



BREMEN HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT 228

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REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

BREMEN HIGH SCHOOL - TUESDAY, JANUARY 18, 2022

- 1 President Resler called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.
- 2 Board of Education
Present: Mrs. Gleason, Mr. Johnson, Mrs. Kampwirth, Mrs. List, Mr. Whitcomb, Mrs. Resler
Absent: Ms. Stearns
Central Office & Principals
Present: Dr. Sikora, Dr. Williams, Mrs. Morrison, Dr. Giglio-Byczek, Dr. Boswell, Mrs. Taylor, Dr. Nolan, Mr. Towner, Dr. Rucinski, Mrs. Dempsey, Ms. Collins
- 3 Mrs. Gleason moved to approve the Regular and closed meeting minutes of December 21, 2021. Mrs. List seconded the motion. Roll call vote indicated:
Ayes: Mrs. Gleason, Mrs. List, Mr. Johnson, Mrs. Kampwirth, Mr. Whitcomb, Mrs. Resler
Nays: None
 Mr. Whitcomb moved to approve the Committee of the Whole meeting minutes of January 11, 2022. Mrs. Gleason seconded the motion. Roll call vote indicated:
Ayes: Mr. Whitcomb, Mrs. Gleason, Mr. Johnson, Mrs. Kampwirth, Mrs. List, Mrs. Resler
Nays: None
- 4 Mrs. Resler opened the floor to the public for comments.
 There being no public comments, Mrs. Resler closed the floor to the public.
- 5 Dr. Williams presented the Academic Achievement Report with provided the Illinois State Board of Education’s goals under ESSA, the components of ESSA, District 228’s story, and multiple academic initiatives.
- 6 Dr. Sikora reported the following:
Superintendent’s Report
District 228 - Preparations are beginning for the 2022-2023 school year. Students are in the process of selecting their courses, and we will soon be calculating the number of teacher sections and making very important staffing decisions. Our goal remains to provide a high level of service and support to our students while maintaining fiscal responsibility.

Call to Order

Roll Call

Minutes

Communications

Presentation

Reports

Board of Education - The Illinois Association of School Boards South Cook Division Meeting scheduled for Saturday, February 5, 2022, has been changed to virtual due to the Omicron Covid variant and uncertainty of the weeks ahead. Login to iasb.com or contact Tiffany to register.

IDPH/ISBE Covid Guidance - There is new guidance for Covid from the Illinois Department of Public Health and Illinois State Board of Education. The Board will be updated as new information becomes available.

Principal Reports

Delta, Mrs. Collins – Presented one of the Delta graduates. He reported that he had a good experience with the program and appreciates the support provided. He did not do what he needed during his time in school, but is happy to have had the opportunity to finish and receive his high school diploma.

Bremen, Mrs. Rucinski – Reported that Bremen student, Ricardo Avala, placed 6th in IHSA Bowling regionals and 65 DECA students will be competing virtually this weekend. Band submitted a virtual audition and were selected to represent on March 6th. The Diversity Club is preparing for Black History Month. Black Health and Wellness will be the theme.

Tinley Park, Dr. Nolan. – Held first honors assembly with a breakfast. Students who fall below benchmarks are participating in a reading program. Formal SAT prep program for Juniors through Sylvan is underway. Renee Mack has worked with Industrial Tech Teacher for a magazine.

Oak Forest, Mrs. Dempsey – Reported the Bengals have shattered the remaining 4-year old records in swim (diving), a senior became the leading point scorer in OF history. Two senior members of the OF bowling team bowled perfect games. Participation in several conference championships. Offering staff meditation and yoga to assist with the stress of Covid. Dr. Sikora covered classes for one period as an incentive for teachers.

Hillcrest, Mr. Towner – Reported on the transition at Hillcrest. Met with each administrator regarding day-day activities, as well as the teaching staff. Feels the school is heading in the right direction with a lot of positive feedback. Will meet with students the next week. Dr. Sikora and Mr. Alexander have been very helpful.

Freedom of Information Act Requests

Since the last regular Board meeting, we have received the following Freedom of Information Act requests.

- Cass T. Casper, Disparti Law Group, requested all written communications between Michael Andrade, Valerie Gardner, Lynette Majewski, and any other agents/representative of IEA, BEST and any Bremen High School District 228 staff between October 1, 2021 and December 31, 2021 that contain one or more of the search terms “Dawna Rickord,” and that relate in any way to Dawna Rickord. This request is being completed.
- Jonathan P. Fagg, ABC7 Chicago, requested access to and/or a copy of documentation of remote learning equipment reported as missing, damaged, broken, stolen or otherwise unavailable for use. This request has been completed.

- 1 Mrs. Gleason reported that the Bremen Township School Trustees met and Mr. Grossi has copies of the annual report ready for distribution for each board member. Interest rates are low, looking for additional investment opportunities. Next meeting is scheduled for April 11th. TIF money will be distributed at the end of January. Property taxes will be severely delayed this year, could be as late as December 2022

Board Member Reports

or January 2023. Mrs. Morrison provided a solution should this become a problem for the district.

Mr. Johnson expressed concerns over the selection of the appointed principal for Hillcrest High School.

- 1 Mrs. Morrison presented item 6.1 – **Bills, Addendum to Bills, Payroll, and CDS Bills.** Mr. Whitcomb motioned to approve item 6.1. Mrs. List seconded the motion. Roll call vote indicated:

New Business

Ayes: Mr. Whitcomb, Mrs. List, Mrs. Gleason, Mr. Johnson, Ms. Kampwirth, Mrs. Resler

Nays: None

Mrs. Morrison presented item 6.2 – **Tinley Park & Oak Forest HS – ADA Compliance Bleacher Renovation – Proposal Acceptance – GT Grandstands.** Mr. Whitcomb moved to approve item 6.2. Mrs. Kampwirth seconded the motion. Roll call vote indicated:

Ayes: Mr. Whitcomb, Mrs. Kampwirth, Mrs. Gleason, Mr. Johnson, Mrs. List, Mrs. Resler

Nays: None

Mrs. Morrison presented item 6.3 – **Tinley Park HS – Back Gym Repair Proposal Acceptance – Consolidated Chicago.** Mrs. Gleason moved to approve item 6.3. Mrs. Kampwirth seconded the motion. Roll call vote indicated:

Ayes: Mrs. Gleason, Mrs. Kampwirth, Mr. Johnson, Mrs. List, Mr. Whitcomb, Mrs. Resler

Nays: None

Dr. Sikora presented item 6.4 – **Policies 2nd Reading and Adoption.** Mrs. Gleason moved to approve item 6.4. Mrs. List seconded the motion. Roll call vote indicated:

Ayes: Mrs. Gleason, Mrs. List, Mrs. Kampwirth, Mr. Whitcomb, Mrs. Resler

Nays: Mr. Johnson

Dr. Boswell presented items 7.1-7.11 – **Personnel.** Mr. Whitcomb moved to approve items 7.1-7.11. Mrs. List seconded the motion. Roll call vote indicated:

Ayes: Mr. Whitcomb, Mrs. List, Mrs. Gleason, Mr. Johnson, Mrs. Kampwirth, Mrs. Resler

Nays: None

Retirement

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| Edwin Lipowski | Social Studies Supervisor | District |
| Joan Rodgers | Dean’s Secretary | Hillcrest HS |

Resignation

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| Jennifer McDaniels | Project Manager | Tinley Park HS |
| Tasha Penson-Johnson | Nurse’s Secretary | Hillcrest HS |
| Pamela Thomas | Dean’s Secretary | Hillcrest HS |
| Mekhi Alexander | 2 nd Shift Custodian | Oak Forest HS |
| Keanu Taylor | Paraprofessional | Oak Forest HS |
| Jennifer Gritzenbach | 2 nd Shift Custodian | Hillcrest HS |

Employment

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| Jeanette Beck | Student Assistant | Oak Forest HS |
| Michael Harris | Paraprofessional | Hillcrest HS |

Change in Position

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| Debra Strom | Bookkeeper | Bremen HS |
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- 1 Mrs. Resler announced the following:

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| Committee of the Whole | 2/8/22 | Hillcrest HS |
| Board Meeting | 2/15/22 | Hillcrest HS |
- 2 At 7:43 p.m., Mr. Whitcomb made a motion to adjourn. Mrs. Gleason seconded the motion. Voice vote was unanimous.

Announcements

Adjournment