

BOARD MINUTES
BEMENT COMMUNITY UNIT SCHOOL DISTRICT 5
REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION
APRIL 11, 2018

The regular meeting of the Bement Community Unit School District 5 Board of Education was held Wednesday, April 11, 2018 in the FACS room. The meeting was called to order by board vice-president Todd Scott at 7:00 p.m.

Board members present were Jeff Funk, Jeanne Strack, Trixie Stoerger-Flavin, Janice Fogerson, Denise Strack, Kyle Rogers (by phone) and Todd Scott.

Mr. Kepley gave his middle school/high school report on athletics, the random drug testing policy, students receiving the LOVC Principal's Award and the 8th grade Special Olympics/Autism Fundraiser, and the cooperative sports agreement meeting.

Mrs. Greenwood gave her elementary school report on PARCC testing, Grandparents Day, and the Enrichment Program.

Mr. Cline gave his assistant principal's report on the grade school awards ceremony, Color Run, his "Spotlight On" series and the upcoming middle school Breakout activity.

Mrs. Greenwood gave her superintendent's report on state funding, work being done to the buildings, the PreK grant, an upcoming school safety seminar and Chapin Rose's visit.

The board did a second reading of proposed updates and amendments to the Bement CUSD 5 School Board Policy.

A motion was made by D. Strack and seconded by Stoerger-Flavin that the closed session minutes of the March 14, 2018 regular meeting of the board of education be approved as presented. Motion carried by a unanimous roll call vote.

A motion was made by Funk and seconded by J. Strack that the open session minutes of the March 14, 2018 regular meeting of the board of education be approved as presented. Motion carried by a unanimous roll call vote.

A motion was made by Scott and seconded by J. Strack that the board accept and pay all bills as presented. Motion carried by a unanimous roll call vote.

Mrs. Greenwood and the board reviewed the treasurer's report.

Rick Noble, a police officer who specializes in active shooter situations, spoke to the board regarding adopting a Student Safety and Protection Resolution. He told the board that school boards adopting this Resolution would help bring local control back to the district's regarding student safety in their buildings. Currently school districts do not have the authority to authorize conceal carry in their buildings. If the board adopted the Resolution it would then be forwarded to the Illinois Association of School Boards Resolution Committee to be adopted and then forwarded to the Illinois General Assembly. If the legislation would pass each individual school district in the state would be able to determine if they would be conceal carry or not.

A motion was made by Funk and seconded by Scott that the board adjourn to closed session at 8:06 p.m. to discuss the appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance or dismissal of personnel. Motion carried by a unanimous roll call vote.

A motion was made by Fogerson and seconded by J. Strack that the board return to open session at 8:36 p.m. Motion carried by a unanimous roll call vote.

A motion was made by Stoerger-Flavin and seconded by J. Strack that future regular meetings of the board of education be held on the second Wednesday of the month, unless there is a legal obligation to change the date, in Bement High School room H-110. Motion carried by a unanimous roll call vote.

A motion was made by Scott and seconded by Funk that the board approve the district's membership in the Illinois Elementary School Association (IESA). Motion carried by a unanimous roll call vote.

A motion was made by D. Strack and seconded by J. Strack that the board approve the district's membership in the Illinois High School Association (IHSA). Motion carried by a unanimous roll call vote.

A motion was made by Funk and seconded by D. Strack that the board accept the resignation of Julie Reynolds effective at the end of the 2017-2018 school year. Motion carried by a unanimous roll call vote.

A motion was made by Fogerson and seconded by Stoerger-Flavin that the board accept the resignation of Hilari Elzy effective at the end of the 2017-2018 school year. Motion carried by a unanimous roll call vote.

A motion was made by Scott and seconded by D. Strack that the board approve the building use agreement for recreational volleyball. Motion carried by a unanimous roll call vote.

The board discussed the cooperative sports agreements with Cerro Gordo. The 1/3-2/3 split, Cerro Gordo's student enrollment numbers, transportation costs, and Bement's involvement in the coaching interview process were sticking points with some board members. It was decided that the sports cooperative committee members should again meet with Cerro Gordo regarding these items. If a committee member is not available another board member would attend the meeting. The action item was tabled.

A motion was made by Stoerger-Flavin and seconded by D. Strack that the board approve the PRESS PLUS board policy changes as presented. Motion carried by a unanimous roll call vote.

A motion was made by Fogerson and seconded by Scott that the board adjourn at 9:39 p.m. Motion carried by a unanimous roll call vote.

BOARD PRESIDENT

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