

**Regular School Board Meeting Minutes  
Barnum Public Schools ISD 91  
April 19, 2022  
High School Auditorium**

**The meeting was called to order at 5:01 p.m.**

**Members Present:** L. Bonneville, B. Dinger, S. Ferrin, J. Fuglestad, B. Schatz (arrived 5:09pm), J. Unkelhaeuser, Superintendent M. McNulty

**Members Absent:** P. Coughlin

**Approval of Agenda:**

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

- Under A. Good Things Happening, correct Item 3. to read:
  3. Thank you to the **National Honor Society (NHS)** for hosting another successful blood drive. They exceeded their drive goal of 26 by collecting 34 units, potentially saving 102 lives!
- Add to *Consent Agenda*:
  - G. Approve the Northern Lights Special Education Cooperative Membership Enrollment Renewal Purchase of Service Agreement 2022-2023.
- Pull Item E. from *Consent Agenda* and add to *Items for Individual Action and Discussion* as follow:
  - N. Approve a \$1,000 donation from Environmental Consulting and Testing, Inc. for the Business Professionals of America.
- Under *Items for Individual Action and Discussion*:
  - Replace:
    - J. Consider approving the reduction of a .14 FTE high school science teacher position for FY23.
  - With:
    - J. Consider approving the use of ESSER monies to fund a 1.0 FTE elementary teaching position for FY23.

- And Add:
  - L. Consider approving the FY22 and FY23 Collective Bargaining Agreement between Education Minnesota – Barnum Local #2111 and Independent School District No. 91
  - M. Consider approving the resignation of Nicole Biondich, Elementary Teacher, effective at the end of the 2021-2022 school year.
  - O. Consider approving Youth Baseball concessions at Varsity and American Legion baseball games.

**Chairperson’s Announcements:**

**A. Good Things Happening**

1. Congratulations to the following students on a successful day at the MSHSL Section 7A Art Show - Superior Awards w/certificate and medal: Ella Bednarek-Drawing; Amri Gilbertson (two awards)-Drawing; Calindria Liggett-Painting and Drawing (Best of Show); Matthew Berry-Graphic Design; Excellent Awards w/certificate: Calindria Liggett-Drawing; Gracie Schatz-Painting; Amri Gilbertson-Painting; Matthew Berry-Film Photography; Andy Koriath-Film Photography; Vittoria Russo-Ceramics; Max Moors-Ceramics; Ruby Korpela-Ceramics; Emmalee Osterman-Ceramics; Cayden Grimm-Ceramics; Teacher's Choice Award w/certificate: Kaitlyn Siedlecki-Ceramics
2. Congratulations to the math team on their fine showing at the UWS math meet this month. Calindria Liggett won the geometry competition, Hayden Charboneau and Dylan Wallace were honorable mentions in the geometry competition and Luke Dinger was honorable mention in the elementary functions and algebra competition.
3. Thank you to the National Honor Society (NHS) for hosting another successful blood drive. They exceeded their drive goal of 26 by collecting 34 units, potentially saving 102 lives!
4. Congratulations to the new inductees into the Barnum High School John O. Calverley Chapter of the National Honor Society: Natalie Vargo, Dylan Frank, Olivia Dammer, Lyla Head, Kendra Jurek, Kira DeCaigny, Calindria Liggett, Hayden Charboneau, Annaka Bogenholm, Ella Heaton, Jasmine Akurugo and Hudson Kasberg. These students have demonstrated excellence in scholarship, service, leadership, and character.
5. Elementary school counselor, Nikki Kresky, is back in the classrooms focusing on her school counselor duties after an extended spell of handling school-wide behavior/attendance responsibilities. Her proactive support is seeing a positive impact on students, staff and school climate, and we anticipate office discipline referrals (ODR) will continue to decrease over time.

**B. Public Participation: none**

**Superintendent's Report:** Superintendent McNulty was present and reported.

- Jennie DeCaigny, Student Representative, was not present but submitted a report.

**Consent Agenda:**

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

- A. Approve the following School Board Minutes:
  1. Regular School Board Meeting Minutes, March 15, 2022
  2. Special School Board Meeting Minutes, March 31, 2022
  3. Working School Board Meeting Minutes, April 5, 2022
- B. Approve the Treasurer's Report as of March 31, 2022.
- C. Approve the bills and authorization to pay bills in the amount of \$213,217.20 and payroll paid in March in the amount of \$542,779.97 for a total of \$755,997.17.
- D. Approve wire transfer funds of \$700,000.00.
- E. Approve the resignation of Robert Minkinen, Junior High Baseball Coach, effective March 29, 2022.
- F. Approve the Northern Lights Special Education Cooperative Membership Enrollment Renewal Purchase of Service Agreement 2022-2023.

**Items for Individual Action and Discussion:**

- A. **Motion** by Dinger, **seconded** by Fuglestad, and **unanimously carried** to approve moving the June School Board Regular Meeting from Tuesday, June 21, 2022, to Tuesday, June 14, 2022.
- B. Considered School Board Policy 103 and form. This is the second of three readings of the policy and no Board action was required.
- C. An update was given on the Elementary Principal hiring process.
- D. **Motion** by Schatz, **seconded** by Ferrin, and **unanimously carried** to approve the Shared Services Agreement between Barnum School District and Willow River School District for Superintendent services.
- E. **Motion** by Fuglestad, **seconded** by Bonneville to approve a staff retention bonus for all staff. This bonus would be paid out in two payments, \$500 in FY22 and \$500 in FY23, as recommended by the Finance Committee.

**Amended motion** by Ferrin, **seconded** by Dinger, and **unanimously carried** to approve a one-time \$1,000 retention bonus for all staff paid in FY22. The bonus will be prorated for staff working less than 40 hours per week.

- F. **Motion** by Fuglestad, **seconded** by Schatz, and **unanimously carried** to approve the reduction of a .55 FTE Spanish teacher position for FY23.
- G. **Motion** by Fuglestad, **seconded** by Unkelhaeuser, and **unanimously carried** to approve the reduction of a 1.0 FTE phy-ed teacher position for FY23.
- H. **Motion** by Fuglestad, **seconded** by Bonneville, and **unanimously carried** to approve the reduction of a .45 FTE high school math teacher position for FY23.
- I. **Motion** by Fuglestad, **seconded** by Unkelhaeuser, and **unanimously carried** to approve the reduction of a .30 FTE high school social studies teacher position for FY23.
- J. **Motion** by Ferrin, **seconded** by Dinger, and **carried** to approve the use of ESSER monies to fund a 1.0 FTE elementary teaching position for FY23. Abstained: Fuglestad.
- K. **Motion** by Bonneville, **seconded** by Schatz, and **unanimously carried** to approve a one-year leave of absence for Ann Finifrock, Special Education Teacher, for FY23.
- L. **Motion** by Fuglestad, **seconded** by Schatz, and **unanimously carried** to the FY22 and FY23 Collective Bargaining Agreement between Education Minnesota – Barnum Local #2111 and Independent School District No. 91.
- M. **Motion** by Ferrin, **seconded** by Schatz, and **unanimously carried** to approve the resignation of Nicole Biondich, Elementary Teacher, effective at the end of the 2021-2022 school year.
- N. **Motion** by Ferrin, **seconded** by Fuglestad, and **unanimously carried** to approve a \$1,000 donation from Environmental Consulting and Testing, Inc. for the Business Professionals of America.
- O. **Motion** by Dinger, **seconded** by Schatz, and **unanimously carried** to approve youth baseball concessions at varsity and American Legion baseball games.

**Enrollment Comparison for March 2022**

**Future Meetings:**

- A. Working School Board Meeting, Tuesday, May 3, 2022, 6:30 p.m., High School Auditorium
- B. BLT Meeting, Monday, May 9, 2022, 3:30 p.m., High School Board Room

**Adjournment:**

**Motion** by Fuglestad, **seconded** by Bonneville, and **unanimously carried** to adjourn the meeting at 5:57 p.m.

  
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 Beth Schatz, School Board Clerk