

REGULAR MEETING

November 16, 2022

6:00 PM

The regular meeting of the Baker School Board was called to order by Chairperson Johnna Koenig at 6pm in the Boardroom of Baker High School. Trustees Quentin Burdick, Klint Flint, Samm Schermele, and Dalon Dyke were in attendance. Also present were Superintendent Aaron Skogen, Principals Dom Vergara and Erin Nevers, Vice-Principal/AD Bo Lingle, District Clerk Jennifer Mettler, Technology Director Scott Anderson, and Head Custodian Mardi Brown. Guests were Maranda Hastig, Lena Kennel, and Abbey Dunn.

Consent Items:

The bills, investment report, activity account report, journal adjustments, and minutes were reviewed by the trustees; claim checks 58125 to 58190 were reviewed and approved. There being no objections, Chairperson Koenig approves the consent items as presented.

PUBLIC COMMENT

None

EDUCATION REPORT – Mrs. Emily Palo

Mrs. Palo was not able to make the meeting at this time.

ACTION ITEMS

ADVANCING AG ED GRANT REQUEST – MISS DUNN

Miss Dunn presents to the board a request to apply for the Advancing Ag Ed Grant from the OPI; it is awarded every other year to an accredited Ag program and it is \$2,000 every other year. She plans to use the funds for greenhouse updates and state convention registration if there is any money left after the updates to the greenhouse.

Klint Flint moved to approve the Advancing Ag Ed grant request. Quentin Burdick seconded the motion; motion carried unanimously.

EXTRACURRICULAR CONTRACT(S) CONSIDERATION(S)

Mr. Lingle presents to the board the remaining extracurricular contracts for the 2022-23 school year. It is recommended to hire as follows:

- Jennefer Wheeler, Concession Manager
- Travis Santistevan, HS Boys C Squad Coach

Quentin Burdick moved to hire the recommended coaches/advisors as presented by Mr. Lingle for the 2022-23 school year. Samm Schermele seconded the motion; motion carried unanimously.

STUDENT ATTENDANCE AGREEMENTS – PLEVNA SCHOOLS

Mrs. Mettler presented to the board the following student attendance agreements from Plevna Schools for the 2022-23 school year:

Name	District of Residence	District of Choice
Ruilin & Felicia Li	Baker	Plevna
Kate Holliday	Baker	Plevna
Jaiden & Kali Dulin	Baker	Plevna
Hawken Hall	Baker	Plevna
Nicholas, Weston & Blaine	Baker	Plevna
Braxton MacKay	Baker	Plevna
Billie Jo & Johnny Miller	Baker	Plevna
Connor Alford	Baker	Plevna
Lucas Wike	Baker	Plevna

Samm Schermele moved to approve the 2022-23 attendance agreements as presented. Dalon Dyke seconded the motion; motion carried unanimously.

OIL AND GAS REVENUE ALLOCATION

Mrs. Mettler presents to the board the oil and gas revenue from the 2nd quarter of 2022, received November 2022. It is being recommended for allocation as follows:

- 1. General Fund \$30,000
- Flex Fund \$1,149,151.14
- 2. General Fund \$30,000
- Flex Fund \$300,000
- Building Reserve \$849,151.14

Discussion follows.

Klint Flint moved to reallocate the oil and gas revenue on or about November 1, 2022 to the General Fund \$30,000, Flex Fund \$300,000 and Building Reserve \$849,151.14, reserving the right to reallocate the future payments when received. Quentin Burdick seconded the motion; motion carried unanimously.

SAFE RETURN TO SCHOOLS & CONTINUITY OF SERVICES PLAN

No changes to the plan this month; no board action.

REPORTS:

1. COMPLEX, Lena Kennel

There was a full staff cleaning day on October 16th, an Aides only cleaning day on October 30th, and another full staff regular monthly cleaning day on November 13th. During each of these cleaning days, work expectations have been adjusted and clarified as needed. A “dive-in” movie night was held on October 30th to celebrate Halloween and increase pool usage. This was a big success, with over 60 patrons using the pool. It also led to new ideas to increase interest in the pool. Starting in December, we hope to start hosting night swims once a month over the weekends. If these night swims catch enough interest, this will continue through the winter months.

The Rec Center will be closed on November 24th and 25th for Thanksgiving. With basketball games starting soon, closures will be more common again as the complex locker rooms will need to be used by the school. There is another monthly cleaning day scheduled for December 11th, and the first night swim is tentatively scheduled for December 18th. Three of the Lifeguard Aides are turning 15 and will join the Lifeguard crew in December.

I attended a CPO course on October 27th and October 28th, receiving certification to maintain the pool. I’m currently working on rebalancing the pool water to maintain ideal levels in all relevant areas - all levels are still suitable for the pool to be used regularly. I’ve altered our standard membership registration paperwork and prices to offer memberships to larger groups and organizations, and will be in contact with Denbury as well as other businesses in hopes of discussing membership options. I’ve also continued to compile old weight/cardio room usage records to determine any patterns of usage and changes in traffic throughout the year. Based on the usage so far this month, I expect the monthly total for November to be approximately the same as last year or slightly higher, creating a similar overall trend between 2021 and 2022 thus far. Looking at the average number of sign-ins per day of the week, 2022 is currently trending on average approximately 1.2 more sign-ins each day than in 2021. As work requirements permit, I will begin to go through this same process with pool usage rates, as well as take a closer look at usage times for both of these.

2. MAINTENANCE, Mardi Brown

Direct Electric was onsite at High School on Saturday Oct 21st and did the Electrical for the Shot clocks. Gym Bleachers were swept and mopped along with the gym floor being scrubbed for District Volleyball Tourney. Overall it went very well with all Tourney attendees being very courteous to my staff. I attended a SWebinar from MSGIA on sensors for the buildings, these are free from the Insurance Company. Very informative and when installed can eliminate the weekend trips for checking refrigerators and freezers.

The Library AHU is fixed but I had to have Mike Castro from Billings come and repair it.

The custodial staff and myself have been very busy with snow removal. It’s been a very slow process with Mother Nature not being kind. I had my skid steer out of commission for a day and Neil Moore built me a better than new blade on the bucket. I had to ask Mike Griffith to send help on both Thursday and Friday mornings last week.

3. TECHNOLOGY, Scott Anderson

Updated the obsolete equipment list on the website. Started to take the credit cards at the middle school basketball game and had \$47.50 in charges and only cost the concessions in fees \$1.94 so will start to allow the credit cards at all the concessions. Regional BPA is being hosted in District on December 5th and anyone wanting to judge please let him know.

4. PRINCIPALS

a. ELEMENTARY PRINCIPAL, Erin Nevers

Book fair was hosted at the elementary the week of Halloween and they raised money to put new books in our elementary libraries. Parent Teacher conference went well and great attendance. Grades 3-6 are starting to help clean up the lunchroom by wiping down the tables and it has been great. Students and teachers are full swing into learning this fall and its great to see the hard work and efforts that are being made by everyone.

b. HIGH SCHOOL PRINCIPAL, Dom Vergara

Thanks to all the substitute teachers and the Spartan Media facebook page, Mrs. Hillary Frank has done a great job. Joined MASSP Board and serving on a committee with the Baker Chamber of Commerce with the Recreation Department. Continue to have a rise in handbook violations and in-school suspension and out of school suspensions.

c. VICE PRINCIPAL/ATHLETIC DIRECTOR, Bo Lingle

List of events through the next month as winter sports start. December 5th host Regional BPA, Dec. 6th senior night for wrestling; December 13th elementary Christmas concerts and Dec. 15th high school band Christmas concert.

5. SUPERINTENDENT, Aaron Skogen

Facility meeting was today before the board meeting and committee discussed summer projects for 2023; approved by the committee was Longfellow Cafeteria (includes flooring, asbestos abatement, abandoning sewer line and installing new); High school flooring of rooms #8, 9, 10; possibly redo the High School gym floor and approved the design and bid documents from McKinstry to go out to bids for the High School Foundation project.

Mr. Skogen also has the board look at statue designs from Clinton Lesh (former BHS student) for consideration in the front of the school by the admin parking spots.

TEAMs report with the State is completed. Received resignation/retirement from Ms. Diane VanGorden and resignation from Kelsea Desrocher. The grievance from the BEA has been resolved and a letter from the lawyer is presented to the board.

Next scheduled board meeting is December 14, 2022 at 6 pm.

There being no other business, meeting adjourned at 7:18 pm.

s/ Jennifer Mettler

Clerk

s/ Johanna Keenig

Chairman