

**BAXTER COMMUNITY SCHOOL DISTRICT  
REGULAR BOARD MEETING  
AUGUST 21, 2024  
6P.M.**

**PRESENT:** President Cory Robinson, Jon Northrup, Tyler Akins, Ashley Kucera, Ray Hauser, Superintendent, Chris Petersen, Elementary Principal, Zach Hasselbrink, Secondary Principal, Clay Harrold, and Board Secretary, Julie McWhirter.

**OTHERS PRESENT:** Sue Atkinson; Student athletes: Avery Wonders, Kendall Brummel; former HS softball coach, Dan Tuhn

**I. Call to Order:** President Robinson called the August meeting to order at 6:00 P.M.

**II. Approval of Agenda:** Northrup, moved, seconded by Akins, to approve the agenda as presented. Motion carried (5y-0n).

**III. Approval of Consent Items:** Northrup moved, seconded by Hauser, to approve the payment of bills totaling \$184,753.81 and minutes of the July 17, 2024 regular board meeting as presented. Motion carried (5y-0n).

**IV. Correspondence:** Thank you to Baxter Rec for their generous donation towards the purchase of new bleachers in the east gym. This donation is in addition to their annual donation to help cover costs of supplies while they use the facilities for activities. The school library received a generous donation in memory of former, retired teacher Tim Robinson. Thank you again, we greatly appreciate it.

**V. Public Forum:** Sue Atkinson shared additional information on an email she sent earlier to board members. Student athletes: Avery Wonders and Kendall Brummel shared support for former HS softball coach, Dan Tuhn. Former HS softball coach, Dan Tuhn spoke on his own behalf regarding a non-renewal of a supplementary coaching contract.

**VI. Business Items:**

**A. Joint Grant Opportunities with Community Organizations:** On behalf of the Baxter Chamber of Commerce and Baxter Hometown Pride, Natalie Moorman shared information regarding grants she is working on that will interest the district.

**B. Principals' Reports:** Each month, principals, Zach Hasselbrink, and Clay Harrold, share activities during the past month.

**C. Review Board Policies 400's-600's:** Given how substantial these board policies are, board members will take an additional month to review board policies 400's-600's.

**D. Facilities, Grounds, and Transportation:** Mr. Petersen thanked the custodial for their hard work over the summer. Phase I of the concrete repair has been done and safety handles installed on the classroom doors.

**E. Open Enrollment:** Kucera moved, seconded by Northrup, to approve open enrollment out applications from: Desire Michelle Delk for her daughter, Harper; and Jennifer and Dillon Wright for their sons, Josiah and Henry to continue attending Newton CSD after recent moves into Baxter CSD; from Wendi Sue Dutton for her son, Trevyn to continue attending Marshalltown

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CSD after a recent move into Baxter CSD; and from Jeanice and Christopher Stratton for their son, Morgan, to attend CAM CSD, as recommended. Motion carried (5y-0n).

- F. Personnel:** Akins moved, seconded by Hauser, to approve the requirement of cheer and dance/drill coaches to obtain coaching authorizations beginning with the 2025-26 fiscal year, as recommended. Motion carried (5y-0n).

Hauser moved, seconded by Akins, to approve resignations from Dana Bucklin as MS volleyball coach; Jeremy Moffit as assistant MS baseball coach; and Fran DeVore as HS basketball cheer coach, as recommended. Motion carried (5y-0n).

Northrup moved, seconded by Kucera, to approve contracts for Kirsten Jurgensen as assistant MS volleyball coach; Hana Carpinteyro as assistant HS volleyball coach; Amanda Moorman as Newsletter Editor; Amanda Moorman as HS basketball cheer coach; Rob Luther as head HS football coach; and Nicole Burdess as assistant HS football cheer coach, as recommended. Motion carried (5y-0n).

- G. Exempt Session as allowed by IAC 497—8.3(4): To allow a governmental body to formulate its position on the terms and conditions of employment for non-union employees in private.**

Kucera moved, seconded by Hauser, to go into exempt session at 7:02pm as allowed by IAC 497—8.3(4): To allow a governmental body to formulate its position on the terms and conditions of employment for non-union employees in private. Motion carried (5y-0n).

Northrup moved, seconded by Akins, to come out of exempt session at 7:58pm. Motion carried. Motion carried (5y-0n).

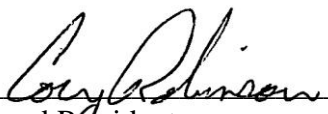
Northrup, moved, seconded by Kucera, to approve the non-renewal of a supplemental contract, as recommended. Motion carried (3y-2n).

**Roll Call: Yeas: Northrup, Kucera, Robinson**  
**Nays: Akins, Hauser**

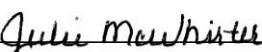
- H. Superintendent's Report:** Mr. Petersen shared highlights of the teachers beginning or returning for the new school year. Students will return on August 23. Elementary open house will be August 22 with the secondary open house on September 3. He updated board members on the recently vacated, shared elementary guidance counselor position. Administration will work to set live streaming fees for those wanting to stream extra-curricular activities rather than attend in person.

- VII. Adjournment:** Northrup moved, seconded by Akins, to adjourn the meeting. The meeting adjourned at 7:59pm. Motion carried (5y-0n).

At the regular September board meeting, board members will approve the August board meeting minutes.

  
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