

REGULAR MEETING

May 11, 2022

6:10 PM

The regular meeting of the Baker School Board was called to order by Chairperson Johnna Koenig at 6:10pm in the ITV Room of Baker High School. Trustees Klint Flint, Quentin Burdick, Dalon Dyke and Samm Schermele-Varner were in attendance. Also present were Superintendent Aaron Skogen, Principals Rob Nyby and Erin Nevers, Vice-Principal Bo Lingle, District Clerk Jennifer Mettler, Technology Director Scott Anderson, and Head Custodian Mardi Brown. Guests were Bryan Nevers, BreElle Wacker, Maranda Hastig, Emily Palo, Brittany Hoversland, Jay Shumaker, Blake Schwagler, Chris Brawley, Hawken Custer, Holly Custer, Bryant O'Connor, Rory Lingle, Tegan Miller, Guy Lesh, Garrett Lesh, Hallie Flint, Peyton Janeway, Anika Ploeger, Emily Shumaker, Amy Lingle, Josi Hadley, Riley Williams, Riley Davis, Eve Uecker, Mike Griffith, Brandi Griffith, John Geving, Karrol Williams, Kim Lesh.

ACTION ITEMS

BUS ROUTES 2022-23

The board is presented with the bus route for 2022-23. There are no mileage changes this year but bus stops are as follows for each route and the highlighted stops are new this year:

Route No.1			Route No.3		
	AM	PM		AM	PM
Harris	7:12	4:14	DeGrand	7:01	4:24
Miller	7:25	4:00	101 Y/Johnson	7:08	4:14
Selle/Crawford	7:38	3:47	Swyres	7:14	4:12
Huft	7:44	3:42	Webster Corner	7:17	4:07
Kono	7:46	3:40	Sub/Losing	7:30	3:56
Moore	7:48	3:38	Enos	7:32	3:55
			Enos	7:34	3:52
			Bruski	7:38	3:50
Route No.2			Rost	7:41	3:45
	AM	PM	Barkley	7:46	3:40
Stark	7:07	3:46			
Qualley	7:07	3:52			
Lutts	7:15	3:59			
Sander	7:27	4:11			
Brown	7:34	4:18			
Follmer	7:40	4:23			
Bondell	7:44	4:26			
Gaub	7:45	3:45			

Quentin Burdick moved to approve the bus routes for the 2022-23 school year as presented. Klint Flint seconded the motion; motion carried unanimously.

MHSA BASEBALL

Mr. Skogen presented to the board the MSHA Baseball proposal. As of right now, 16 schools have adopted baseball for the 2022-23 school year; Class AA: Belgrade; Class A: Beaverhead County, Browning, Corvallis, Columbia Falls, East Helena, Frenchtown, Hamilton, Polson, Sidney, Stevensville, Whitefish; Class B/C: Columbus, Florence-Carlton, Lincoln County, Thompson Falls. Of those schools listed, the closest competition would be Sidney. Board addresses the public in attendance for their comments on the possibility of adopting Baseball for 2022-23. Discussion followed.

Klint Flint poses the question of why not wait another year? Johnna Koenig also states she would like to see the District wait another year to see what other area schools do with the program so we could develop the program the right way, especially since would need to work with the City on the condition of the field for play.

Discussion followed.

Klint Flint moved to deny the request to offer baseball as an MHSA sanctioned sport for the 2022-23 spring MHSA season. Quentin Burdick seconded the motion; Ayes: Quentin Burdick, Dalon Dyke, Johnna Koenig and Klint Flint; Nays: Samm Schermele-Varner; motion carried.

EXTRACURRICULAR CONTRACTS 2022-23

Mr. Lingle presents to the board the recommendation for extracurricular assignments for the 2022-23 school year.

Coaches						
2021-22	Football	Volleyball	Boys Basketball	Girls Basketball	Wrestling	Track- Boys & Girls
HS- Head Coach	Jay Hoversland	Jessica Boggs			Will Bagley- Co HC	
HS- Assistant	Deryk Van Zee	Sheila O'Connor			Derek Gorder- Co HC	
HS- Assistant	Blake Schwagler				N/A	
HS- Assistant	Bo Lingle	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	
Middle School	Carson Hilliard	DeLayne Robbins				
Middle School	Travis Santistevan	BreElle Wacker			N/A	
5th & 6th	N/A	N/A			N/A	N/A

2021-22	Tennis	Speech & Darna	Band/ Vocal	Golf	Cheerleading	Intramurals
HS- Head Coach		Amanda Leichtnam			Ashley Varner	
HS- Assistant		N/A	JoDee Hess	N/A	N/A	N/A

Advisors					
Class Advisors	Academic Olympics	Concessions	BPA	PALS (No Pay)	Yearbook/ Newspaper
	Dena Kirschten		Scott Anderson	Dena Kirschten	Hillary Frank
	Lynn Beach		Lynn Beach	Jessica Boggs	
	Kallie Benter		Dena Kirschten		
			Student Union		National Honor Society
			Lisa Burdick		Michelle Anderson

FFA & Summer Vo/Ag	Student Council	Spartanettes	FCCLA	Materials Director	Close Up (No Pay)
Abbey Dunn	Alyson Lineback	Brittany Hoversland	Pam Beach	Diane Van Gorden	Brittany Hoversland

Yellow New Hires	Blue Out of District Hires	Green Need to Fill
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At this time it is being recommended to hire the fall coaches and advisors and will continue to work on the other assignments.

Quentin Burdick moved to hire the extracurricular contracts as presented for the 2022-23 school year. Klint Flint seconded the motion; motion carried unanimously.

CLASSIFIED HIRE – PARAPROFESSIONAL

Mr. Skogen presented a recommendation for hire; it is being recommending to hire Mrs Sarah Bartholomew for the 2022-23 school year as a paraprofessional.

Klint Flint moved to hire Mrs. Sarah Bartholomew as a paraprofessional for the 2022-23 school year. Samm Schermele-Varner seconded the motion; motion carried unanimously.

CERTIFIED HIRE(S)

No recommendations at this time; no board action required.

COMPLEX HIRE(S)

Mr. Skogen stated with the resignation of our current complex manager, it is being recommended to hire Macy Varner for the summer as interim manager for the complex until a permanent replacement can be hired and additionally hire Alivia Schultz as a lifeguard to help this summer. Miss Varner’s hours would be 30-40 hours per week along with Miss Schultz working 20-30 hours a week as backup support for the management duties. Both individuals have at least 4 years of work experience with the complex and have bene involved with swim lessons. Miss Varner would be hired at \$19.51/hour and Miss Schultz would be \$16.42/hour; which is in accordance with our classified salary schedule.

Quentin Burdick moved to hire Alivia Schultz as lifeguard for the Baker Recreation Center and further moved to hire Macy Varner as interim Manager. Klint Flint seconded the motion; motion carried unanimously.

MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING (MOU) – BEA

Mr. Skogen presented to the board the MOU with the BEA for the 2022-23 school year. In-service days are built into the calendar every year and two options were presented to the union; first option was a 1 year agreement and second was a 2 year agreement. At this time, the union would like to renew the MOU for 1 year.

Klint Flint moved to the MOU between Baker Public Schools and Baker Education Association as presented and approved by the association. Quentin Burdick seconded the motion; motion carried unanimously.

FOOTBALL COOP – PLEVNA

No board action; the Coop with Plevna is in the 2nd year.

FFA ADVISOR SUMMER CONTRACT

Mr. Skogen presented a summer contract for the VoAg teacher. Miss Abbey Dunn has plans to start working with our FFA kids this summer and her contract doesn’t start until August 1st. It is recommended we offer her a contract for her summer days she plans to attend events and work with our students before her official start date and recommend 10 additional days at her daily rate of pay for the dates of June 1, 2022 – July 31, 2022.

Quentin Burdick moved to offer Miss Abbey Dunn a ten (10) day contract as FFA advisor for June 1, 2022 through July 31, 2022. Klint Flint seconded the motion; motion carried unanimously.

OIL & GAS REVENUE 4TH QUARTER

Mrs. Mettler presented to the board the 4th quarter oil and gas revenue.

1ST QTR 2020		1ST QTR 2021	
AUG-20	\$ 492,124.99	AUG-21	\$ 631,731.35
avg price: \$45.73		avg price: \$58.04	
2ND QTR 2020		2ND QTR 2021	
NOV-2020	\$ 199,446.46	NOV-2021	\$ 689,756.67
avg price: \$28.03		avg price: \$66.17	
SUBTOTAL \$ 691,571.45		SUBTOTAL	
3RD QTR 2020		3RD QTR 2021	
FEB-2021	\$ 380,198.02	FEB-2022	\$ 779,928.55
avg price: \$40.92		avg price: \$70.52	
SUBTOTAL \$ 1,071,769.47		SUBTOTAL	
4TH QTR 2020		4TH QTR 2021	
MAY-2021	\$ 426,153.65	MAY-2022	\$ 841,790.27
avg price: \$42.70		avg price: \$77.10	
FY21 TOTAL \$ 1,497,923.12		FY22 TOTAL \$ 2,943,206.84	

So far this year, \$2,101,416.67 has been deposited into the Flex Fund and as of the end of April the Flex Fund has a cash balance of \$6,36,769.49; we still have some of our biggest spending months ahead – May & June – so allocation has some options this quarter.

1. All in the Flex Fund
2. All in the Building Reserve
3. Split between the Flex Fund and Building Reserve Funds

Discussion followed.

Klint Flint moved to reallocate the oil and gas revenue on or about May 1, 2022 to the Building Reserve Fund in the amount of \$841,790.27, reserving the right to reallocate the future payments when received.

Quentin Burdick seconded the motion; motion carried unanimously.

STUDENT APPEAL FOR CREDIT – EXECUTIVE SESSION

No students appealing for credit; no board action.

SAFE RETURN TO SCHOOLS & CONTINUITY OF SERVICES PLAN

No changes as this time; no board action.

REPORTS

1. COMPLEX

4/20/22 - 5/11/2022

MEMBERSHIPS SOLD:	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May
FAMILY	4	0	1	7	7	2	1	5
INDIVIDUAL	8	17	17	9	8	7	9	17
SENIOR	1	5	4	2	6	3	3	1
KEY FOBS	4	5	4	8	7	5	3	13
LOCKERS	0	0	0	0	2	0	1	0
FACILITY USE:	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May
SWIMMERS	263	345	151	145	245	267	324	202
WEIGHT/CARDIO	395	649	428	521	652	609	632	567

Swim Lessons : June 13-24 (sign-up June 6)
July 11-22 (sign-up July 5)

New guard finished his certification on May 3rd and Macy Varner recertified May 10th

2. MAINTENANCE

Mike Griffith and Gary Theilen did snow removal for us on Sunday afternoon April 24th. TC Shellhamer assisted me at the Lincoln school and did the East parking lot that day. All Custodial staff put in 2-3 hours to shovel out to assist in getting us ready for school on Monday.

Long Technologies was on site at Longfellow to upgrade the circuit boards for the Gym AHU unit. We should now have control over that unit via computer.

I attended a 2 day CPO (certified Pool Operator) course April 28-29 in Mandan ND.

Upon completion of the course and passing the exam I'm now registered and certified for another 5 years.

Longfellow and BHS generators were serviced for the year by TWE with no issues being found.

Longfellow main entry, teachers lounge, work room, restroom and rooms 27,28,and 30 at BHS will be abated starting June 8-10. Scott Kilsdonk will do the flooring install. We are hoping to have Longfellow done before summer school starts.

BHS and Lincoln gym floors are scheduled for June 9th and 10th for fresh coats of finish.

3. TECHNOLOGY

Reminder - Upcoming changes to our school website will start on June 1 and continue over the summer. The current company SchoolPointe has been acquired by FinalSite. This will require a couple design changes, but cost will remain the same until our contract ends at the end of next school year.

Longfellow Stage Microphone equipment was delayed and was pushed back to the first week of June. AVI did install a temporary wireless microphone which was used at the POPS concert and will be available for graduation. All wired mics are fully functional and will be used for the podium during graduation. Senior Slide show will be projected at the start of graduation. System was used for the Mario Kart Tournament & School Board Candidate Forum and looked GREAT!
Used the GlowForge this year to create music awards.

4. **PRINCIPALS**

a. **ELEMENTARY PRINCIPAL – ERIN NEVERS**

FastBridge and SBAC - Week of May 16th

Our K-2 students will wrap up FastBridge spring screening next week.

SBAC testing for 3-6 will conclude this week and make-ups will conclude next week.

Shawna Heiser - Friday, May 13th

Shawna Heiser is a licensed Board Certified Behavior Analyst from Bozeman, MT. She operates a private practice offering support services for parents, lectures at Montana State University, and consults with school districts around the state. She will be visiting Lincoln and Longfellow schools, consulting with students and staff and offering guidance for our high needs students.

End of the Year Update

We are quickly coming to the end of the school year and things are ramping up. As we approach the last day there are many events to take note of, they include music programs, field trips, Longfellow field day, etc. Please see the list below. Keep an eye out for updates on the Baker Elementary webpage which can be found on the Baker Public Schools website. Contact Mrs. Nevers with any questions or concerns.

Elementary Field Trips

Lincoln

1st - Museum - May 19th

Longfellow

3rd - Swimming & Picnic in the Park - May 25th

4th - Trails End Ranch - May 24th

5th - Medora & Dickenson - May 26th

6th - Devil's Tower - May 24th

Elementary Spring Concert - May 17th

K-2 - 10:00 a.m.

3-6 - 6:30 p.m.

b. **HIGH SCHOOL PRINCIPAL – ROB NYBY**

Gave results from National BPA, State Music Festival and getting ready for graduation. A change is being requested to be changed in policy and handbook with the use of cell phones in the school. Staff are on board for changing the policy to 'No Cell Phones' instead; they have become disruptive in the classroom.

c. **VICE PRINCIPAL/AD – BO LINGLE**

It has been a tough spring for activities, but we are on the home stretch. Here is the updated schedule after all the changes made due to weather:

- Divisional Tennis moved to Friday in Miles City and finishes in Baker on Saturday.

- District Track is moved from Thursday to Monday in Baker.

- Music Awards Luncheon- Monday, May 16.

- Academic Assembly- Tuesday, May 17.

- State Golf in Fairmont (Anaconda) May 17 & 18.

- Elementary Music Concert- Tuesday, May 17. Lincoln at 10:00 am and Longfellow at 6:30.

- Seniors last day on Wednesday, May 18. Graduation on Sunday, May 22 at 2:00 in Longfellow Gym.

- State Tennis in Bozeman May 19-21.

- Divisional Track in Laurel on Friday, May 20.

- Spring Sports Awards on Tuesday, May 24 at 6:00 pm.

- 8th Grade Picnic at Medicine Rocks and Graduation at 7:00 pm in Longfellow Gym on Wednesday, May 25.

- State Track Meet Thursday- Saturday at Great Falls.

- Students last day on Friday, May 27.

District track has been rescheduled for Monday May 16th due to weather.

5. **SUPERINTENDENT – AARON SKOGEN**

The gym floor designs were sent out on Facebook and have narrowed down to 2 designs so will be sending out again and going to send it out to the student body as well to get them involved. McKinstry has started the ground assessment and hope to have some results next month.

Resignations: Bryan Nevers & Marnie Moberg

Current openings are 2 special education teachers and working with administration to rework those positions since have both positions open. Still looking for an elementary teacher and High School Principal as well. PIR calendar is ready for adoption at next meeting and hope to get strategic planning going again.

Board Subcommittees have some vacancies with election of new board members:

Transportation: Samm Schermele-Varner & Quentin Burdick

Complex: Dalon Dyke & Quentin Burdick

Extracurricular: Klint Flint & Quentin Burdick

Finance/Facilities: Johnna Koenig & Klint Flint

Next scheduled meeting: June 21, 2022 at 6pm

There being no other business, meeting adjourned at 7:39 pm.

Clerk

Chairman