

BROWNSTOWN CENTRAL COMMUNITY SCHOOL CORPORATION
Brownstown, Indiana

Members of the Board of School Trustees of the Brownstown Central Community School Corporation met in Regular Session at the Brownstown Central Administration Office at 7:30 p.m., on Monday, April 10, 2023.

An executive session was held at 7:00 p.m. to receive information about perspective employees and discuss personnel as listed in (I.C. 5-14-1.5-6.1) (b) (5) (6). No subject matters were discussed in Executive Session other than the subject matters specified in the public notice.

Brian Wheeler called the meeting to order. David Martin led the Pledge of Allegiance, and a moment of silence was observed.

Roll call was taken by Vice-President Brian Wheeler. Members David Martin, Jerry Hounshel, and Paul Borden were present. Secretary Gina Hackman was present via phone but did not participate in voting. Also present was Superintendent Tim Taylor, Assistant Superintendent Jade Peters, Angie Wheelles, Joe Sheffer, Doug McClure, Marty Young, Paula Workman, several patrons and 1 member of the media. Members Scott Shade and Clayton Beard were absent.

On a motion by Paul Borden, seconded by Jerry Hounshel, the board unanimously approved the Minutes of the March 14, 2023 meeting.

The first preliminary hearing on proposed construction projects was held. Pursuant to Indiana Code § 6-1.1-20-3.5, a school corporation must hold two public hearings and adopt a resolution to preliminarily determine to issue bonds or enter a lease for a project which has a total project cost in excess of a non-controlled project. These hearings and the adoption of resolutions are the very beginning of the legal process. These resolutions establish the maximum financial terms for the proposed project. Proposed projects include HVAC work at Brownstown Elementary School, a new gym at Brownstown Elementary School, as well as parking and roadways in our school corporation. Mr. Peters explained the process for determining the need for the projects. Damian Maggos of Raymond James & Associates, Inc., our underwriter, spoke about how the proposed projects will be financed, as well as the effect on the typical property taxpayer. The board will continue to work with the administration and its professionals to look for efficiencies to conserve tax dollars while meeting our educational needs. There were no public comments on the projects. The board will hold a second public hearing in this board room on April 17, 2023 at 7:30 p.m.

On a motion by Jerry Hounshel, seconded by David Martin, the board unanimously closed the public hearing.

Mr. Sheffer recognized and congratulated Luke Imlay as BCHS Student of the Month.

Mr. Sheffer congratulated Madison Edwards for being selected as a 2023 Academic All-Star. On April 20th, the Indiana Association of School Principals will recognize 40 Indiana Academic All-Stars and 50 Regional All-Stars.

Mr. Sheffer reported BCHS students recently partnered with Laura Jo's Cookies for a Riley Dance Marathon fundraiser. Making close to \$1500, they are over halfway to their \$2500 goal. Great job, Miracle Makers! The student council has a Riley Dance Marathon scheduled for April 22nd.

Mr. Sheffer congratulated the boys' basketball team for a great season and winning regional. Congratulations to Jack Benter for being named a Junior Indiana All-Star.

Mr. Young recognized and congratulated Bella Brown as BES Student of the Month.

Mr. Young reported the elementary school's year is moving right along. This is a fun time of the year with all of the different activities going on and we can get outside some.

BES will start ILEARN testing next week; 3rd, 4th, and 5th grade students will be testing each day for about 8 days.

Mr. Young stated several teachers have been doing classroom projects including Mrs. Fee's Dad's Day basketball event, Ms. Tanksley's Hero Project, Mrs. Stahl's M(art)ch Madness Art Bracket, and several Stem projects.

Mr. Young reported BES counselors have been doing several great social, emotional and career lessons with our students.

Mr. Young reported Macey Stuckwisch, one of our subs, helped lead BES in AG Success Week with fun dress-up days to support our local farms and agricultural companies. Canned foods were collected and donated to students and the Shed for You.

Kona Ice was at BES last week and once again our community came together to make sure all students were able to get Kona Ice with their donations.

Mr. Young stated after ILEARN is complete, we are on the downhill slide of the year. May highlights will include track and field, grade-level field trips, kindergarten enrollment, and our award programs.

Mr. Young stated he is already prepping for next year with new ideas and trying to get movement on things so that BES can feel good ending the year and knowing what next year looks like.

Mr. McClure recognized and congratulated Alice Nowland as BCMS Student of the Month.

Mr. McClure reported spring sports are in full swing. We have a lot of spring athletes heading to the high school after school for tennis, track, and/or weights.

Mr. McClure stated while the 2023 ILEARN assessment window opens next week, BCMS will start testing all grades the following week beginning with the Math Computer Adaptive Test Tuesday, April 25th.

Mr. McClure reported BCMS is excited to host the Class of 2030 for their 5th grade Pals for a Day visits. Each of our 5th grade classes will be visiting the middle school in turn on May 3rd, 4th, 5th, and 8th.

Mr. McClure stated BCMS would like to thank Mr. Hubbard and Mr. Peters for their quick response in getting the school's PA and bell system software program installed and up and running so quickly. On March 8th, our system crashed. BCMS was running without passing period bells or the ability to communicate building wide via the PA. Alternate measures were put in place to insure internal communication in the event of an emergency, but the day-to-day operation of staff and students being alerted by bells and PA addresses to navigate the school day was suspended. The teachers, guest teachers, and students did a very impressive job of maintaining our daily routine and class schedule operation. The quick and thorough attention to this need is greatly appreciated.

Mr. McClure reported BCMS received a grant from the Jackson County Community Foundation in the amount of \$931.00. BCMS is very grateful for these funds for use in our school.

Mr. McClure stated trimester 3 progress reports will go home with BCMS students Tuesday, April 11th.

Mr. Peters reported that there was one Emergency Allocation. The Emergency Allocation was to Southern Roofing for coping repair at the High School in the amount of \$773.00. Emergency Allocation previous balance was \$86,574.77, leaving a balance of \$85,801.77. On a motion by David Martin, seconded by Paul Borden, the board unanimously approved the Emergency Allocation.

On a motion by Jerry Hounshel, seconded by Paul Borden, the board unanimously approved the payment of Claim Nos. 22583, 22586, 22606 through 22639 and 22658 through 22716, Lunch Fund Claims, Payrolls 13, 14 and March Payroll Claims as follows:

Fund	Description	Total
0101	Education	9,883.96
0300	Operations	62,701.00
3769	High Ability 2022/2023	1031.80
3954	Digital Learning Grant	182.62
5800	Title IV (Fy22) (SY22-23)	700.00
7911	611-ARP	47.69
7931	Esser II	218.00
	Total	\$74,765.07

Fund	Description	Total
0101	Education	45,845.39
0300	Operations	73,329.48
1702	JCIDC Drone Program	5000.00
2902	Dennis & Nancy Sterling Grant	425.75
4100	2022-23 Title I Pt A	300.00
5800	Title IV (FY22) (SY22-23)	83.65
7911	611-ARP	259.37
7931	Esser II	911.95
	Total	126,155.59

Lunch Fund Claims	\$82,679.60
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Payrolls 13, 14, and March Payroll Claims	\$1,313,616.91
Total	\$1,597,217.17

Mr. Peters then went over the Monthly Budget and Extra-Curricular Reports.

On a motion by Paul Borden, seconded by Jerry Hounshel, the board unanimously approved the following Field Trip Requests:

FIELD TRIP REQUESTS

Date	Organization	Destination	No. of Chaperones	No. of Students
April 12, 2023	BCHS Guidance	JCIDC Job Opportunities Seymour HS	2	30-40
April 20, 2023	FFA	Area Livestock Judging Clark Co. Fairgrounds	1	3
April 26, 2023	BCHS Choir/Drama Club	Indiana Repertory Theatre	5	39
May 3, 2023	BCHS Letterman's Club	Top Golf Louisville, KY	2	40
May 9, 2023	BCHS Culinary/Hospitality Classes	Marion Kay Spices Brownstown	1	36
May 11, 2023	BES 4 th Grade	Spring Mill State Park	10-12	100
May 16, 2023	BES 5 th Grade	Malibu Jacks Louisville, KY	7	98
May 19, 2023	BES 1 st Grade	Brownstown Public Library	10	122
May 20, 2023	FFA	State Livestock Judging Tippecanoe Co. Fairgrounds	1	3
May 22, 2023	Lutheran Central	Kentucky Science Center	25	35
May 23, 2023	Lutheran Central	Indianapolis Children's Museum	3	32
May 25, 2023	BCMS Tribe Team	Strike & Spare Clarksville, IN	3	70
July 9-15, 2023	BCMS/BCHS Choir	Showchoir Camp Tiffin, OH	2	18
Oct 18, 2023	BCMS/BCHS Choir	BCHS Auditorium	1	75
Dec 13, 2023	BCMS/BCHS Choir	BCHS Auditorium	1	75
May 20, 2024	BCMS/BCHS Choir	BCHS Auditorium	1	75

On a motion by Paul Borden, seconded by David Martin, the board unanimously approved the following Facility Use Requests:

FACILITY USE PERMIT

Date	Organization and Event	Facility Needed
April 2023-April 2024	Adult Open Gym	BCHS Gym
April-May 2023	5 th Grade Basketball Open Gym	BES Gym
June 12-16, 2023	BCMS/BCHS Choir Camp	BCHS Auditorium/Cafeteria
July 29, 2023	United Way Rock'n Ready School Supplies	BES
July 31-Aug 5, 2023	Distinguished Young Women of Jackson County	BCHS Auditorium
August 20, 2023	LC Sunday-Joint Church Service	BCHS Auditorium
October 18, 2023	BCMS/BCHS Choir Concert Rehearsal	BCHS Auditorium
October 19, 2023	BCMS/BCHS Choir Concert	BCHS Auditorium
Oct 30-Nov 3, 2023	BCHS Musical Auditions	BCHS Auditorium
December 12, 2013	BC Band Concert	BCHS Auditorium
December 13, 2023	BCMS/BCHS Choir Concert Rehearsal	BCHS Auditorium
December 14, 2023	BCMS/BCHS Choir Concert	BCHS Auditorium
January 8-March 6, 2024	BCHS Choir Musical Rehearsal	BCHS Auditorium
March 7, 8, 10, 2024	BCHS Choir Musical	BCHS Auditorium
March 19, 2024	BC Band Concert	BCHS Auditorium
May 17, 2024	BC Band Concert	BCHS Auditorium
May 20, 2024	BCMS/BCHS Choir Concert Rehearsal	BCHS Auditorium
May 21, 2024	BCMS/BCHS Choir Concert	BCHS Auditorium

On a motion by David Martin, seconded by Jerry Hounshel, the board unanimously approved the following Personnel Actions:

RESIGNATIONS/TERMINATIONS:

Karen Ault	BCMS Robotics Coordinator
Jamie Temple	BES Robotics Coordinator

RECOMMENDATIONS:

Deb Schwartz	Leave of Absence (August 3, 2023-October 20, 2023)
Paul Ruddick	BES Robotics Coordinator
Paul Ruddick	BCMS Robotics Coordinator
Kylee Wischmeier	BCHS Earth Space Science Teacher
John Schaeffer	BCMS/BCHS Band Director (200 day contract)
Lydia Killey	BCCSC Summer Help
Laura Stice	BCCSC Summer Help
Tonia Gard	BCCSC Summer Help
Joseph Murphy	BCCSC Summer Help
Sheryl Jackson	BCCSC Summer Help
Shelby Hounshel	BCCSC Summer Help
Adam Disque	BCCSC Summer Help
Judy Doyle	BCCSC Summer Help
Kerri Allman	BCCSC Summer Help
Piper Allman	BCCSC Summer Help

RETIREMENT:

TRANSFER:

LEAVE OF ABSENCE:

Kourtnee Crockett	Leave of Absence (August 3, 2023-October 20, 2023)
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Mr. Taylor asked approval of the 2023-2024 North Lawrence Career Center Operating Agreement. On a motion by Paul Borden, seconded Jerry Hounshel, the board unanimously approved the Agreement.

Mr. Taylor asked approval of the 2023-2024 Flexibility Waiver Resolution. On a motion by Jerry Hounshel, seconded by David Martin, the board unanimously approved the Resolution.

Mr. Peters stated bids for the Middle School bathroom project were opened at 10 a.m. on April 10, 2023. There were two bids. The first bid was from T & G Construction Co. Inc.-Base bid of \$258,000 for the 8th grade upstairs restrooms and alternate bid for first floor restrooms of \$250,000. The second bid was from Poole Group, Inc.-Base bid of \$227,700 for the 8th grade upstairs restrooms and alternate bid for first floor restrooms of \$227,700. Mr. Peters recommend the board accept the bid from Poole Group, Inc.

On a motion by Paul Borden, seconded by David Martin, the board unanimously approved to accept bids.

Mr. Taylor gave an update on our Strategic Plan. Adam Jones of SkyBound is tabulating the data from student, staff, parent, and community surveys taken prior to spring break.

Thank you to everyone who participated. Adam will be meeting with a group from the corporation soon to develop questions that will be asked to focus groups representing different groups of stakeholders in early May.

Mr. Taylor reported our corporation Safety Plan has been audited and approved by the IDOE. Thanks to Mr. Young and our Safety Team for making sure we are keeping our schools safe.

Mr. Taylor stated the next Preliminary Project Hearing will be held on Monday, April 17th at 7:30 p.m. at the administration building.

In other business, Mr. Taylor stated our corporation is in need of an upgrade to our website and the way we push out information to students, parents and the public. Our current platforms are not meeting our needs. Our technology director Will Hubbard gave a presentation on the downsides of our current processes and the options that have been investigated. Apptegy is the platform of choice that will allow a unification of all of our platforms being used and simplify use for all.

Jerry Hounshel thanked the administration for keeping everyone updated of the needed projects in our school corporation.

Paul Borden congratulated the Students of the Month.

Paul Borden thanked everyone for their hard work this school year and to keep up the hard work to finish out the year.

David Martin congratulated the Students of the Month.

David Martin congratulated the boys' basketball team on an excellent year.

Brian Wheeler thanked the principals for their hard work this year and congratulated the Students of the Month.

Brian Wheeler thanked Mr. Peters and Mr. Hubbard for their work on upcoming planned projects.

Having no other business, on a motion by David Martin, seconded by Jerry Hounshel, the board unanimously approved the meeting adjourned at 8:13 p.m.

Gina Hackman, Secretary, Board of School Trustees

ATTEST:

Brian Wheeler, Vice-President, Board of School Trustees