

## Regular School Board Meeting November 17, 2022

The regular meeting of the Board of Education of Independent School District No. 32 was held on Thursday, November 17, 2022, at 6:00 p.m. in the High School Commons/Health Room.

Members present: Brian Merrill, Jacob Lien, Cynthia Nord, Grant Mystic, Kurt Gross and Superintendent Lundin.

Members absent: Rachel Larson

I. The meeting was called to order by Cynthia Nord at 6:00 p.m.

II. Motion was made by G. Mystic, seconded by B. Merrill to add items: 11 accept staff resignation, item 12 consider hiring softball coach and item 13 consider hiring Half-time robotics coach to items for individual action. Motion Carried unanimously.

III. Chairperson's Announcements

A. Good Things Happening

1. Once again, Blackduck School applied for, and was awarded, an \$800.00 grant through BASC to promote school attendance. In the elementary, we are planning to hold a competition between grade sections with the section with the highest percentage of attendance from 2nd to 3rd quarter winning a popcorn party. Two creative students in the school will have the opportunity to win a television. Students will be asked to submit either a poster or video promoting school attendance to be eligible to win a television.
2. The Scholastic Book Fair sold over \$10,000 which is an all-time record and equates to roughly \$5,000 in scholastic dollars. We get new books in the library with that money as well as help fill teacher wish lists. We had donations from Dwight Kalvig, Jackie Barkley, Shelly Gross, and Kelly Hanks.
3. Family Fun Night was another successful night for elementary students and their families. Over 450 people attended the family friendly event at Blackduck High School on October 28th. The event was organized by the Elementary Fitness Fund Committee that includes parent volunteers and elementary staff. The event raised over \$3,000. The money will be used for physical education equipment, bowling field trips, Gym Bin field trips, and roller- skating fees. We would like to thank all the volunteers and businesses that made this event possible. Sponsors include: Northwoods Lumber, Blackduck Dental, Timberline, NAPA Auto Parts, Pour Willies, Bogarts, Blackduck Floral, Don & Mary

Ferdig, Blackduck Chiropractic, Dunbar Creek Bait, Max Mini Store, Andy Michalek Logging, Scenic Autobody, MN Activewear, Hoot N Holler, Leever's Family Foods, Northern Rides, and Northdale Oil.

4. The football team concluded the regular season with a 6-2 record and the second most total yards gained in the conference. This year we had several players at or near the top of the stat leaderboards for our conference, including Evan Bilinski who broke the conference record for passing yards in a season, 1,500 yards, which stood since 2013. We had a fun regular season and a nice playoff run so far, getting into the section championship game. Thank you to all the school and community members for supporting our team this season! Go Drakes!
5. The Veteran's Day Concert was held Friday, Nov. 11th at 7 p.m. with the Sr. High Band and Choir performing. The Jr. High Band and Choir Concert will be on Thursday, Nov. 17<sup>th</sup> at 7 p.m.
6. Dick & Diane Mckean want to tell the school board that they had the privilege to cook pizzas for the Family Fun event held at the school on Friday, October 28<sup>th</sup>. They stated that the Blackduck Elementary Staff (teachers and para professionals) gave an entire evening to provide our students and families with a fun and safe event. 450 people enjoyed games, a meal and prizes donated by area businesses. They would like to compliment and thank our Blackduck Elementary Staff for their time, hard work and dedication to our school. It was a successful event through their efforts.

B. Open Comments from General Participation -none

#### IV Meeting Agenda

##### A. Consent Agenda

1. Approval of Minutes
2. Approve Treasurer's Report
3. Approve October bills
4. Consider approving donations.

Motion was made by G. Mistic, seconded by J. Lien to approve the consent agenda items. Motion approved unanimously.

##### B. Items for Individual Action

1. Motion was made by B. Merrill, seconded by K. Gross to accept Brady Johnson's resignation as Jr. High Baseball Coach effective immediately. Motion approved unanimously.
2. Motion was made by B. Merrill, seconded by G. Mistic to hire Kaydre Gullette as Half-Time Assistant Speech Coach effective with the 2022/23 season. Level II, Year 1, \$1,597.50. Motion approved unanimously.
3. Motion was made by B. Merrill, seconded by K. Gross to hire Allesha Dobmeier as a Full-Time Night Custodian effective October 18, 2022. Step 1, \$17.23 per hour. Motion approved unanimously.
4. Motion was made by B. Merrill, seconded by K. Gross to accept the quote from Equipment Services, Inc. for a hoist for the bus garage. Price not to exceed \$30,000. Motion approved unanimously.
5. Motion was made by G. Mistic, seconded by B. Merrill to canvass the results of the November 8, 2022, election. Roll call vote: J. Lien-Yes, G. Mistic-Yes, C. Nord-Yes, B. Merrill-Yes and K. Gross-Yes. Motion passed 5-0.
6. Motion was made by J. Lien, seconded by B. Merrill to approve the updated Academic Eligibility Policy/Procedure. Motion approved unanimously.
7. Motion was made by B. Merrill, seconded by J. Lien to accept the bid from Bessler-Wiebolt for the electric on the 2022/23 Building Trades Home. Motion approved unanimously.
8. Motion was made by B. Merrill, seconded by K. Gross to accept the bid from Baggenstoss Plumbing for the plumbing on the 2022/23 Building Trades Home. Motion approved unanimously.
9. Motion was made by B. Merrill, seconded by G. Mistic to approve a request for child-care leave from an elementary teacher. Motion approved unanimously.
10. Motion was made by G. Mistic, seconded by J. Lien to approve the summary of conclusions of the closed session for the 2022/2023 Superintendent Evaluation were: successful evaluation with no major concerns. Motion approved unanimously.
11. Motion was made by G. Mistic, seconded by K. Gross to accept Melissa Mistic's resignation effective November 23, 2022. Roll call Vote: J.

Lien-Yes, G. Mystic-Yes, C. Nord-Yes, B. Merrill-Abstain and K. Gross-Yes. Motion passed 4-0.

12. Motion was made by B. Merrill, seconded by G. Mystic to hire Destinee Benson as Jr. High Girls Softball Coach for the 2022/23 season. Level IV, Year 1 \$1,935. Motion approved unanimously.

13. Motion was made by B. Merrill, seconded by J. Lien to hire Nathan Bessler as Half-Time asst. Robotics Coach for the 2022/23 season. Level IV, Year 2 \$967.50. Motion approved unanimously.

#### C. Items for Discussion

1. Continuing discussion on Trophy Cases were discussed. No action taken.
2. School Logo was discussed. No action taken.

#### V. Reports

- A. Principal Report provided by Sue Frank
- B. Enrollment Reports
- C. Superintendent's Report provided by Mark Lundin

#### VI. Communications

#### VII. Future Meetings

- A. Our next Board Meeting is on the 12<sup>th</sup> of December.
- B. Truth in Taxation Meeting, December 12, 2022, at 6:30 p.m.
- C. 2023 MSBA Leadership Conference, January 12, 13, 2023, at the Mpls. Convention Center. In person event this year.

VIII. Motion was made by G. Mystic, seconded by B. Merrill to adjourn the meeting at 6:41 p.m. Motion approved unanimously.

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Chairperson

Date

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Clerk

Date