

**School Board Meeting Agenda
Independent School District No. 91
Barnum, Minnesota
Monday, December 18, 2023
6:30 p.m. – High School Auditorium**

I. Call to Order

II. Pledge of Allegiance

III. Role Call

IV. Truth in Taxation Hearing [Presentation](#) - Laura Carlson, Business Manager

The public is encouraged to ask questions relating to the school portion of their property tax statement and/or the School District's budget during this time.

V. Comments & Requests from Visitors

The following rules apply to all comments made during this portion of the meeting:

- Three (3) minutes per person – 15 minutes maximum.
- Complaints about personnel or individuals are not allowed.
- No Board action is to be taken at this time.
- This is the only time during the meeting that audience participation will be allowed unless scheduled in advance.

VI. Approval of Agenda

VII. Chairperson's Announcements

- A. Students working on the 2023-2024 yearbook earned a \$50 gift card to Dominos Pizza for turning in the highest percentage of their outstanding yearbook pages! Reagen W., Kendra J., Riata K., and Mrs. Nordstrom will be using the gift card to celebrate at an upcoming work session as they continue working to finish the yearbook. Yearbooks are only available to purchase on the school website and the cost will increase again at the end of January.
- B. After requesting that BHS try to do more for teen mental health, a senior has taken on the task of creating a peer to peer mental health action group. "Accepting Who We Are" will be a student-led group of senior high students who will start to meet in January to work towards an environment where students feel empowered to talk about mental health and find support in each other as well as the adults in the community. Awareness activities will bring light to conversations about depression, anxiety, self esteem, and more to break down the stigma of mental illness and increase support school wide.

- C. BES 5th graders enjoyed a first time P.E. field trip to Route 61 to try out bowling, a life-long sporting opportunity. The students had a blast and the plan is to make it an annual event.
- D. Bomber Club is going strong. The students enjoy participating in our daily themes: Monday is Math Fun, Tuesday is Game Day, Wednesday is Arts & Crafts, Thursday is Journaling and Friday is Fun Day. We've added five students since the beginning of the year. We currently have two adult staff and would like to have three so we are currently accepting applications.
- E. Although our class offerings are currently limited due to the lack of a coordinator, our annual Holiday Play was a success with over 300 in attendance. We are still offering Karate, Zumba, Walking Club, Women's Open Basketball, Sign Language Club and Yoga. Go to our page on the school website to register and pay:
<https://isd91.org/community-education/>
- F. The high school band held a flashmob performance of a few pep band songs during lunch on Wednesday, Dec. 13. And yes, Taylor Swift was on the playlist.
- G. Reading Corps tutors and Title 1 collectively support over 60 Kindergarten through 3rd grade students at BES. These critical programs meet children where they're at, help to build a myriad of reading skills, and bolster the instruction teachers are teaching in the classroom. We're so grateful for these programs!
- H. Third graders are performing their second Reader's Theater, inviting parents in to watch and listen. Third graders have increased their fluency tremendously and are excited to share it!
- I. Communications Technology Graphic Design students have created some high quality, fictional movie posters that are currently on display in the high school commons area. The follow up assignment will be a concert poster of their favorite band or music genre. Incorporation of methods, tools and techniques learned using Adobe Illustrator and Photoshop training and tutorials will be used. The completed work is printed using the newly acquired Canon Image PROGRAF TA-30 printer for our Graphic Design program at BHS.

VIII. Reports

- A. Student Representative
- B. Elementary Principal
- C. High School Principal
- D. Board Committees
 - Facilities, Activities & Transportation - no Dec. meeting
 - Finance, Personnel & Negotiations - no Dec. meeting
 - Curriculum & Policy - verbal report re: item X. B.
- E. Superintendent

IX. Consent Agenda

- A. Approve the [School Board Meeting Minutes, November 28, 2023](#)
- B. Approve the [Treasurer's Report](#) for November 2023.
- C. Approve the [November 2023 Accounts Payable](#) totaling \$247,999.68.
- D. Approve a maternity leave for Katelynn Gullickson beginning approximately May 1, 2024, through the end of the school year.
- E. Approve the resignation of Shallon Barber, Assistant Cook, effective December 23, 2023.
- F. Approve the hire of Justine Miller, C-Squad Girls Basketball Coach, effective December 4, 2023.
- G. Approve the hire of John Peura, Bus Driver, effective December 7, 2023.
- H. Approve the hire of Lenorah Korpela, Paraprofessional, effective December 11, 2023.
- I. Approve the [Education Minnesota - Barnum Local #2111 Collective Bargaining Agreement](#) for fiscal years 2024 and 2025.
- J. Approve the [FY24 Certified Seniority List](#).

X. Items for Individual Action and Discussion

- A. Consider approving the [Resolution Accepting Donations](#).
- B. Consider approving the following policies as recommended by the Policy Committee:
 - [413-Harassment and Violence](#)
 - [503-Student Attendance](#)
 - [504-Student Dress and Appearance](#)
 - [508-Extended School Year for Certain Students with Individualized Education Programs](#)
 - [510-School Activities](#)
 - [514-Bullying Prohibition Policy](#)
 - [515-Protection and Privacy of Pupil Records](#)
 - [521-Student Disability Nondiscrimination](#)
 - [606.5-Library Materials](#)
- C. Consider approval of the final 2024 levy in the amount of \$1,553,610.99.
- D. Consider approval of the [2022-2023 World's Best Workforce Report](#).

XI. Future Meetings

A. Reorganizational Meeting, Tuesday, January 23, 2024, 5:30 p.m., H.S. Auditorium

B. School Board Meeting, Tuesday, January 23, 2024, 6:30 p.m., H.S. Auditorium

XII. Adjournment