

Bismarck School District
Regular Board Meeting
Monday, August 8, 2022
5:00 p.m.-Administrative Building

A regular board meeting of the Bismarck School Board was held on Monday, August 8, 2022, in the Administrative Building.

A quorum of the board members was verified and the meeting was called to order by Magen Allen at 5:00 p.m. Garry Burroughs was absent.

Melissa Morrison led the prayer.

Brian Hinds made the motion to accept the business portion of the agenda and Melissa Morrison seconded. Motion carried 4-0 at 5:02 pm.

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

- Area cheer squads Magnet Cove, Bismarck, Glen Rose showcase spirit at 2022 UCA Camp in Hot Springs. (MDR)
- BHS cheerleaders receive cheer honors at UCA Camp. (MDR)
- Retired teachers: Durenda Hardage, Lisa Gibson, Janet Toland, Michael Copeland, Ed Poe, Mike Griffith, and Larry Newson, Sr. (MDR)
- Presenting the...Unsung Heroes of Sports. The coach’s wife...means more than a title. (MDR)
- Enhancing skills on the hardwood. (MDR)
- Local’s make SAU President’s and Dean’s List. (MDR)
- Poyen, Magnet Cove, Bismarck set to face in shootout tourney. (MDR)
- Smith, Efird, Schultz receive postseason honors for 2022. (MDR)
- Lions wrapping up spring practice with competitive scrimmage. (MDR)
- Lady Lions clinch No. 3 seed for state, win third place at regional tournament. (MDR)
- Lady Lions top Rison to qualify for state tournament. State Bound!! (MDR)
- Way to go, Seniors!! Bismarck High School. (MDR)
- Brown looks ahead to productive future for Lions baseball. (MDR)
- Standout trickster Ember Hughes inks NLI at Hendrix University. (MDR)
- Signing day at Bismarck. (MDR)

Mrs. Kissire made the following recommendations:

- I would like to recommend you approve the contract disclosures for Megan Allen, Brittney Denton, Summer Calhoun, and Susan Wesson as presented. Melissa Morrison made the motion to accept and Brian Hinds seconded. Motion passed 3-0 at 5:10 pm. Magen Allen recused herself.
- I would like to recommend you adopt the ASBA Policy Updates as presented. Brian Hinds made the motion to adopt and Nathan Hughes seconded. Motion passed 4-0 at 5:13 pm.
- Mrs. Kissire presented the Annual Bullying Report to the Board for 2021/2022 since there was no summer board meeting. I would like to recommend you approve the Annual Bullying Report as presented. Melissa Morrison made the motion to accept and Nathan Hughes seconded. Motion passed 4-0 at 5:14 pm.
- I would like to recommend you approve the ESS pay increase for Subs/Gate workers as presented. Brian Hinds made the motion to approve and Melissa Morrison seconded. Motion passed 4-0 at 5:17 pm.

Mrs. Kissire made the following recommendations in personnel:

- I would like to recommend you approve the contract addendums of: Bryan Lee, Jeff Flowers, Terri Mills, Kim Willis, Andrew Logan, James Brown and Miguel Del Toro. I would also like to recommend you accept the resignation of Cheryl Hilser, paraprofessional, Joanna Williams, nurse and rescind the May employment offer to Madeline Lemings and the resignation of Rebecca McElhannon, teacher. Melissa Morrison made the motion to accept and Nathan Hughes seconded. Motion passed 4-0 at 5:25 pm.
- I would like to recommend you approve the hiring of Ashton Tow, paraprofessional as presented. Carrie Turner will be providing Read-180 Reading Interventionist services through ESS, paid with ESSER funds for 2022/2023. Melissa Morrison made the motion to approve and Nathan Hughes seconded. Motion passed 4-0 at 5:25 pm.
- I would like to recommend you accept the DESE SRO MOU as presented. Nathan Hughes made the motion to accept and Melissa Morrison seconded. Motion passed 4-0 at 5:28 pm.
- I would like to recommend you approve the DESE Teacher & Administrator Recruitment and Retention Plan as presented. Brian Hinds made the motion to approve and Nathan Hughes seconded. Motion passed 4-0 at 5:33 pm.

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

- According to the State, COVID is to be treated like any other illness. Isolate for 5 days if positive. No quarantines.
- From the Office for Educational Policy, the Freshmen Success Analysis shows that Bismarck is above average. All other students in the district are also above average. We are out scoring the State in all areas.
- A big thank you to Nabholtz for getting the outdoor classroom finished!
- Nabholtz is also finishing up installing all the new outer doors as they receive them. They plan to be finished soon.
- We did a safety walkthrough with Office Lingo and our new SRO, Cody Hood, along with the other safety & law enforcement officials.
- The June storm did considerable damage around campus. The press box was destroyed along with the home side bleachers.
- A plan is being worked on this week to tear it all down and clean up the site.
- New bleachers are looking to cost upwards of \$500 to \$700K.
- Local musician, Cody Davis, has volunteered to put on a benefit concert to raise money for new bleachers and press box, with 100% of the proceeds going to the school.
- Open house will be this week. Pre-K and Kindergarten will be Tuesday, August 9th and 1st – 12th will be Thursday, August 11th.
- August 16th will be the first day of school.
- Next board meeting will be: September 27, 2022 @ 5:00 pm.

_____ made the motion to adjourn and _____
seconded. Motion passed 5-0 at _____ p.m.

President

Secretary

Date