

BUCHANAN COMMUNITY SCHOOLS, BERRIEN COUNTY, MICHIGAN

JULY 19, 2021

REGULAR MEETING

BUCHANAN HIGH SCHOOL

CALL TO ORDER

PRESIDENT: Dr. Harvey Burnett opened the meeting at 6:00pm

ROLL CALL

PRESENT: C. Lee, K. Berry, C. Carlson, K. Laesch, R. Writer, and H. Burnett

ABSENT: S. Carlin

OTHERS PRESENT: Superintendent Patricia Robinson

ADOPTION OF AGENDA

MOTION by **C. Carlson**, SECONDED BY Member **R. Writer** the agenda for the board meeting of July 19, 2021 be adopted as written.

ROLL CALL VOTE: C. Lee, K. Berry, C. Carlson, K. Laesch, R. Writer, and H. Burnett

NAYS: None **MOTION ADOPTED**

RECOGNITION OF VISITORS

Dr. Burnett welcomed visitors.

**SUPERINTENDENT/
DEPARTMENT REPORTS**

BCS 2021-22 Return to Learn Plan – Mrs. Robinson shared Buchanan Community Schools Return to Learn Plan. She reviewed a few key areas such as the use of face masks, vaccinations and transportation.

BCS Video Debut

**INFORMATION/REPORTS &
NEW BUSINESS**

Human Resource Committee – Mrs. Berry shared with the board highlights from the most recent meeting. Members spoke of open and filled positions, exit interview process, and the Administrative Assistant of Transportation, Operations & Food Service job description.

Finance Committee – Mr. Carlson briefed the board regarding reports that would be coming in the board packet.

**COMMUNITY DIALOGUE
CITIZENS CONCERNS**


Julie Legault – shared concerns regarding Covid testing.

**ADOPTION OF CONSENT
AGENDA**


MOTION by **C. Lee**, SECONDED BY Member **K. Berry**, the consent agenda for the regular board meeting of July 19th, 2021 be adopted as written:

1. Minutes:


 6-28-2021 Regular Meeting

 7-7-2021 Work Session/Retreat

2. Warrants:

 Treasury & Expenditure Reports – June 2021

3. Tenure for 2021-22 School Year:

 Tori Thomas

4. Recommendations to Hire as submitted by:

Superintendent, Mrs. Patricia Robinson
Director of Operations, Mr. Al Berget

Recommended Employee	Title
Jessica Elliott	9 th Grade English Teacher
Felicia Mack	Operation Utility Worker
Mike Cornelius	Maintenance Utility Worker
Syreeta Hassel	Transportation Supervisor

6. Staff resignation as submitted:

 Caitlyn Lustilla – Elementary Music Teacher

ROLL CALL VOTE: C. Lee, K. Berry, C. Carlson, K. Laesch, R. Writer, and H. Burnett

NAYS: None **MOTION ADOPTED**

BEA LETTER OF AGREEMENT

MOTION by **R. Writer**, SECONDED BY Member **K. Laesch**, the Buchanan Community Schools Board of Education approves the attached letter of agreement with the Buchanan Education Association.

ROLL CALL VOTE: C. Lee, K. Laesch, R. Writer, and H. Burnett

NAYS: None ABSTAINED: K. Berry and C. Carlson **MOTION ADOPTED**

SUPERINTENDENT CONTRACT CONTINUATION



MOTION by **R. Writer**, SECONDED BY Member **K. Laesch**, the Buchanan Community Schools Board of Education approves the continuation of the Superintendent's original three year contract.

ROLL CALL VOTE: C. Lee, K. Berry, C. Carlson, K. Laesch, R. Writer, and H. Burnett

NAYS: None **MOTION ADOPTED**

UPDATE AUTHORIZED BANKING USERS

MOTION by **C. Carlson**, SECONDED BY Member **K. Berry**, the Buchanan Community Schools Board of Education approves the following individuals to be authorized users on Buchanan Community Schools financial accounts:

 Carrie Brunsting
 Brian Brown

And the removal of following users:

 Mark Kurland
 Tom Tebeau

ROLL CALL VOTE: C. Lee, K. Berry, C. Carlson, K. Laesch, R. Writer, and H. Burnett

NAYS: None **MOTION ADOPTED**

BCS 2021-22 RETURN TO LEARN PLAN

MOTION by **K. Laesch**, SECONDED BY Member **R. Writer**, the Buchanan Community Schools Board of Education approves the Buchanan Community Schools 2021-22 Return to Learn Plan.

ROLL CALL VOTE: C. Lee, K. Berry, C. Carlson, K. Laesch, R. Writer, and H. Burnett

NAYS: None **MOTION ADOPTED**

STATEMENT OF ASSURANCE

MOTION by **K. Laesch**, SECONDED BY Member **R. Writer**, the Buchanan Board of Education approves the following Statement of Assurance as recommended by administration:

Buchanan Community Schools
Statement of Assurance of Compliance With Federal Law

Buchanan Community Schools complies with all federal laws and regulations prohibiting discrimination and with all requirements and regulations of the U.S. Department of Education. It is the policy of the Board of Education that no person on the basis of race, color, religion, national origin or ancestry, age, gender/sex, height, weight, marital status, or disability shall be subjected to discrimination in any program, service, or activity for which it is responsible or for which it receives financial assistance from the U.S. Department of Education. Compliance Officers for Affirmative Action and review of Federal requirements are as follows: Section 504, ADA, Title IX and Title VI; Brian Pruett (Buchanan High School Assistant Principal, 695-8404) and Shelby Beasley (Buchanan Middle School Principal, 695-8406).

ROLL CALL VOTE: C. Lee, K. Berry, C. Carlson, K. Laesch, R. Writer, and H. Burnett

NAYS: None **MOTION ADOPTED**

QUESTIONS & COMMENTS FROM BOARD MEMBERS

Mrs. Laesch thanked those who helped paint at the school farm.

Mrs. Berry appreciated the time and planning that went into our Return to Learn Plan.

NEXT BOARD MEETING

Monday, August 16, 2021 at 6pm

ADJOURNMENT

6:31 pm

Mrs. Kelly Laesch, Secretary, Board of Education
(Minutes adopted at the 8/16/21 meeting)