



The New Bremen Local Board of Education met in regular session at 7:00 p.m. in the Community Room.

Roll Call: Mr. Scott Bertke, Mrs. Shelly Busse, Mr. Doug Hall, Mr. Tom Paul and Mr. Cory Suchland. Also present were Superintendent Jason Schrader and Treasurer Jill Ahlers.

President Tom Paul led the pledge of allegiance.

Mr. Mike Nauman from Nauman & Zelinski LLC presented the results of the evaluation of the chilled water system in the high school.

The study addressed the following:

- Air handling unit 6 serving the gymnasium operating issues related to condensation and high humidity detrimental effects
- New chiller sizing recommendations for the replacement chiller needed due to lightning damage to the original chiller
- Improvements to the chiller system operation
- Brief consideration of air conditioning the locker room

Recommendations from Nauman & Zelinski include:

- Keeping the gymnasium AH-6 unit in place and correcting the controls, drainage and unconditioned air infiltration. The unit is in relatively good condition, is well maintained and has substantially remaining useful life.
- Implement the suggested chilled water system improvements. This will help downsize the chiller as well as provide the highest level of energy efficiency.
- Be aggressive with chiller sizing and go with a nominal 100 ton chiller (perhaps up to 120 tons or so with improved energy efficiency of newer chillers; the key is to not change out the electrical service) knowing there may be short falls once in a great while.
- If cooling was integrated into AH-7, otheir recommendation would be to replace the unit and incorporate energy recovery to reduce the cooling capacity requirement; this would have the side benefit of reducing the heating requirement as well. Additional study would be needed to find a location for the unit; it may well need to be a rooftop type unit with integrated, self- contained cooling.

Elementary Principal, Diane Kramer, submitted the following report:

1. CONTINUOUS IMPROVEMENT

- For three days in September, Polly Rodgers, our 6th grade language arts teacher, attended training on updates and changes to the State ELA Tests students will be taking this spring. She gained valuable insight regarding curriculum that she will be sharing with ELA teachers at the in-service on October 13th.
- District and building Value-Added reports were released at the end of last week. Value-added shows the growth individual students and groups of students make from one year to the next. I will be sharing these results with teachers. Teacher level Value-Added reports will be released in mid-October.

2. INSTRUCTION

- Learning opportunities for students outside of our classroom walls:
 - Fifth grade students visited Brukner Nature Center on September 21, 22, and 25th.



- Eighth grade students attended a Tri-Star visitation day on October 6th.
- Sixth grade students will be going on a manufacturing field trip to Crown, Coldwater Machine, and JR Manufacturing on October 27th.
- Eighth grade students will be leaving for Washington DC the evening of October 16th and return the morning of the 20th.

3. SCHOOL OPERATIONS, RESOURCES AND LEARNING ENVIRONMENT

- The Cardinal Jets running club completed another successful season. Approximately 190 students in grades K-6 practiced weekly after school during the month of September. They finished the season with two culminating events. They ran prior to the cross country meet on Thursday, September 28th and prior to the varsity football game on Friday, October 6th. This was a wonderful experience for all the students and volunteers involved
- Spirit Week was held September 18-22nd in recognition of homecoming. Students did a great job showing Cardinal Spirit by participating in the dress up days. The culminating activity was a K-12 pep rally at the high school.
- Over past couple weeks we have been reviewing our safety procedures conducting a fire drill, lockdown drill, and evacuation drill with the assistance of Chief Skinner and the New Bremen Fire Department.

4. COLLABORATION

- Teachers will have the following collaboration opportunities at the upcoming teacher in-service: Virtual Classroom, UDL, Foundations, and ELA State Tests/curriculum/Standards

5. PARENT AND COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

- The first Kindergarten Project Ease was held Tuesday, September 26th. Students invited a parent or grandparent back to school in the evening for a special literacy activity. For this session, students listed to the popular children's book *The Very Hungry Caterpillar* by Eric Carle. The follow up activity focused on story elements, sequencing, and retelling.
- Fire prevention week is October 9-13th. On Friday, October 20th, members from the New Bremen Fire Department will give a fire safety presentation for students in grades 1-3 while our kindergarten students will get to explore a real fire truck and learn what it is like to be a fire fighter.
- Online parent-teacher conference scheduling will continue through October 20th. Conferences will be held the evening of October 30th and November 2nd and during the day on November 3rd.

6. SPECIAL EDUCATION/INCLUSION

- Our UDL (Universal Design of Learning) Team will be presenting a UDL introduction and overview to all staff member during the teacher in-service on October 13th. The focus will be on helping teachers realize there really aren't any



“average” students. We need to teach to the strengths of each individual student, not just what we perceive as “average”.

- Day two of UDL training will be October 18th.

High School Principal, Brian Pohl, submitted the following report:

1. Andy Bundy is working with several students to learn the light and sound systems for the auditorium, those students are; Caleb Bundy, Ian Frey, Evan Gregg, and Harry Kaiser.
2. Homecoming Court, Freshman-Zoe Lane & Sam Sailer, Sophomore-Cassie Stachler & Brennan Tinnerman, Juniors-Anna Clint & Grant Selby, Senior Girls-Caitlyn Bergman, Emily Bertke, Julie Goettemoeller & Sammy Kuck(Queen), Senior Boys-Cale Brackman, Ezra Ferguson, Avery Powers & Charlie Sailer(King).
3. It was Assisted Living Week at Elmwood and the band helped kick-off the festivities by playing at the balloon lunch and cheerleaders cheered at the closing ceremonies.
4. Guidance Counselor, Tricia Wendel and I attended the annual Tri-Star meeting, they will break ground on their new facility on Sept. the 15th.
5. The HS Team of Loresa Burden, Jordyn Trabue, Chad Williams and I attended the Universal Design for Learning Day 1 Training.
6. The district report card came out with a focus on Indicators Met, AMO, and Gap Closing Component Grades.
7. Katelyn Paulus was named a Commended Student in the 2018 National Merit Scholar Program.
8. New NHS Members were tapped. The new members are: Amy Balster, Ryan Bertke, Kayla Bergman, Sara Champagne, Micah Condon, Lauren Cordonnier, Caylie Hall, Andrea Heitkamp, Brandon Heitkamp, Abby Kaiser, Harrison Kaiser, Jarod Keller, Rachel Kremer, Benjamin Kuck, Abby McNaughton, Kelly Naylor, Madison Pape, Casey Parker, Erin Smith, Molly Smith, Jacob Rindler, Keanua Rismiller, Jacob Tangeman, Hannah Tenkman, Justin Tenkman, Abbi Thieman, Katelyn This, Luke Vonderhaar, Lillian Wilson, and Evan Wint.
9. We concluded Sprit Week with a district-wide pep rally for Homecoming Week.
10. I have met with all new students to the district, both incoming freshman and other new or returning students. We discuss their involvement in clubs, activities and sports, plans and goals after high school, and their strengths and interests.
11. I have met with students on the D/F list and they should be seeing teachers to raise their grade before the end of the 9 weeks on October 23.
12. I completed a round of Classroom Walkthroughs.
13. The band earned a “1 Rating” at our New Bremen Marching Band Invitational on Saturday which will send them to state competition this fall, further details will be relayed as plans are made, it currently looks like November 3 will be the date and it will be near Cleveland.
14. NBHS students interested in manufacturing related careers toured the Honda Engine plant in Anna. The students reported an appreciation for seeing the production lines first-hand. They also benefitted from a college and career fair and a new model car show before leaving the plant.
15. NBHS students in the sophomore class toured Crown here in New Bremen.



Athletic Director, Gary Jones, submitted the following report:

1. Thank you to all of the community members that helped with the football bleacher painting project. We have received several compliments on the new look.
2. We have received several compliments on the new speaker system at the football stadium.
3. The baseball diamond has been updated with slats placed in the outfield fence. This will take place of the windscreens that have been previously used.
4. We do have slats for the softball fence and will be working on this project before next season.
5. The athletic booster club, with the help of Coach Wells, is putting a press box in the storage room which will be similar to the press box at the softball stadium. This will allow media a place to do radio and television games out of possible bad weather.
6. The varsity volleyball team received the top seed at the Van Wert District. Our first tournament game will be on Thursday 10/19 at home starting at 6:30 PM vs. the winner of Antwerp and Parkway.
7. We are currently contacting a few schools for being a possible week 1 and week 2 football opponent starting in 2018.
8. Our uniform supplier Russell Athletics will discontinue making team uniforms starting in 2018. We are currently working with our sports dealers to find another company that will meet our needs for uniforms.

Technology Director, Brian Puthoff, submitted the following report:

- Online State Testing begins later this month with the 3rd grade fall reading test. All testing computers have been updated with the latest secure testing browsers.
- We are beginning to look at the Google Education platform for our students. We currently use Microsoft's Office 365 platform (and have for years) and feel this platform is still advantageous for our students because higher education and corporations use Office 365 instead of Google. However, we feel it would also be advantageous for our students to be familiar with multiple online productivity platforms, like Google and Office 365. We plan to have a pilot program of the Google platform in place at the start of the second semester.

Treasurer Recommendations

1. Approve the Regular School Board Meeting minutes on September 13, 2017.
2. Approve the General Fund Paid Bills \$ 56,898.25
3. Approve the Lunchroom Fund Paid Bills . . . \$ 7,701.20
4. Approve the 5-year Forecast dated October 11, 2017
5. Approve the sale of the 1998 school bus that was replaced by the new school bus purchased this summer. The bus was sold through the Public Surplus Auction site for \$2,300.00.
6. Establish Fund #599, Title IV – Student Support and Academic Achievement with anticipated revenues and appropriations of \$10,000.



7. Establish the following funds for the construction of the new K-8 building:

Fund	Revenues & Appropriations
002-917A K-8 Building Bond Retirement	\$581,321.79
004-917A K-8 Building Fund - LFI	\$8,027,377.29
010-917L K-8 Bldg Project Construction – Local Share	\$6,663,347.28
010-917S K-8 Bldg Project Construction – State Share	\$5,676,185.00

17-92 Motion by Bertke, second by Hall that the board approve the motions contained in the Treasurer’s recommendations as presented. Upon the call of the roll, the vote was as follows: Bertke, yes; Busse, yes; Hall, yes; Paul, yes; Suchland, yes. Motion Carried.

Superintendent Recommendations

1. Supplemental Contracts

Employ the following individuals for one-year contracts for the 2017-18 school year in the following supplemental positions:

Position	Individual	Step
District Leadership Team	Donna Schmitmeyer	1
District Leadership Team	Molly Rush	1
District Leadership Team	Theresa Newbright	3
District Leadership Team	Loresa Burden	3
District Leadership Team	Shannon Heckman	1
District Leadership Team	Diana Kramer	1

2. Resolution

RESOLUTION

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE TRANSFER OF MONIES FROM THE BOND RETIREMENT FUND TO A SPECIFIC PERMANENT IMPROVEMENT FUND

[RC 5705.14(C)(2)]

WHEREAS, there is presently an unexpended balance in the Bond Retirement Fund of the School District as of December 31, 2017, all indebtedness, interest, and other obligations for the payment of which such fund exists having final payment December 1, 2017; and

WHEREAS, Ohio Revised Code Section 5705.14(C)(2) allows the School District to transfer a portion of such monies to a specific permanent improvement fund, even if all of the obligations payable from the Bond Retirement Fund have not been retired, provided the County Budget Commission where the School District is located approves the transfer and determines that such monies will not be required to meet the obligations payable from such fund; and

WHEREAS, the determination of the Budget Commission shall consider all of the following: the balance of the Bond Retirement Fund; the outstanding obligations payable from such fund; and the sources and timing of such fund’s revenue.



WHEREAS, in order to request the Budget Commission's approval, a resolution authorizing the transfer of funds must be passed by the affirmative vote of two-thirds of its members; and

WHEREAS, this Board has determined that it is necessary to transfer all of the unexpended balance in the Bond Retirement Fund as of December 31, 2017 to a specific permanent improvement fund as follows: all of the balance of the High School Special Cost Center.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF EDUCATION OF THE NEW BREMEN LOCAL SCHOOL DISTRICT, AUGLAIZE, MERCER AND SHELBY COUNTIES, OHIO, TWO-THIRDS OF THE MEMBERS ELECTED THERETO CONCURRING, THAT:

Section 1. The Treasurer of the Board is hereby authorized and directed to execute and deliver, on behalf of the Board, this Resolution and the Certificate of Treasurer attached hereto, and any such additional instruments, documents, agreements, contracts, certificates, and other papers as may be necessary or appropriate in order to carry out the intent of this Resolution.

Section 2. The Treasurer of the Board is hereby directed to forward a certified copy of this Resolution to the County Auditor of Auglaize County, Ohio, as Secretary of the Auglaize County Budget Commission.

Section 3. It is hereby found and determined that all formal actions of this Board concerning and relating to the passage of this Resolution were adopted in an open meeting of this Board, and that all deliberations of this Board and of any of its committees that resulted in such formal action were in meetings open to the public in compliance with all legal requirements, including R.C. Section 121.22.

17-93 Motion by Busse, second by Suchland that the board approve the items contained in the Superintendent Recommendations as presented. Upon the call of the roll, the vote was as follows: Busse, yes; Hall, yes; Paul, yes; Suchland, yes; Bertke, yes. Motion carried.


Informational Items

1. Jason Schrader has demonstrated proficiency in the Ohio Principal Evaluation Process and is now a Credentialed Principal Evaluator.
2. Plans are in place to pilot a new program which includes purchasing a classroom set of Chromebooks to be used in Ms. Ross's Spanish classes. This will aid us in our research of going 1:1 in the future.

17-94 Motion by Hall, second by Bertke to adjourn to executive session for the purpose of Property Purchase or Sale at 7:50 p.m. Upon the call of the roll, the vote was as follows: Suchland, yes; Bertke, yes; Busse, yes; Hall, yes; Paul, yes. Motion Carried.

17-95 Motion by Suchland, second by Hall to return to regular session at 8:55 p.m. Motion carried unanimously.

17-96 Motion by Busse, second by Paul to adjourn the meeting at 8:56 p.m. Motion carried unanimously.



President



Treasurer