

**MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION
OF REORGANIZED SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 4
BLUE SPRINGS, JACKSON COUNTY, MISSOURI**

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The Board of Education of the Reorganized School District No. 4, County of Jackson, State of Missouri, met in regular session at 6:15 p.m., January 22, 2024, in the Professional Learning Center of the Gale T. Bartow Administrative Center, 1801 NW Vesper, Blue Springs, Missouri.

Present: Mr. Hawk, Mr. Siems, Mr. Swanson, Mrs. Gilstrap, Mrs. Coen, Mrs. Agate, and Mrs. Swank
Absent: None

President Hawk noted all board members were in attendance and called the meeting to order at 6:15 p.m.

President Hawk asked for any objections to the adoption of the Consent Agenda.

No. 36 Hearing no objections, President Hawk stated the following consent agenda items were approved by unanimous consent as presented:

- a. minutes of the regular board meeting of December 11, 2023
minutes of the special board meeting of January 8, 2024
- b. ratification of cash disbursements
- c. approval of the monthly check register over \$15,000
- d. approval of execution of specified contracts
- e. certified personnel items as follows:
 1. employment of the following certified personnel for the 2023-2024 school year:
 - a. Chloe Bailey – Bachelor Degree, University of Central Missouri, no experience, Level A, PT Interventionist, Chapel Lake Elementary School
 2. employment of the following certified personnel for the 2024-2025 school year:
 - a. Rylee Bishop – Bachelor Degree, University of Central Missouri, no experience, Level A, elementary level, location to be determined
 - b. Tom Blake – Bachelor Degree, University of Missouri-Columbia, five years experience, Level A, Social Studies, Moreland Ridge Middle School
 - c. Carly Cook – Bachelor Degree, University of Central Missouri, no experience, Level A, elementary level, location to be determined
 - d. Melanie DuPont – Bachelor Degree, Northwest Missouri State University, no experience, Level C, high school math, location to be determined
 - e. Halie Engler – Bachelor Degree, Northwest Missouri State University, no experience, Level A, middle school math, location to be determined
 - f. Halle Galloway – Bachelor Degree, Missouri Valley College, no experience, Level A, elementary level, location to be determined
 - g. Shelby Johnson – Bachelor Degree, University of Kansas, no experience, Level A, Social Studies, Paul Kinder Middle School
 - h. Madison Johnson – Bachelor Degree, Northwest Missouri State University, no experience, Level A, elementary level, location to be determined
 - i. Katy Knudsen – Bachelor Degree, Northwest Missouri State University, no experience, Level A, Science, Blue Springs South High School
 - j. Taylor McSparin – Master Degree, Northwest Missouri State University, six years experience, Level F, Math, Moreland Ridge Middle School

- k. Eric Mitchell – Education Specialist, Northwest Missouri State University, twenty-five years experience, Level K, elementary level, location to be determined
 - l. Nicole Mittone – Bachelor Degree, University of Central Missouri, no experience, Level A, elementary level, location to be determined
 - m. Libby Newman – Bachelor Degree, University of Missouri-Columbia, no experience, Level A, elementary level, location to be determined
 - n. Parker Oles – Bachelor Degree, University of Missouri-Columbia, eleven years experience, Level D, Math, Blue Springs High School
 - o. Olivia Rosenberger – Bachelor Degree, University of Iowa, four years experience, Level A, elementary level, location to be determined
 - p. Eden Tolliver – Bachelor Degree, University of Central Missouri, no experience, Level A, elementary level, location to be determined
 - q. Willinda Watkins-Charumuka – Master Degree, Arizona State University, sixteen years experience, Level J, Orchestra, Delta Woods Middle School
 3. retirement resignations effective at the end of the 2023-2024 school year:
 - a. Amy Borchers – William Yates Elementary School
 - b. Laura Cook – Brittany Hill Middle School
 - c. Theresa Curtis – Sunny Pointe Elementary School
 - d. Karen Doolin – Moreland Ridge Middle School
 - e. Ellen Forester – Hall-McCarter Education Center
 - f. Lisa Hedrick – John Nowlin Elementary School
 - g. Amy D. McDonald – John Nowlin Elementary School
 - h. Phyllis McClain – Delta Woods Middle School
 - i. Brenda Mullendore – Voy Spears Jr. Elementary School
 - j. Gina Oles – Paul Kinder Middle School
 - k. Katherine Wilbers – Blue Springs South High School
 - l. Wendy Woodward – Moreland Ridge Middle School
 - f. bid tabulations on the following items:
 1. Mobile Risers – FSE
 2. Computer Monitors – HS Staff Refresh
 - g. the following student trips as requested:
 1. Blue Springs High School Jazz Ensemble – Performance – January 25 and 26, 2024 – Lake Ozark, Missouri
 2. Blue Springs High School Cheerleading – Competition – February 7 through 12, 2024 – Orlando, Florida
 3. Blue Springs High School Dance Team – Competition – March 6 through 12, 2024 – Orlando, Florida
 4. Blue Springs South High School Baseball – Tournament – March 15, 2024 – Rogers, Arkansas
 5. Blue Springs and Blue Springs South High School Robotics – Competition – March 19 through 23, 2024 – Cedar Falls, Iowa
 6. Blue Springs and Blue Springs South High School HOSA – Competition – March 25 and 26, 2024 – Rolla, Missouri

President Hawk asked for any objections to the adoption of the Regular Agenda.

No. 37 Hearing no objections, President Hawk stated the adoption of the regular agenda was approved by unanimous consent as presented.

Katie Woolf announced that Gabrielle Brown, FACS teacher at Valley View High School, was the January Employee of the Month. President Hawk presented a plaque and gift bag in recognition of the award. Mrs. Brown thanked the board and her administrator for the award, her high school and college teachers for becoming friends, colleagues, and mentors, and her husband and friends for their support.

Katie Woolf announced Simarjit Panesar, 7th grader at Moreland Ridge Middle School, as the January Student of the Month. Simarjit was presented with a plaque and gift bag by President Hawk. She thanked the district for the honor, the staff and administrators at MRMS for their support and help, and her parents and sister for pushing her to be an example to others.

Jason Woolf introduced Brittany Hill Middle School Principal Jill Gunlock for presentation of the program highlight, featuring the Explo Ambassadors class. BHMS students Morgan Allison, Amarii Johnson, and Emma Schnakenberg discussed the projects and favorite lessons from the class and how they integrate the I AM Noticed program. Kinley Leiker and Landon Berka – students from their partner class at Voy Spears Jr. Elementary School – also shared their experience. BHMS teacher Tyler Cardwell expressed his appreciation to the board and district for offering the class.

The public meeting adjourned at 6:47 p.m.

Karin E. Keener, Secretary
Blue Springs R-IV Board of Education

Robert Hawk, President
Blue Springs R-IV Board of Education