

**School Board Regular Meeting Minutes  
Barnum Public Schools ISD 91  
March 17, 2020**

**The meeting was called to order at 6:30 p.m.**

**Members Present:** P. Coughlin, C. Fetters, J. Fuglestad, T. Peterson, P. Poirier, J. Unkelhaeuser and Superintendent M. McNulty

**Members Absent:** Beth Schatz

**Approval of Agenda:**

**Motion** by Poirier, **seconded** by Fuglestad, and **unanimously carried** to approve the agenda with the following change:

- Under Consent Agenda add “Approve the termination of Bob Tranholt, Bus Driver, effective February 12, 2020.

**Approval of Minutes:**

**Motion** by Poirier, **seconded** by Peterson and **unanimously carried** to approve the Regular Meeting Minutes of the School Board, February 18, 2020.

**Chairperson’s Announcements:**

**A. Good Things Happening**

1. Congratulations to the Barnum Business Professionals of America team. Five students earned a spot to attend the National BPA Conference this May in Washington DC. In addition to the five advancing to Nationals, 12 other students were recognized on stage for being finalists in their events.
2. Congratulations to those who participated in the Regional History Day competition at UMD. Eight BHS students qualified to move on to the State History Day competition and one received honorable mention.
3. Congratulations to the Bombatrons Robotics team for a great showing at the Lake Superior Competition in Duluth. They finished ranked 24 out of 63 teams. They had many successful matches and their hard work was on display. The team worked hard this year and represented Barnum well.
4. Congratulations to the BHS Math League team on their 6th place finish at the State meet.

**B. Public Participation: None**

**Treasurer’s Report:**

**Motion** by Poirier, **seconded** by Fuglestad and **unanimously carried** to approve the Treasurer’s Report as of February 29, 2020.

**Payment of Bills:**

**Motion** by Coughlin, **seconded** by Poirier and **unanimously carried** to approve the payment of bills in the amount of \$224,969.26 and payroll paid in February in the amount of \$534,002.52 for a total of \$758,971.78.

**Wire Transfer:**

**Motion** by Poirier, **seconded** by Coughlin and **unanimously carried** to approve the wire transfer of funds in the amount of \$716,000.00.

**Superintendent's Report** – Superintendent McNulty was present and gave a verbal update on COVID-19 and how the District is responding to recommendations and directives.

**Consent Agenda:**

**Motion** by Poirier, **seconded** by Coughlin and **unanimously carried** to approve the Consent Agenda as follows:

- A. Approve a Birdie Marketing Golf Card Agreement between Birdie Marketing Inc. and ISD 91 Golf for a student activity golf card fundraiser.
- B. Approve the termination of Bob Tranholt, Bus Driver, effective February 12, 2020.

**Items for Individual Action and Discussion:**

- A. **Motion** by Poirier, **seconded** by Feters and **unanimously carried** to approve the FY21 School Calendar.
- B. **Motion** by Poirier, **seconded** by Fuglestad and **unanimously carried** to approve the revised FY20 budget as recommended by the Finance Committee.
- C. **Motion** by Poirier, **seconded** by Fuglestad and **unanimously carried** to approve the reduction of a 1.0 FTE elementary teacher position for FY21.
- D. **Motion** by Poirier, **seconded** by Peterson and **unanimously carried** to approve the reduction of three elementary lunch / recess supervisor positions for FY21.
- E. **Motion** by Coughlin, **seconded** by Poirier and **unanimously carried** to approve the reduction of a high school detention supervisor position for FY21.
- F. **Motion** by Poirier, **seconded** by Fuglestad and **unanimously carried** to approve the reduction of a high school lunch supervisor position for FY21.
- G. **Motion** by Poirier, **seconded** by Feters and **unanimously carried** to approve the reduction of a .5 FTE Spanish teacher position for FY21.
- H. **Motion** by Poirier, **seconded** by Peterson and **unanimously carried** to approve the reduction of a 1.0 FTE phy-ed teacher position for FY21.

- I. **Motion** by Poirier, **seconded** by Fuglestad and **unanimously carried** to approve the reduction of a .5 FTE custodial position for FY21.
- J. **Motion** by Poirier, **seconded** by Coughlin and **carried** to approve the reduction of a 1.0 FTE clerical position for FY21. Those voting for: Coughlin, Fetters, Fuglestad, Peterson, Poirier. Those voting against: Unkelhaeuser.
- K. **Motion** by Poirier, **seconded** by Coughlin and **failed** to approve the reduction of a .56 FTE music teacher position for FY21. Those voting for: Fetters, Poirier. Those voting against: Coughlin, Fuglestad, Peterson, Unkelhaeuser.
- L. **Motion** by Poirier, **seconded** by Coughlin and **unanimously carried** to approve the reduction of 262 food service hours for FY21.
- M. **Motion** by Poirier, **seconded** by Fuglestad and **unanimously carried** to approve the reduction of a 1.0 FTE math teacher position for FY21.
- N. **Motion** by Poirier, **seconded** by Coughlin and **carried** to approve the reduction of a 1.0 FTE media specialist position for FY21. Those voting for: Coughlin, Fuglestad, Peterson, Poirier, Unkelhaeuser. Those voting against: Fetters.
- O. **Motion** by Poirier, **seconded** by Coughlin and **unanimously carried** to approve the reduction of a .34 FTE science teacher position for FY21.
- P. **Motion** by Poirier, **seconded** by Peterson and **unanimously carried** to approve the reduction of two (2) paraprofessionals for FY21.
- Q. Discussed putting together a focus group to look at the feasibility of a Fall 2020 operating levy. No action was taken.

### **Enrollment Comparison for February 2020**

### **Future Meetings:**

- A. Working Meeting of the School Board, April 7, 2020, 6:30 p.m., Board room
- B. Regular Meeting of the School Board, April 21, 2020, 6:30 p.m., Board room

### **Adjournment:**

**Motion** by Poirier, **seconded** by Fuglestad and **unanimously carried** to approve adjournment of the meeting at 7:10 p.m.



Tim Peterson  
School Board Clerk