

MINUTES
BLOOMFIELD SCHOOL DISTRICT BOARD OF EDUCATION
BOARD WORKSHOP & PUBLIC BUDGET MEETING
Tuesday, May 10, 2022 (5:00 PM)

ROLL CALL

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: Dale Maes
Tony DeHerrera
Joel Gunn
Ben Woody, Jr.
Darrell Nichols

BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT:

SUPERINTENDENT: Dr. Kimberly Mizell

ALSO IN ATTENDANCE: See Sign-In Sheet

1.0 CALL TO ORDER

1.1 Roll Call for Board Workshop

The Bloomfield School District Board of Education held a board workshop on Tuesday, May 10, 2022 at 5:00 p.m., in the Administration Building Board Room, 325 N Bergin Lane, Bloomfield, NM 87413. The meeting was called to order at 5:00 p.m.

2.0 BRIEFING and APPROVAL ITEMS

2.1 Agenda for Current Board Meeting - Dr. Mizell

Meeting agenda was reviewed with no changes noted.

2.2 Minutes of Previous Board Meeting - Dr. Mizell

Minutes from April 20, 2022 Regular Board Meeting were reviewed with no changes noted.

2.3 Travel Requests for Actual Expenses - Dr. Mizell

Travel Requests:

- *May 18-19, 2022: NM School Nutrition Coop Meeting, Santa Fe, NM
- *June 7-9, 2022: NM School Nutrition Conference, Albuquerque, NM
- *June 13-16, 2022: Roberts Bus Center IC Bus University I, Tulsa, OK

2.4 Finance Committee Briefing - Mrs. Maestas

Briefing includes the Business Consent Agenda with the Revenue and Expenditure Reports, Check Listing Report, and the Credit Card Expense Report. Also included are the FY23 Financial Audit Contract, State of NM Per Diem Travel Rates, and the FY23 Preliminary Operating Budget. The audit contract with Manning Accounting and Consulting has been submitted to the State Auditor's Office for approval of an additional year. The State Per Diem Rates are scheduled to increase, effective July 1, 2022. The rates include increases for overnight per diem, meal reimbursement amounts, as well as partial day incremental increases. This will require board approval for the travel form to be revised.

2.5 FY23 Public Budget Presentation - Mrs. Maestas

The Public Budget Presentation includes the FY23 Operating Budget. Asking for preliminary approval from the Board. The budget goals include a compensation plan to retain and recruit quality staff, preserve the quality of instruction, the safety of students and staff, and to protect the District's operational infrastructure. There are several factors influencing the budget process with the majority being legislative mandates and increases in premiums and benefits. The student enrollment continues to decrease, which affects the unit value. Special education enrollment continues to increase. The funding trends were reviewed including the SEG component, revenues and expenditures, and the general salary fund. The budget includes a cash balance protection. Vacancies that are not filled are still budgeted for in the event the position is filled. Staci took ownership this year and has done a great job, the District will be in good hands.

2.6 Best Buddies Chapter Club at BHS - Mrs. Benavidez

Best Buddies is a volunteer movement designed to pair non-disabled students with disabled students for improved school involvement and interaction, leadership development, one-to-one friendships, and to encourage intellectual and development skills among peers. Students will be paired with life skills students through a match survey. The leadership will be trained for free and the first year of implementation does not require a chapter fee, however the second year will require a fee of \$350. The activities are student led which will require little work from the sponsoring teacher.

2.7 IDEA-B Application - Mrs. Benavidez

The IDEA-B Application is an extensive yearly application that the Special Education Department must submit. The application communicates how much funding will go towards salaries, curriculum, supplies and materials for special education needs. The application will require signatures upon approval.

2.8 Track Resurfacing Contract - Mr. Tensay

The track has not been fully resurfaced in over 20 years and is down to the concrete. Maintenance of athletic facilities is important and the track is diminished. The track is also used by the community. The resurfacing will include repairs, installation of new surface, and regulation striping. There are three quotes obtained with lifespans of 4 years, 8-10 years, or 20+ years. The 4-year option is simply spraying over the existing which is a band aid. In thinking long term, option 3 is the best fit for the district to prevent the frequent reinvestment. Once approved the material order could take up to a month and the project would need to be completed during the summer months for the warmth. Once supplies are received the project should take an estimated 2 weeks by hand.

3.0 DISCUSSION and REVIEW ITEMS

3.1 Equity Council Update - Dr. Mizell

Equity Council Members include: Dr. Mizell, Dale Maes, Tony DeHerrera, Joel Gunn, Ben Woody, Jr., Darrell Nichols, Desiraye Benavidez, Patricia Marquez, Veronica Tso, Verlynne Platero, and Chenoa Toledo. All members were present except Veronica Tso and Chenoa Toledo.

Dr. Mizell turned the floor over to Mrs. Platero, Indian Education Committee (IEC) Member, to update the Board. Mrs. Platero invited the Board to attend the JOM graduation event to be held at the H building on May 19th beginning at 11:00 a.m. A meal will be provided during the event and there will be 4 guest speakers, as well as items given to the seniors such as backpacks. She also noted that the committee puts students first. Last year they were able to provide items to every senior, however this year they cannot. She also noted her monitoring visit which was completed in the schools. There was a concern about the layout of one classroom, which has been addressed. She also mentioned that her daughter had not been doing well at BHS this year, but with the assistance of the school staff she has really stepped up.

Dr. Mizell thanked Mrs. Platero for the report and for the student involvement that the committee provides. The District appreciates the support. Ms. Marquez thanked Mrs. Platero as well for the wonderful testimony. The students are doing well. This year there will be ten students graduating with the bilingual seal. Good

things are happening. Dr. Mizell finished by acknowledging Ms. Marquez and her team for a successful monitoring visit, would not be surprised if they were nationally recognized.

3.2 Report & Discussion of District Activities - Dr. Mizell

Dr. Mizell briefly reviewed the typed report that was given to each Board Member. She mentioned the concerns with supply and demand delaying projects. The wind caused roofing issues at the gym, which has been submitted to insurance. She also noted that she saw students pulling weeds at the high school, which she had not seen before. Dr. Mizell turned the floor over to Mr. Olivas to report on the ongoing maintenance. Mr. Olivas began by saying that projects that have been delayed due to supply and demand issues. The grounds crew are doing an excellent job and will have part time workers this summer to assist in upkeep. The multi-purpose field is having sod placed soon. The District is still actively looking for custodians as well as filling the vacancies of warehouse coordinator and electrician.

Dr. Mizell reported on athletics. The junior high track team is doing well and there are 23 varsity students who qualified for State. Letters of intent are being signed, with Roxy Brown agreeing to Cheer for Grand Canyon University (GCU). There will be some NMAA rule changes coming soon. As for personnel and vacancies, taking a proactive approach. Radio ads are being aired and sound nice and staff have been attending job fairs. The principals hire all year long, but amp up hiring before they leave for the summer. Several movements are taking place within the District, which will leave a couple of assistant principal openings. Mr. DeHerrera commented that the students who were pulling weeds, as being identified as FFA students. He has noticed the FFA class doing this for a few years now. Glad to see them being recognized.

4.0 ADJOURNMENT

4.1 Adjourn Board Workshop

Meeting was adjourned at 5:52 p.m.