

## Board of Education Workshop

Monday, May 9, 2022

4:30 PM

Workshop

Hanover Elementary

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### MINUTES

Present: Bob Sansevere, Adam Bjorklund, Amanda Lawrence, Amanda Reineck, Melissa Brings, Sue Lee, Ken Ogden

Absent: none

#### 1. Presentation: Brad Koltes, Hanover Elementary Principal

Started as a trail through the school property. During the pandemic, it was logical to set this up as an outdoor classroom. Jenny Boldt has spearheaded the project. Have installed cameras, feeding stations, benches. Area is used by many others in the community. Picnic tables now in the amphitheater area. Have received some grants for curriculum materials and outdoor portable desks. Tapped some trees for maple syrup. Students help with clearing the trails and clearing litter. Fourth grades go through with second graders and explain things to them. Science standards are changing for 2022-23 and the ability to do field studies will be very helpful.

#### 2. Winter Activities Review

##### A. BHS - Nick Guida, BHS Activities Director

Participation numbers have rebounded from COVID. Recaps of winter activities were provided. Working with students who have experienced the 2-year COVID gap at BHS.

Discussion: coaches are active in seeing students in their club and youth programs. Three-sport students – numbers have been decreasing. Girls wrestling is coming.

##### B. BCMS - John Hayden, BCMS Activities Director

Good to see participation coming back. Fortunate this year to provide a theater experience at the middle school level. Always a struggle with wrestling participation numbers.

#### 3. BHS Graduation Requirements Proposal - Pam Miller, Director of Teaching and Learning

Information has been presented to both District and Community T&L Committees. On track for making this transition for the 2023-24 school year. Currently require 30 credits (out of a possible 32), of which 16.5 are required courses and 13.5 are required elective credits. Credit requirements are changing:

English – will require English Literature and Composition

Social Studies – will require a Human Geography course as a senior

Personal Finance – will add this as a requirement (currently an elective)

Phy Ed/Health – requirement will decrease from 3 terms to 2 terms (state requirement is still met).

Currently on track with the transition process to move to trimesters.

Discussion: have found several districts that either have already or are transitioning to a trimester schedule. Prep time will be within contract guidelines. All affected departments are in favor of and excited for these changes.

4. Community Education Budget - Kim Carlson, Director of Community Education Participation is coming back in all programs from classes to KidKare. There are some staffing shortages in aquatics and KidKare. Drivers Ed fees have been increased. Vehicles will be paid off next year. Open Doors is a consortium and numbers are a little slower to come back. ECFE is trying to provide more classes with less fees and spend down that fund balance. Facility Use is up and have added a church use at Hanover Elementary. United for Youth – the coordinator resigned and the position will be reassigned as part of the Youth Enrichment Coordinator position that is being advertised.

Discussion: United for Youth funds come from the County. Drivers Ed vehicles require certification after a certain number of years and may require hybrid/electric in the future.

5. Quarterly Investment Report - Ryan Tangen, Director of Finance and Operations Expenditures are pretty consistent but revenues fluctuate. June 30<sup>th</sup> will show our revenues to be higher than projected. OPEB Trust is experiencing a negative impact due to the current financial climate.
6. Quarterly Financial Update - Miranda Kramer, Controller Food Services – revenues are up and exceeding expenditures. Mainly due to receipt of Federal Funds. Community Services revenues are up. General Fund has seen some fluctuation, but overall expenditures as a percentage of the budget are similar from year to year.

#### 7. Committee Reports

BS – WTC

KO – Safe Schools

AL – DCT&L

AR – DCT&L

#### 8. Other

Adjourned at 6:40 p.m.