

**Work Session/Regular Meeting Minutes
Bethel Board of Education
Tuesday, February 4, 2020**

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Auditorium
5:00 P.M.**

The Board of Education met in a Work Session/Regular meeting on Tuesday, February 4, 2020 in the elementary auditorium with Board President Jacob King presiding.

ROLL CALL @ 5:02 PM

Present: Mr. King, Mrs. Reese, Mrs. Sebastian, Mr. Elam, Mrs. Mansfield

McGOHAN BRABENDER-Justin Wiedle and Anne Marie Singleton

STIFEL, NICOLAUS, & COMPANY, INC.-Patrick King

HEARING OF THE PUBLIC REGARDING AGENDA ITEMS

President Mr. King called for the Hearing of the Public regarding agenda items, to which there was no response.

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NEW BUSINESS

ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION

1. McGohan Brabender
 - a. benefits
 - b. health and wellness

DISCUSSION: Mr. King asked how much for the services and when would the district be able to recoup the initial cost from potential savings. McGohan Brabender provided documentation to show potential savings ranging from 6% to 14%. Mrs. Mansfield asked how many schools they currently work with are EPC schools which Bethel is part of. McGohan Brabender provided those schools. Mrs. Sebastian asked how long have they worked with the school listed. McGohan Brabender stated they have been working with most of them for 10 years.

2. Stifel Niklaus
 - a. borrowing for next phase growth
 - b. refinancing of current bonds

DISCUSSION: Patrick King from Stifel provided some borrowing options to address the growth of the school. Options included a K-2 building, K-5 building, 6-8 building, and high school building. The same options were provided with additional funding of \$6 million for local funded initiatives. The cost was determined based on numbers provided from Levin Porter using OFCC guidelines. Based on the presentation and discussion, these options will be updated based on new information that was communicated during the discussion.

3. Master Facility Plan update (Levin Porter-Mike Huff)
 - a. how will it work?
 - b. timeline and meetings

DISCUSSION: Levin Porter shared the proposed timeline schedule of the master plan with forums with the community. This will be communicated with the community by flyer and with the school's media platforms.

4. Strategic Plan update

DISCUSSION: Mr. Firks provided an update. He hopes to have results soon. Follow up to come in the near future.

5. Medway Church update

DISCUSSION: Mr. Firks provided an update. The church responded with the district coming up with a proposed rental cost. Mr. Firks is going to gather data on what could be a proposed cost as well as other items that were brought up to the Board such as security, food services, custodians, etc.

6. Communications Director

DISCUSSION: Mr. Firks provided an update. The Board will provide any input or changes they would like to see to Mr. Firks. The job description will be presented to the Board to be approved at the February 10th Board meeting.

7. Finance Committee

DISCUSSION: Mrs. Reese asked if this could be put on the front page of the website to make more visible. The Board plans to assign board members and approve applications received at the next Board meeting.

8. Update on possible township referendum

DISCUSSION: Mrs. Sebastian provided notice that there is a seminar set for February 18th at the Bethel Fire station from 7-8 PM to talk about annexation.

9. US 40 and SR 201, US 40 and SR 202 intersections

DISCUSSION: Mrs. Sebastian is waiting on a call back from ODOT. Mr. King suggested the Board write a letter to ODOT outlining concerns with the intersections.

10. Summer workers (painting and grounds work)

DISCUSSION: Mr. Firks asked for input. The Board likes the idea of offering staff summer work who are not on a 260 contract. Mrs. Sebastian also likes the idea of offering work to students as it is a good showing to the community. Mr. Firks and Mr. Hattery will work to see a proposed rate for this job position as well as who may be interested.

11. Update on auctioning items (old cafeteria equipment and air compressor)

DISCUSSION: Based on discussion, the Board will look at doing an auction in summer for items no longer in use or obsolete.

12. Bethel Bees Branding Guidelines

DISCUSSION: Mr. Firks provided an update. This will be used to order any athletic apparel (uniforms) that the District is ordering. The branding will be provided to other school related organizations for information. Mr. Firks is going to update based on inquiries from the Board. Mr. Firks will present the guidelines for approval at the next Board meeting.

13. Work Session Meetings

DISCUSSION: The Board has set additional “work session” board meetings to be the 1st Tuesday of each month at 5:00 PM.

EXECUTIVE SESSION
2020-89

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Mrs. Reese moved to enter an executive session to consider the appointment, employment, dismissal, discipline, promotion, demotion, or compensation of a public employee or official, or the investigation of charges or complaints against a public employee, official, licensee, or regulated individual, unless the public employee, official, licensee, or regulated individual requests a public hearing and to discuss specialized details of security arrangements.

Seconded by: Mr. Elam

The Board entered an executive session at 9:29 PM

The following members answered roll call:

Mr. King, Mrs. Reese, Mrs. Sebastian, Mr. Elam, Mrs. Mansfield

The Board re-entered regular session at 10:32 PM

ADJOURNMENT
2020-90

Motioned by: Mrs. Sebastian to adjourn the meeting.

Seconded by: Mrs. Mansfield

Roll Call: Mr. King, Mrs. Reese, Mrs. Sebastian, Mr. Elam, Mrs. Mansfield

Nays: none

Motion carried: 5-0

Meeting adjourned at 10:32 pm

NOTE: If an executive session is required it may be placed anywhere in the order of the agenda, but often comes at the beginning or at the end. It is often anticipated in advance that an executive session will be necessary, but the board may call for such should the occasion arise, even though it does not appear on the prepared agenda. Executive sessions are permitted for certain specified situations. Only discussion may take place in executive sessions. Voting must be done in an open meeting

_____ *Treasurer*

_____ *President*