

**Regular School Board Meeting Minutes  
Barnum Public Schools ISD 91  
December 21, 2021  
Board Room**

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

**Members Present:** L. Bonneville, P. Coughlin, B. Dinger, S. Ferrin, J. Fuglestad, B. Schatz, Superintendent M. McNulty

**Members Absent:** J. Unkelhaeuser

**Truth in Taxation Meeting**

Dawn Hultgren, Business Manager, reported. The public was encouraged to ask questions relating to the school portion of their property tax statement and/or the School District's budget during this time.

**Approval of Agenda:**

**Motion** by Fuglestad, **seconded** by Schatz, and **unanimously carried** to approve the agenda with the following changes to *Items for Individual Action and Discussion*:

- Relabel Item "G. Superintendent Evaluation" to Item "I. Superintendent Evaluation"
- Add a new Item "G. Consider approval of **Resolution in Support of the Congressional IDEA Full Funding Act Re-introduced on November 16, 2021, H.R. 5984 and S. 3213.**"
- Add a new Item "H. Livestreaming Options for Board Meetings"

**Approval of Minutes**

**Motion** by Ferrin, **seconded** by Dinger, and **unanimously carried** to approve the following meeting minutes:

- Regular School Board Meeting Minutes, November 16, 2021
- Working School Board Meeting Minutes, December 7, 2021
- Special School Board Meeting Minutes, December 7, 2021

**Chairperson's Announcements:**

**A. Good Things Happening**

1. Thank you to Kathy Klejeski, Luann Charboneau, and Kay Graftaas for making and donating face masks for Barnum Elementary.

2. Thank you to everyone who donated toys to Barnum Elementary's 6th annual toy drive to benefit area families who are experiencing hardship this holiday season.
3. Thank you to all those who have supported the Student Council in raising funds for the Blessing Bags that are gifted during the holiday season to local families who have fallen on hard times. The Student Council also helped prepare the bags for distribution.
4. Congratulations to our Industrial Technology program, led by instructor Mr. Bird, for attracting the attention of local TV station KBJR6 who highlighted Barnum's Wood Production class. Students make Adirondack chairs and sell them to the community. While doing that they learn the process required to go from concept to seeing the product go out the door with a happy customer.

**B. Public Participation: None**

**Treasurer's Report:**

**Motion** by Schatz, **seconded** by Fuglestad, and **unanimously carried** to approve the Treasurer's Report as of November 30, 2021.

**Payment of Bills:**

**Motion** by Ferrin, **seconded** by Coughlin, and **unanimously carried** to approve the payment of bills in the amount of \$277,817.90 and payroll paid in November in the amount of \$524,500.81 for a total of \$802,318.71.

**Wire Transfer:**

**Motion** by Coughlin, **seconded** by Dinger, and **unanimously carried** to approve the wire transfer funds of \$685,000.00.

**Superintendent's Report:**

- Jennie DeCaigny, Student Representative, was present and reported.

**Consent Agenda:**

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

- A. Approve the Certified Seniority List.
- B. Approve the Non-Certified Seniority List.
- C. Approve the hire of Alexandra Langhorst, Paraprofessional, effective December 8, 2021.
- D. Approve the hire of Ken McCall, Paraprofessional, effective December 13, 2021.

- E. Approve the Resolution Establishing Combined Polling Places for Multiple Precincts and Designating Hours During Which the Polling Places Will Remain Open for Voting for School District Elections Not Held on the Day of a Statewide Election. There is no change from the previous year.
- F. Approve the July - November 2021 fundraisers.
- G. Approve the \$40 donation in memory of Charles Beberg from Jerome and Karen Knaus for Barnum Track and Field.
- H. Approve a lane change for Nikki Kresky from M.A. to M.A. +20, effective January 28, 2022.

**Items for Individual Action and Discussion:**

- A.–C. **Motion** by Ferrin, **seconded** by Fuglestad, and **unanimously carried** to table the following items until January:
  - A. Consider approving the RESOLUTION STATING THE INTENTION OF THE SCHOOL BOARD TO PROCEED FORWARD WITH CERTAIN PROJECTS.
  - B. Presentation of Pre Sale Report by Ehlers
  - C. Consider approving the RESOLUTION STATING THE INTENTION OF THE SCHOOL BOARD TO ISSUE GENERAL OBLIGATION FACILITIES MAINTENANCE AND TAX ABATEMENT BONDS, SERIES 2022A, IN THE AGGREGATE PRINCIPAL AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$8,320,000; AND TAKING OTHER ACTIONS WITH RESPECT THERETO.
- D. **Motion** by Coughlin, **seconded** by Ferrin, and **unanimously carried** to approve the final 2022 levy in the amount of \$1,006,902.12
- E. Reviewed December 9, 2021 Meet and Confer Meeting Minutes. No action was required.
- F. Discussed the January 4, 2022 organizational and working meetings. It was decided to push them back to January 11, 2022, with the working meeting first followed by the organizational meeting.
- G. **Motion** by Dinger, **seconded** by Fuglestad, and **unanimously carried** to approve the Resolution in Support of the Congressional IDEA Full Funding Act Re-introduced on November 16, 2021, H.R. 5984 and S. 3213.
- H. Discussed options for providing better audio with livestreaming. Will look at holding meetings in the auditorium and using microphones.

- I. **Motion** by Fuglestad, **seconded** by Bonneville, and **unanimously carried** to approve closing the meeting at 7:06 p.m. per MS 13D.05 Subd. 3 to evaluate the Superintendent.

**Motion** by Bonneville, **seconded** by Fuglestad, and **unanimously carried** to re-open the meeting at 8:35 p.m. per MS 13D.05 Subd. 3 following the evaluation.

#### **Enrollment Comparison for November 2021**

#### **Future Meetings:**

- A. Working School Board Meeting, Tuesday, January 11, 2022, 6:00 p.m., Board Room
- B. Reorganizational School Board Meeting, Tuesday, January 11, 2022, following the Working Meeting, Board Room
- C. Regular School Board Meeting, Tuesday, January 18, 2022, 6:30 p.m., Board Room

#### **Adjournment:**

**Motion** by Ferrin, **seconded** by Dinger, and **unanimously carried** to adjourn the meeting at 8:36 p.m.



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Beth Schatz, School Board Clerk