

Barberton Board of Education

Work Session

March 8, 2023

Barberton Primary

President Thomas Harnden called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m.

Roll Call

MEMBERS PRESENT: Pat Boyle, Megann Eberhart, Thomas Harnden, Tina Ludwig and Dave Polacek

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Presentation

Brenda Sincel, BPS Principal gave a building update for the Primary Building and the smooth transition that has taken place. She talked about the social emotional support, BPIS support, the school counselor and iCare mentors. Kindergarten registration is starting and open houses have been set with the preschool in March and with outside preschools in April. Mrs. Sincel gave highlights of all the activities that have gone on in the building and upcoming events.

Ms. Fox talked about the different clubs that are at BPS and the opportunities students have to join the different clubs.

Fairy Tale Theater Club Advisor Laura Lapehn along with students Tallece Parks, Emma Judge, Jordyn Suboticki and Caleah Harris did a short presentation for those present of their upcoming performance they will be having of the Three Little Pigs, Little Red Riding Hood, Goldilocks and the three bears and Little Red Hen.

Animal Club Advisor Deb Decker along with students Rylynn Reed, Allie Dressler, Kinzley Jodon who are Kindergartners in the club this quarter along with Mrs. Decker and students community member Fran Kitchen from Operation Orphan Wildlife. The students talked about a few animals that live at the building along with other wildlife that they have learned about from Operation Orphan Wildlife. Ms. Kitchen talked about her program and how the students are respectful and mindful of the animals and how much she enjoys coming every week.

Board Business - Mr. Thomas Harnden

(111/2023) MOTION was made by Polacek second by Eberhart to approve the Work Session Agenda of March 8, 2023

Ayes 5 Boyle, Eberhart, Harnden, Ludwig and Polacek

MOTION CARRIED. 5-0

Committee Reports

Financial – Mr. McKendry mentioned that the committee will meet with the upcoming five year forecast meeting. Mr. McKendry, Mrs. Litten met with the five year forecast consultant and have two more meetings before meeting with the committee.

Education & Technology – Mrs. Eberhart reported that the 4 Cities Compact Director Roger Wright is retiring and the new Director is William Domasio. The 4 Cities Compact Annual Meeting was held at Barberton in February with the Copley Culinary Program serving. Mrs. Eberhart mentioned the Social Emotional movie about anti-bullying is on March 9th at BHS for parents.

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Policy – Ms. Ludwig reported that the updates are in the policy committee members folders to review before the March 21st meeting.

Facilities & Extracurricular Activities – Mr. Boyle reported that we have a student going to the State Wrestling Tournament, Roosevelt Andrews, Spring Sports are starting to have practices, and DI State Tournaments will be at Barberton April 1st showcasing our Barberton campus and BHS is preparing for their production of Mama Mia later this month. During spring break our custodians will be using that time to do deep cleaning in the buildings.

Parks & Recreation – Mr. Harnden reported the Parks is consulting about Pickle Ball courts and golf at a few of the parks and mentioned about an insurance payout for damages that were done at a few of the parks.

Executive Session - O.R.C. §121.22

(112/2023) MOTION was made by Eberhart second by Ludwig to enter into Executive Session to consider employment of a public employee or official, discipline of a public employee or official and to consult with Legal Counsel or pending litigation.

Ayes 5 Polacek, Boyle, Eberhart, Harnden and Ludwig
MOTION CARRIED. 5-0

Madams Eberhart and Ludwig, Messrs. Boyle, Harnden, Polacek, Ondrus, Ramnytz, McKendry, Ryan Hartzell, Attorney Bob McBride, entered into Executive Session at 6:01 pm to conference to consider employment of a public employee or official and to consult with Legal Counsel or pending litigation. President Harnden reconvened the Work Session at 7:50 pm.

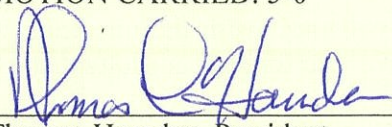
Legal Update - Mr. Robert McBride, Attorney Ennis & Britton Co., LPA

Attorney McBride updated the board on the rules of elections and the Superintendent and Board responsibilities during elections. Attorney McBride spoke on the Superintendent, Treasurer and Board responsibilities on the spending of money for levies and when you are on the clock and off the clock and having outside organization responsible for the campaign and monies.

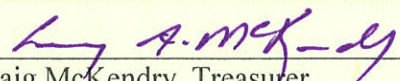
Adjournment

(113/2023) MOTION was made by Polacek second by Eberhart to adjourn the meeting at 8:03 pm.

Ayes 5 Eberhart, Harnden, Ludwig, Polacek and Boyle
MOTION CARRIED. 5-0



Thomas Harnden, President



Craig McKendry, Treasurer