effective June 30, 2022. Also, hire Amy Chambers, teacher for FACS, effective July 1, 2022. Nathan

Hughes made the motion to approve and Melissa Morrison seconded. Motion passed 3-0 at 6:36 pm.

- I would like to recommend you approve the termination of Stephanie Bennett effective February 26, 2022. Nathan Hughes made the motion to accept and Melissa Morrison seconded. Motion passed 3-0 at 6:37 pm.
- I would like to recommend you approve the resignation of Ellen Coleman, Principal, pending being hired at Ouachita School District. Melissa Morrison made the motion to approve and Nathan Hughes seconded. Motion passed 3-0 at 7:08 pm.

The administration gave a brief report on their PLC/Guiding coalition for their building.

In the Superintendent's Report, Mrs. Kissire stated:

- We will be looking into changing the threshold for mandatory mask wearing from 75 to 35 positive cases going forward.
- Next board meeting: April 18, 2022 @ 5:00 pm.

Nathan Hughes made the motion to adjourn and Melissa Morrison seconded. Motion passed 3-0 at 7:10 p.m.

President

Secretary

Date