



MEMORANDUM

TO: Indiana State Board of Education

FROM: Dana L. Long, Legal Counsel

Re: Amended Governing Body Selection Plan:
Board of School Trustees, Batesville Community School Corporation

DATE: August 1, 2012

The Board of School Trustees, Batesville Community School Corporation, has submitted the attached Resolution to amend its governing body selection plan to provide that members of the governing body be elected during the general election in November and take office on January 1st following the general election. The amended plan allows for the transition of terms of its elected members to reflect the change from the primary to the general election.

The plan as submitted satisfies the requirements of I.C. 20-23-8 and is recommended for approval by the State Board of Education pursuant to I.C. 20-23-8-15.

Enclosures

cc. File

RESOLUTION


WHEREAS, the Members of the Board of School Trustees of the Batesville Community School Corporation, Franklin and Ripley Counties, Indiana, (the "Board") are elected to four year terms at the general election and under the existing plan those elected take office on July 1 of the following year; and

WHEREAS, P.L. 179-2011 was enacted by the General Assembly and signed into law by the Governor, and said law provides among other things that those elected shall take office on January 1 of the following year; and

WHEREAS, if P.L. 179-2011 were followed in its entirety the outgoing members of the Board of School Trustees would serve only three and one half (3 ½) years which is not only contrary to the existing plan but in violation of Indiana law that provides that an elected term of office cannot be shortened; and

WHEREAS, the Board is desirous of passing a resolution amending its plan in order to transition the terms of its elected members to allow future elected members to take office on January 1 next following the election while not shortening the term of any elected member;

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED by the Board of School Trustees of the Batesville Community School Corporation, Franklin and Ripley Counties, Indiana, that despite the provisions of P.L. 179-2011 all existing members of the board of trustees whose four year terms were previously set to expire on June 30 will continue to serve all four years of their terms. Those persons elected to the board in the November, 2012 general election will serve a three and one half (3 ½) year term taking office on July 1, 2013 and serving until January 1, 2017. Thereafter those particular board seats will consist of four year terms. Likewise, those persons elected to the board in the November 2014 general election will serve a three and one half (3 ½) year term taking office on July 1, 2015 and serving until January 1, 2019. Thereafter those particular board seats will consist of four year terms.



Secretary, Board of Trustees of
BATESVILLE COMMUNITY
SCHOOL CORPORATION

Approved:



President, Board of School Trustees of
BATESVILLE COMMUNITY SCHOOL CORPORATION

Minutes of the Meeting
of the
BATESVILLE COMMUNITY SCHOOL CORPORATION
BOARD OF SCHOOL TRUSTEES
on Monday, March 19, 2012, at 6:00 P. M.
Held in the Batesville Middle School Commons
(Immediately preceded by an Executive Session at 5:00 P.M.)

Attending:

- Board Members: Chris Lowery, president; Mike Bettice, vice president; Wanita Linkel, secretary; Steve Stein and Ray Call, board members.
- Administrators: Jim Roberts, superintendent; Tim Hunter, buildings & grounds director; Sherri Preston, high school principal; Melvin Siefert, middle school principal; Jere Schoettmer, intermediate school principal; and Melissa Burton, BPS principal.
- Others: Constance Wintz, corporation treasurer; Debbie Blank & Mary Mattingly, media representatives; Tom Bruns and Tony Gutzwiller, Bruns-Gutzwiller Construction Company; Leo Turchyn and Megan Spreckelson, BCSC teachers; Ron McAllister and T. J. Greene, coaches; BHS students - Maddie Lambert, Maddie Phillips/parents; Julia Roell/parents; Aaron Cox/ parents; Bryce Timonera, Thomas Hatcher, Matt Weiler/parents; Sarah Epstein, Joey Hutchinson; and Andie Cox/family; Rob Wagner, parent; Mary Rogers and Jim Dreyer, patrons; and Angie Johnson, Executive Director of YMCA.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

The Board of School Trustees met in executive session to discuss personnel and negotiation matters. The Board hereby certifies that it discussed no subject matter in the executive hearing other than the subject matter it specified in the public meeting.

REGULAR SESSION

ITEM #1:

- 1a. Call to Order – Mr. Lowery called the meeting to order at 6:06 pm, followed by Leo Turchyn leading in the Pledge of Allegiance and a Moment of Silence.
- 1b. Recognition of BHS Cross Country Coaches – Head coaches Leo Turchyn and Ron McAllister were recognized for their fine, long careers in coaching cross country. These gentlemen are retiring from coaching this year.
- 1c. Recognition of Boys/Girls Swim Team - Coach Greene proudly acknowledged the swim team accomplishments for the 2011-12 school year. Ten swim team members finished 17th out of 81 teams.

ITEM #2: Consent Agenda Items

- 2a. Consideration of Minutes, Payroll Journals, Register of Claims, and Travel Requests
Minutes from the February 20 board meeting were approved. Payroll journals for March 2 and March 16, 2012, plus claims 1493 through 1670, as well as travel requests were reviewed and approved.

- 2b. Personnel
The enclosed personnel list is being recommended for approval.

Motion to accept: Steve Stein
Seconded by: Ray Call
Action: Unanimous approval

ITEM #3: Patron Comments /Questions – Mrs. Spreckelson recognized sixteen of her cadet teachers that were present at tonight’s meeting. Mary Rogers inquired on next year’s kindergarten options. Dr. Roberts stated Batesville will only offer full day kindergarten beginning with the 2012-13 school year due to the State approving funding of \$2,400.00 per student next year.

ITEM #4
4a. Consideration of Old Business
Regular Reports.

1. Superintendent

A. Financial Report - Dr. Roberts noted 15.3% of the 2012 general fund budget has been spent as of February 29.

B. Building Project Update

Mr. Guzwiler stated the BIS renovation dedication proposal is Sunday, July 29, 2012 from 1-3 p.m. Due to costs savings at the Batesville High School project, approximately \$500,000.00 is remaining to allow for office & security renovations.

C. Ivy Tech Partnership – Dr. Roberts announced that Batesville Community School Corporation plans to invest in the proposed expansion. Ivy Tech’s goal is to address the educational needs of students from pre-school through grade 14.

D. 2012 School Board Election – Dr. Roberts stated the new school board election process would result in the November election members taking office January 1. Therefore, two of our current board members would only serve three and a half year terms. In order to abide with the new law we are recommending a resolution allowing current members to maintain their four year terms at this time.

Motion to accept: Steve Stein
Seconded by: Ray Call
Action: Unanimous approval

E. School Policy - Dr. Roberts stated this is a first draft reading on a classified sick/personal days revision to align with the certified policy timeline. Revisions may occur in April with approval in May, if feasible.

F. Land Purchase Consideration – Dr. Roberts stated he was approached by Laura Hardebeck offering her home for sale to the school for future expansion. We had two independent appraisals of such land and the average amounted to \$89,500.00.

2. Board Committee Reports

A. Park Board – They will meet on March 21.

B. Athletic Council – They met on March 7. Mr. Ferguson addressed the 2012-2013 physicals requirement as well as freshmen orientation.

C. CREATE – They met on March 6 regarding the partnership of the three entities: BCSC, Oldenburg Academy, and Saint Louis School.

- D. BCEF (Batesville Community Education Foundation) – They met on April 12 to discuss their next fund raiser which is scheduled for Saturday, April 28, at Walhill Farms.
- E. Strategic Planning – They are continuing working with BEA regarding evaluations.
- F. CSHP (Coordinated School Health Program) – They met on February 27 to review other schools' concepts in order to aid each other.
- G. City of Batesville Economic Redevelopment Committee – No meeting to report.
- H. Grading Committee – Two recent meetings focused on consistent assessments and assignments of grades.
- I. Community Issues Committee – Their subcommittee met on February 23 and shared informative data.

ITEM #5: Consideration of New Business

- 5a. Overnight Trip Request - The request for the BHS FFA to travel to Lakeland College for a livestock judging contest is being recommended for approval. The dates are March 23-24, 2012.

Motion to accept: Wanita Linkel
 Seconded by: Mike Bettice
 Action: Unanimous approval

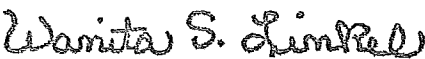
- 5b. Patron Comments – Angie Johnson, YMCA Executive Director, complimented the swim team on their taking the time to assist at the YMCA carnival in February. All students volunteered their time on a Saturday afternoon.
- 5c. Plus/Deltas – Plus/Deltas pertaining to tonight's meeting agenda were conducted by Dr. Roberts.


ITEM #6: Signatures.

ITEM #7: Adjournment – The meeting adjourned at approximately 7:28 pm. The next school board meeting is scheduled for Monday, April 16, 2012.


 Board President


 Vice President


 Board Secretary


 Board Member

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