

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 Brownstown Administration Office at 7:30 p.m., on Monday, May 8, 2023.

An executive session was held at 6:30 p.m. to discuss personnel as listed in IC 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.

Scott Shade called the meeting to order. Clayton Beard led the Pledge of Allegiance, and a moment of silence was observed.

Roll call was taken by President Scott Shade. Members Brian Wheeler, David Martin, Gina Hackman, Jerry Hounshel, Clayton Beard, and Paul Borden were present, as were Superintendent Tim Taylor, Assistant Superintendent Jade Peters, Angie Wheelles, Joe Sheffer, Doug McClure, Marty Young, Will Hubbard, Paula Workman, and several patrons.

On a motion by Jerry Hounshel, seconded by Brian Wheeler, the board unanimously approved the Minutes of the April 10, 2023 and April 17, 2023 meetings.

Mr. Taylor and Scott Shade recognized and congratulated Dan Schwartz and Richard Branaman on their retirements. Mr. Schwartz received a plaque with his name and years of service with BCCSC. Mr. Branaman was unable to attend due to a prior obligation but will receive his plaque at a later date.

Mr. Young recognized and congratulated Aderes Pavlik as BES Student of the Month.

Mr. Young reported BES has many things going on this time of year including Track and Field Days.

Mr. Young reported 1st grade will be going to the Brownstown Library, 2nd grade to the Louisville Zoo, 3rd grade to Wonderlab, 4th grade to Spring Mill, and 5th grade to Malibu Jacks for field trips.

Mr. Young stated our 5th grade students went to BCMS for Pal for a Day in preparation for their transition to middle school next year.

Mr. Young reported 3rd grade High Ability students will be doing a Wax Museum for BES and parents, and 5th grade High Ability students will be having a Science Fair.

Mr. Young stated 4th grade students will participate in Pioneer Day.

Mr. Young reported BES just finished up ILEARN and I AM testing at BES.

Mr. Young stated BES is celebrating Teacher and Staff Appreciation Week with several fun activities, lots of food, and of course Jeans Days.

Mr. Young reported several 5th grade students have been working in our garden areas by putting down mulch and making things look nice around BES.

Mr. Young reported the final totals have come in for the Kona Ice Fundraiser-throughout the year, they have donated \$2,779.45 to our BES PTO.

Mr. Young reported BES received the 2023 America's Farmers Grow Communities \$5,000 donation. This money will go into our needy student fund for Blessings in a Backpack-special thanks to Tammi Hackman for nominating BES for this donation.

Mr. Young stated our school Physical Therapist, Chelsea Tabling, entered one of our special needs students in the Great Bike Giveaway Contest. He won the contest and received his Physical Therapy Bike last week; this bike is worth a couple thousand dollars.

Mr. Young reported in preparation for next year, several teachers and aides plan to attend an Orten Gillingham training this summer. A lot of work goes into making changes that will make BES an even better place next school year.

Mr. Young wished everyone a great summer.

Mr. McClure recognized and congratulated Hayden Hall and Sydney Hall as BCMS Students of the Month.

Mr. McClure reported that ILEARN testing was completed the final week of April. He gave compliments to the BCMS staff for a smooth test administration. We anticipate the release of initial individual student results soon. To celebrate the students' efforts, we are hosting an ILEARN Carnival in the gym on Friday for each grade level.

Mr. McClure stated to complement our Carnival activities, on Friday will be our first BCHS engineering and science fair. We are going to transform the LMC and adjacent hallway into a space for the engineering and science exhibits that Mr. Cobb and his students will be setting up to share with BCMS students. The purpose of the fair is to help generate a greater interest in the engineering classes offered at BCHS.

Mr. McClure stated this week is Teacher Appreciation Week. It is always fitting to be able to recognize those who give so much of themselves to our children. He thanked the cafeteria for providing Big Cookies on Tuesday and breakfast on Thursday this week and an advanced thank you to Mr. Peters and Mr. Taylor for the BCMS cookout planned for next Wednesday.

Mr. McClure reported BCMS hosted all 5th grade classes last week and today. It is always exciting to greet our incoming 6th graders for the first time.

Mr. McClure reported we will have our Spring Choir Concert at the high school auditorium next Tuesday, May 16th, starting at 6:00 pm. Also at the high school auditorium the evening of Friday, May 19th, the BCMS band will perform its Farewell Concert.

Mr. McClure expressed his gratitude to Mr. Branaman for his years of service to the students of our corporation. BCMS would like to congratulate him on his retirement and wish him well.

Mr. McClure invited all to attend any or all of our awards day programs: Grades 6 & 7 will hold their awards program in the BCMS gymnasium the morning of Wednesday, May 24th starting at 9:30 am. Grade 8 will hold their awards program in the BCHS Auditorium the morning of Friday, May 26th starting at 9:30 am.

Mr. McClure reported trimester 3 report cards, along with individual student ILEARN results (if released by that time), will go home with students the afternoon of the last day of school.

Mr. McClure stated BCMS Open House for grades 6, 7, and 8 for the 2023-24 school year will be the days of Monday, July 31st-Wednesday, August 2nd from 10:00am to 6:00pm each of those days. This information will go home to students during fair week.

Mr. McClure wished everyone a pleasant and enjoyable summer vacation.

Mr. Sheffer recognized and congratulated Caysen Robertson as BCHS Student of the Month.

Mr. Sheffer reported on Friday, April 14th the BCHS Prom was held. We had over 250 students attend and were happy to report good weather and no issues.

Mr. Sheffer reported on Tuesday, April 18th, the BCHS Academic Teams competed at the regional competition. The Fine Arts team of Madison Edwards, Elix Preston, and Raegan Ratliff placed 3rd. The Social Studies team of Brynn Burton, Elix Preston, and Braedyn Stidams placed 2nd. The English team of Bella Brown, Alexia Manns, Claire Schepman, and Megan VonDielingen placed 1st. The Science team of Jenna Bolte, Jaren Cunningham, Jayse Davis and Holden Tovey placed 1st. The Math team of Jayse Davis, Madison Edwards, and Megan Vondielingen placed 1st. Great job all teams!

Mr. Sheffer stated our annual VIP breakfast took place on Thursday, April 20, 2023. We recognized 36 students that were selected by a teacher as a VIP. The VIP breakfast recognizes students for accomplishments that demonstrate excellence in attitude or achievements that have enhanced the classroom, the school, or individual student.

Mr. Sheffer reported BCHS had a blood drive sponsored by the American Red Cross on Wednesday, May 3rd. 43 units of blood were collected. Thanks to all the students and community members that donated.

Mr. Sheffer stated May is the month for AP exams. Many of our AP students have been preparing and taking the AP exams.

Mr. Sheffer stated Teacher Appreciation week is May 8-12. Thanks to the teachers for all of their hard work. Thanks to Dan Schwartz for his 36 years of service to our students.

Mr. Sheffer reported on April 11th, he graduated from the Indiana Principal Leadership Institute (IPLI) of which he has been in a cohort for the past two years. It was a 2 year professional development program. He enjoyed it so much, he signed up for the extended IPLI series.

Mr. Sheffer congratulated Carson Darlage on an impressive baseball game on Saturday. He had a no hitter with 16 strikeouts and zero walks.

Mr. Sheffer looks forward to graduation and concluding a great school year.

Mr. Peters reported that there were four Emergency Allocations. Emergency Allocation #1 was to CJL Contracting for glass repair at the Middle School in the amount of \$600.00. Emergency Allocation #2 was to HFI for band room HVAC repairs at the High School in the amount of \$275.00. Emergency Allocation #3 was to Burch’s Sewer and Drain Cleaning for sewer line repair at the High School in the amount of \$450.00. Emergency Allocation #4 was to Southern Roofing for roof leaks at the Elementary and Middle Schools in the amount of \$1,599.00. Emergency Allocations beginning balance was \$85,801.77, this month’s expenditures totaled \$2,924.00, leaving a balance of \$82,877.77. On a motion by David Martin, seconded by Paul Borden, the board unanimously approved the Emergency Allocations.

On a motion by Gina Hackman, seconded by Jerry Hounshel, the board unanimously approved the payment of Claim Nos. 22727 through 22729, 22754 through 22791, and 22794 through 22870, Lunch Fund Claims, and Payrolls 15, 16, and April Payroll Claims as follows:

Fund	Description	Total
0101	Education	34,466.39
0300	Operations	100,693.53
0700	Construction Fund-BCMS	1,500.00
4100	2022-23 Title I, Pt A (Basic)	120.00
5220	FY 2022 611 Grant	1,594.00
5800	Title IV (FY22) (SY22-23)	641.90
7911	611-ARP	89.93
7931	ESSER II	758.50
	Total	\$139,864.25

Fund	Description	Total
0101	Education	20,604.02
0300	Operations	110,245.82
2902	Dennis & Nancy Sterling Grant	1,192.00
3769	High Ability 2033-2023	975.20
3954	DLG (Digital Learning Grant)	297.32
4100	2022-23 Title I Pt A (Basic)	160.00
5220	FY 2023 611 Pt. B	127.73
7911	611-ARP	1,274.19
7931	ESSER II	1,242.90
	Total	\$136,119.18

Lunch Fund Claims	\$103,154.39
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Payrolls 15, 16, and April Payroll Claims	\$1,299,295.50
Total	\$1,678,433.32

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

On a motion by Gina Hackman, seconded by Brian Wheeler, the board unanimously approved the following Field Trip Requests:

FIELD TRIP REQUESTS

Date	Organization	Destination	No. of Chaperones	No. of Students
May 9, 2023	St. John's Sauers	Lucas Oil Stadium	10	25
May 12, 2023	BCHS Engineering/Computer Science/Robotics	BCMS	1	8-10
May 16, 2023	Lutheran Central	Rascal's Fun Zone Whiteland, IN	2+	27
May 17, 2023	BCHS SLAB Club	Barnes & Noble Greenwood, IN	1	3
May 17, 2023	Lutheran Central	Conner Prairie	10	15
May 17, 2023	BCHS German III Class	Brownstown Elementary	1	12
May 19, 2023	St. John's Sauers	Indianapolis Zoo	2	22
May 22, 2023	St. John's Sauers	Jackson Co. Forestry	2	22
May 22, 2023	BCMS 7 th Grade	Skateland & Bowling Center Columbus, IN	3	75-100
May 26, 2023	BCMS 8 th Grade	Year End Awards BCHS Auditorium	7	108
June 21-23, 2023	BCHS Lady Braves Basketball	Transylvania University Lexington, KY	3-4	16-20
Sept. 23, 2023	BCHS Band and Drill Team	Indiana University Band Day	4	45
March 6, 2024	BCHS Choir	Musical Matinee BCHS Auditorium	2	Unknown

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

FACILITY USE PERMITS

Date	Organization and Event	Facility Needed
May 22-23, 2023	Steps Dance Recital	BCHS Auditorium
June-July, 2023	Nick Roby Tennis Lessons/Clinics	BCHS Tennis Courts

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

RESIGNATIONS/TERMINATIONS:

Phil Peters	BCCSC Bus Driver
Joyce Blair	BCMS Cafeteria (6 Hours)
Karyn Rumph	BES Aide (28 Hour)
Emily Allman	BES Aide (28 Hour)
Ashley Wolka	BES Aide (28 Hour)
Darrian Garvey	BES Aide (Esser)

RECOMMENDATIONS:

John Schaeffer	Summer Band
Riley Nuss	BCCSC IT Summer Help (Part-Time)
Reagan Nuss	BCCSC IT Summer Help (Part-Time)
Maren McClure	BCCSC IT Summer Help
Matt Rotert	BCCSC Technology Support Specialist
Robbie Reynolds	BCCSC Summer Help
Shyann Owens	BCMS Cafeteria (6 Hours)
Brittany Bell	BCCSC Summer Help

TRANSFER:

Elizabeth Markel	BES Aide (Esser) to BES Aide (28 Hour)
Melissa Winget	BES Aide (Esser) to BES Aide (28 Hour)
Brenda Tormoehlen	BES Aide (Esser) to BES Aide (28 Hour)
Joseph Murphy	BCCSC Summer Help to ½ Time Summer Help
Tonia Gard	BCCSC Summer Help to ½ Time Summer Help

LEAVE OF ABSENCE:

Molly Davis	Leave of Absence (Aug. 14-Nov. 13, 2023)
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Mr. Peters reported to the board the results of the bus fuel bids for July 1, 2023-June 30, 2024. It was advertised in the papers on April 21th and May 1st with bids opening on May 8th at 10:00 a.m. Premier was the only bidder on the bus fuel with a bid at \$2.69 for unleaded, \$2.735 for diesel and \$3.99 per gallon for DEF fuel. Mr. Peters recommended Premier for the fuel supply bid. On a motion by Clayton Beard, seconded by David Martin, the board unanimously approved the fuel bid.

Mr. Peters stated bids for the High School and Middle School Roof Improvements were opened at 2:00 pm on May 3, 2023. There was one bid from Southern Roofing. Bid was as follows: \$18,500 for the High School area 1, \$24,400 for area 2, \$48,100 for area 3, \$49,800 for area 4, \$134,700 for area 5, \$81,900 for area 6 and \$83,400 for the Middle School area 1, \$25,700 for area 2, \$49,400 for area 3, and \$208,900 for area 4. Mr. Peters recommends the board approve the bid for the Middle School area 4 only. On a motion by Brian Wheeler, seconded by Gina Hackman, the board unanimously approved to accept the bid.

Mr. Peters stated bids for the Softball Practice Facility were opened at 2:00 pm on May 3, 2023. There were two bids. The first bid was from Poole Group-Base bid of \$751,000 and alternate #1 Ventilation System \$28,000, alternate #2 Air Conditioning System \$90,000. The second bid was from T & G Construction Co. Inc.-Base bid of \$491,787 and alternate #1 Ventilation System \$28,013, alternate #2 Air Conditions System \$89,629, and alternate #3 Standing Seam Metal Roof \$4,500. Since both of these bids are well over our budgeted amount for the project, Mr. Peters recommends we reject both bids. On a motion by David Martin, seconded by Brian Wheeler, the board unanimously approved to reject the bids.

Mr. Taylor asked for approval of 2023-2024 Student and Athletic Handbooks. On a motion by Gina Hackman, seconded by Jerry Hounshel, the board unanimously approved the handbooks.

Mr. Taylor asked for approval of a STEM Remediation Position to be paid out of Esser Funds for the 2023-2024 school year. On a motion by Paul Borden, seconded by Brian Wheeler, the board unanimously approved the request.

Mr. Taylor asked for approval for a flat fee rate of \$50 within Jackson County and \$150 outside of Jackson County for schools outside of our corporation to use our buses for trips. This would be on top of the rate they pay the bus driver. This will help cover the cost of fuel and maintenance for those trips. On a motion by Clayton Beard, seconded by Paul Borden, the board unanimously approved the request.

Mr. Taylor reported the 3-sided bus shelter went up quickly last week. All of the metal is on the building but it still needs electricity, gravel, etc.

Mr. Taylor reported our administrative team and a representative from the BCCTA met last week to look at data from our surveys and develop questions for the staff and student focus groups occurring this week. Adam Jones will conduct the focus groups at BES today, BCHS on Tuesday, and BCMS on Wednesday.

Mr. Taylor stated the legislature has earmarked 160 million dollars for textbook rental and curricular materials. This equates to around \$160.00 per student. Our understanding is that this is a separate line item on the budget and we will receive the per person amount of the funding multiplied by our enrollment. (Example: \$160 x 1,395).

Mr. Taylor congratulated the BCHS Academic Teams on their recent success.

Mr. Taylor asked everyone to be sure to mark the morning of May 27th on your calendar for the Class of 2023 Graduation ceremony.

Mr. Taylor stated this week is Teacher Appreciation Week. Thank you to all of our teachers for their hard work and commitment to our students.

Mr. Taylor expressed his gratitude on behalf of BCCSC to the retirees and invited everyone to join us for refreshments after the meeting celebrating Mr. Schwartz, Mr. Branaman and their careers

In other business, Mr. Taylor stated we currently have a need for 1 additional 2nd grade teacher for next school year. On a motion by Brian Wheeler, seconded by Gina Hackman, the board unanimously approved the request.

Mr. Taylor asked for approval of the architectural contract with TowerPinkster for the upcoming BES HVAC and Gym project. On a motion by Gina Hackman, seconded by Jerry Hounshel, the board unanimously approved the request.

Paul Borden congratulated and thanked all retirees for their service to our corporation.

Paul Borden thanked our teachers for their hard work all year.

Jerry Hounshel thanked the administration for keeping our schools running well.

Jerry Hounshel thanked our teachers and staff for a good year and congratulated our retirees on a job well done.

Gina Hackman congratulated Mr. Schwartz on his years of service.

Gina Hackman congratulated Mr. Sheffer on his IPLI training completion.

Gina Hackman congratulated the academic teams on their recent success.

Clayton Beard congratulated the Students of the Month

Clayton Beard congratulated Mr. Schwartz on his 36 years of service here and 44 total years in the teaching field. Thank you for your efforts.

Brian Wheeler congratulated the retirees and thanked all of our educators for their devotion to our kids and community.

David Martin thanked Mr. Schwartz for his years of service.

Scott Shade thanked the retirees for their years of service to our corporation.

Scott Shade congratulated all of our extracurricular teams in their recent successes.

Scott Shade thanked our teachers for the great job they do.

Scott Shade congratulated and welcomed Matt Rotert to our staff.

Scott Shade congratulated all of our seniors that will be graduating.

Having no other business, on a motion by Clayton Beard, seconded by Jerry Hounshel, the board unanimously approved, the meeting adjourned at 8:15 p.m.

Gina Hackman, Secretary, Board of School Trustees

ATTEST:

Scott Shade, President, Board of School Trustees