

**Minutes of Board Workshop**  
**ISD 877 Board of Education**  
**Buffalo-Hanover-Montrose Schools**

Monday, September 10, 2018  
Buffalo Community Middle School  
4:30 PM

Present: Dave Wilson, Amanda Reineck, Sue Lee, Ken Ogden, Bob Sansevere, Laurie Raymond  
Absent: Melissa Brings

1. Buffalo Community Middle School Presentation, Matt Lubben, BCMS Principal  
Presentation about first day of school for sixth graders. 100% of students able to participate compared to 70% with Middle School 101, etc., which took place during the summer. Have received many positive comments from both staff and parents. Cell phones must be kept in lockers during class time.
2. 2018 Spring Activities Review
  - A. BHS, Tom Bauman, BHS Activities Director  
Difficult start due to weather but able to get all contests in. Participation is down slightly over past years. Conference update: Will no longer be a part of the Mississippi 8 as of 2019-20. Have applied to the Lake Conference. If after 3 applications to various conferences, we are denied, we would be placed by the MSHSL.
  - B. BCMS, John Hayden, BCMS Activities Director  
Remembering the bad start due to winter weather lasting longer than normal. Saw a slight increase in participation. Great coaches involved in spring activities. The new fields are being worked on the south side of the building. Seeding taking place this fall for use next year. Girls participation is down in some areas and can be attributed to specialization in some areas such as volleyball, i.e., JO Volleyball.
3. Preliminary Tax Levy Update, Gary Kawlewski, Director of Finance and Operations  
Projecting an increase in the levy of \$299,486. Almost all due to property valuation changes. On average, there is a 5% increase in property values, so a \$200,000 home increases in value to a \$210,000 home and the tax increase is projected to be \$18 per year. Will ask the Board to approve the maximum amount at the next Board meeting.
4. 1st Day Enrollment, Scott Thielman, Superintendent

First day enrollment came in approximately 80+ students over projections. Kindergarten class is under 400 which we hope will increase over time. New construction taking place on the northeast side of the district (Buffalo attendance area). All of our buildings have room available for more students.

5. Committee Reports

KO – United for Youth

SL – WTC

6. Other

Adjourned at 6:00 p.m.