

BOARD MINUTES
BEMENT COMMUNITY UNIT SCHOOL DISTRICT 5
REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION
DECEMBER 9, 2020

The regular meeting of the Bement Community Unit School District 5 Board of Education was held Wednesday, December 9, 2020 by Zoom meeting. The meeting was called to order by board president Todd Scott at 7:02 p.m.

Board members present were Kyle Rogers, Janice Fogerson, Todd Scott, Denise Strack, Trixie Stoerger-Flavin, Layna Somers, and Jeff Funk.

Dr. Greenwood gave her principal's report on dress-up days the week before Christmas break and returning remote learners.

Dr. Greenwood gave her superintendent's report on the upcoming transition planning day, second semester in-person and remote learning numbers, work being done on the bus contract, the proposal to the Monticello School board regarding the possible cooping of high school wrestling and soccer, and the Kirby Rapid Testing for students and staff. A public hearing regarding the E-learning plan was held.

Mr. Kepley gave his middle school/high school principal's report on the student conduct reward, remote and in-person learning numbers, service learning activities and high school scholastic bowl.

Mr. Kepley told the board that the coop proposal had been sent to Cerro Gordo. Cerro Gordo rejected Bement's proposal and came back with their own proposal. In this proposal Cerro Gordo would host football, volleyball, boys' and girls' basketball, cheerleading, boys and girls track. The host school would schedule all games, hire all officials, all practices would be at their facility, and they would be in charge of all finances (revenue and expenditures). The host school would hire all coaches with the other district involved in the interview process.

Bement would host boys' and girls' cross country, baseball and softball. The proposal also included middle school sports with Cerro Gordo hosting volleyball and boys and girls track. Bement would host boys' and girls' basketball and cross country. Softball and baseball were also proposed with Bement hosting. The start-up for these two sports would be a 50/50 split on expenses.

The board discussed the proposal and found it unacceptable. Mr. Kepley and Mr. Cline will start to communicate with the board prior to any further negotiations.

A motion was made by Fogerson and seconded by Stoerger-Flavin that the closed session minutes of the November 11, 2020 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 Scott that the open session minutes of the November 11, 2020 regular meeting of the board of education be approved as presented. Motion carried by a unanimous roll call vote.

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

The board reviewed the treasurer's report.

A motion was made by Strack and seconded by Funk that the board adjourn to closed session at 8:30 p.m. to discuss the appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance or dismissal of specific personnel. Motion carried by a unanimous roll call vote.

A motion was made by Stoerger-Flavin and seconded by Somers that the board return to open session at 8:53 p.m. Motion carried by a unanimous roll call vote.

A motion was made by Rogers and seconded by Stoerger-Flavin that the board approve the Certificate of Tax Levy for 2020 payable in 2021. Motion carried by a unanimous roll call vote.

A motion was made by Funk and seconded by Somers that the board approve the Bement E-Learning Plan. Motion carried by a unanimous roll call vote.

A motion was made by Scott and seconded by Funk that the board approve the hiring of Kate Ruggless as middle school head volleyball coach contingent on the season being conducted. Motion carried by a unanimous roll call vote.

A motion was made by Somers and seconded by Stoerger-Flavin that the board approve the hiring of Andrew Brown as middle school boys' basketball assistant coach contingent on the season being conducted. Motion carried by a unanimous roll call vote.

A motion was made by Fogerson and seconded by Stoerger-Flavin that the board adjourn at 9:01 p.m. Motion carried by a unanimous roll call vote.

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