

**School Board Meeting Minutes  
Barnum Public Schools ISD 91  
November 26, 2024  
High School Auditorium**

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

**Pledge of Allegiance**

**Members Present:** B. Anderson, L. Bonneville, B. Dinger, S. Ferrin, D. Hultgren, J. Unkelhaeuser, Student Reps M. Hanson and L. Franek and Superintendent Peel

**Members Absent:** P. Poirier

**Comments & Requests from Visitors:** none

**Approval of Agenda:**

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

- Remove from Items for Individual Action and Discussion:
  - C. Consider approving 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.
- Add to Items for Individual Action and Discussion:
  - C. Consider approving the Read Act Memorandum of Understanding between ISD 91 and Ed-MN Barnum.

**Chairperson's Announcements:**

- A. First graders had a special guest, Retired Chief Petty Officer Mr. Yrjanson, come into class and teach about his 23 years of service in the US Coast Guard. Students learned about the importance of learning through work and travel, and the importance of families who stay home while service members are at work.
- B. The senior class of 2025 would like to thank Carlton V.F.W. Post 2962 for their generous donation of \$250.

- C. The Barnum Adventure Seekers are planning a trip to Italy in June of 2026. Currently, 25 students and parents are signed up to participate! Anyone interested in joining the adventure can contact Mrs. Nordstrom or Ms. Mindy at the High School.
- D. Thank you to Jessica Liimatainen for a donation of woodworking tools valued at \$640 to the Industrial Technology program.
- E. Congratulations to Eli Gilbertson who recently signed on to play baseball at Hamlin University.
- F. Congratulations to the Barnum Volleyball Team for receiving the All State Team Academic Gold Award for having a combined GPA over 3.8. Also, congratulations to seniors Janaya Jurek and Aili Lund, who each earned the Senior All State Academic Award with a cumulative GPA over 3.8 for the course of their entire school career.
- H. November 18-22, 2024 is National Education Week. It was established to generate awareness, curiosity and excitement for learning, while also celebrating the absolutely vital place education holds in our society.

**Reports:**

- A. FY24 Audit Results – berganKDV presented
- B. Student Representatives Mackenzie Hanson and Lucy Franek reported
- C. Community Education Coordinator Ally Washenesky reported
- D. Elementary Principal Andrew Miller reported
- E. High School Principal Jodi Fanth reported
- F. Board Committees
  - Finance Committee reported
  - Policy Committee - policies reviewed in November:
    - 501 School Weapons
    - 502 Search of Student Lockers, Desks, Personal Possessions and Student’s Person
    - 516 Student Medication and Telehealth
    - 605 Alternative Educational Services
    - 606 Textbooks and Instructional Materials
    - 607 Organization of Grade Levels
    - 620 Credit for Learning
- G. Superintendent Bill Peel reported

**Consent Agenda:**

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

- A. Approve the School Board Meeting Minutes, October 22, 2024.
- B. Approve the Special School Board Meeting Minutes, November 14, 2024.
- C. Approve the Treasurer’s Report for October 2024.

- D. Approve the October 2024 Accounts Payable totaling \$807,182.09.
- E. Approve the FY25 Certified Seniority List.
- F. Approve the FY25 Non-Certified Seniority List.
- G. Approve the resignation of Alycia Washenesky, Community Education Coordinator, effective November 30, 2024.
- H. Approve the reassignment of Shawn Bailey from Assistant Robotics Coach to Head Robotics Coach, effective November 1, 2024.
- I. Approve the hire of Jade Hansen, Cheer Coach, effective November 12, 2024.
- J. Approve the hire of Dina Bizzaro, Homebound Instructor, 7 hours per week, effective October 7, 2024.
- K. Approve the hire of Serenity Schoonover, Community Education Coordinator, effective December 1, 2024.
- L. Approve a lane change for Meaghan Bell, Speech-Language Pathologist, from M.A. to M.A. + 20, effective August 26, 2024.
- M. Approve a lane change for Natalie Wark, Speech-Language Pathologist, from M.A. to M.A. +20, effective August 26, 2024.
- N. Approve the contract between ISD 91 and Wolf Ridge Environmental Learning Center for October 2025 for the annual multi-day science field trip for 6th grade.
- O. Approve the contract between ISD 91 and Pro Sound and Light for DJ services for the February 8, 2025, Snowball dance.
- P. Approve the contract between ISD 91 and Pro Sound and Light for DJ services for the May 3, 2025, Prom dance.
- Q. Approve job descriptions:
  - a. Technology Coordinator
  - b. Preschool Teacher
  - c. Preschool Assistant Teacher
  - d. Early Childhood Coordinator
  - e. High School Counselor

**Items for Individual Action and Discussion:**

- A. **Motion** by Ferrin, **seconded** by Dinger, and **unanimously carried** to approve the Resolution Accepting Donations.

- B. **Motion** by Dinger, **seconded** by Ferrin, and **unanimously carried** to approve the Comprehensive Achievement and Civic Readiness Plan, previously known as the World’s Best Work Force.
- C. **Motion** by Bonneville, **seconded** by Dinger, and **unanimously carried** to approve the Read Act Memorandum of Understanding between ISD 91 and Ed-MN Barnum.

**Future Meetings:**

- A. Curriculum and Policy Committee Meeting, Monday, December 16, 2024, 5:00 p.m., High School Boardroom
- B. Truth in Taxation Meeting, Monday, December 16, 2024, 6:30 p.m., at start of School Board Meeting, H.S. Auditorium
- C. School Board Meeting, Monday, December 16, 2024, 6:30 p.m., H.S. Auditorium

**Adjournment:**

**Motion** by Bonneville, **seconded** by Hultgren, and **unanimously carried** to adjourn the meeting at 7:32 p.m.

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Dawn Hultgren, School Board Clerk