

Proceedings of the Board of Education  
Independent School District #787  
Browerville, Minnesota 56438

Regular Meeting #2  
February 13, 2023  
Conference Room 6:00 P.M.

**Members Present:** Bob Bryniarski, Keith Noska, Kelly Callahan, Gram Bentz, Jodi Hillmer, Marty Host, and Treg Schultz

**Others Present:** Scott Vedbraaten-Superintendent, Patrick Sutlief-K-12 Principal, Renee Hiebert – Business Manager, Wayne Petermeier-Activities Director, Carrie Murch, Emily Berg, Bob Fischer, and Amy Tolifson  
The meeting was called to order by Chairman Bryniarski at 6:00 P.M.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Motion by Noska, second by Callahan, and carried to approve the agenda as presented and the minutes from regular meeting #1, January 9, 2023.

Amy Tolifson addressed the board about student safety and bullying. Carrie Murch and Emily Berg were present to celebrate School Board Appreciation Month. Bob Fischer was present to address any questions regarding possible wrestling facilities to be discussed in the agenda.

### **Bills**

Motion by Host, second by Hillmer and carried to approve vendor claims in the following accounts:

General Fund:	\$ 318,048.07
Food Service:	\$ 67,376.49
Transportation:	\$ 56,522.44
Community Service:	\$ 20,086.13
Capital Expenditure	\$ 10,892.02
Insurance Fund	\$ 43.91
Student Activity	\$ <u>14,584.41</u>
Total	\$ 487,553.47

### **Reports**

**K-12 Principals Report:** Last month, Dr. Sutlief reported that Browerville's MSHSL Triple A winners were Parker Duncan and Ella Cuchna. Ella was selected as the Sub-Section 22 winner and was invited to the Section Six banquet on February 8 at Thumper Pond. Each year Sourcewell asks districts to select Students of Character. Each Sourcewell school selects two students (11th or 12<sup>th</sup> grade) who embody Sourcewell's beliefs (Formerly NJPA). The purpose of the Students of Character award is to celebrate the students who are quiet leaders who make behind-the-scenes contributions, perhaps had to overcome adversity, and to promote and work toward a positive and safe environment within the community and school. Nominating staff are invited to attend the dinner on Wednesday, April 19, 2023 along with the students and their families. This year's recipients are Eric Fontanez and Mackenzie Uhlenkamp. The ACT test for seniors will be March 7, 2023. Looking ahead, the music contests will be starting in mid-March, and Red Cross Blood Drive is April 5 from 12-6. Fun Week for Elementary is this week. The TEACHERS beat the 6th graders today in tug-o-war. Dress up day was jerseys and hats. Tomorrow is Red Day (Valentine's Day). The kids will go sledding this week, and on Friday, BINGO.

**Mr. Petermeier's Activities Director's Report:** Congratulations to Olivia Browen for her advancement to the girls' state wrestling tournament, representing sections 6 and 7. Olivia will be the first female wrestler to qualify from Browerville High School. He also wanted the board to be aware of how often the school building is actually in use. Finally, he reminded the board the tournament play is right around the corner, and with that comes the beginning of spring sports!

Mr. Vedbraaten also reported on the following: The summer projects, which include the following: the installation of a new gym curtain and possible locker replacement. Summer workers are coming along and will be listed at the March meeting. We have ordered the choir robes that were discussed in the past. The One Act Play won the sub-section....congratulations! A number of students will be heading to state BPA March 8-10.

### **Personnel**

Motion by Hillmer, second by Noska and carried to approve the hiring of the following coaches for the spring of 2023: Baseball – Jason Peterschick, Robert Schueller, Jarid Johnson, Corey Heid, and Chris Johnson; Softball – Jeff Myers, Mary Irsfeld, Brandon Puck, MerriAnne Werder, and Joe Cuchna; Track – Rollin Lais, Rebecca Peterson, Ben Evenson, and John Peterson

### **Old Business**

Motion by Hillmer second by Bentz and carried to approve the 2023-2024 school calendar.

Discussion was held regarding the possible addition and lease of facilities at Fischer Fitness. Bob Fischer presented information that could possibly lead to the lease of wrestling practice facilities for the LPGE-Browerville Wolves. The same information will be presented to the LPGE School Board at their February meeting.

### **New Business**

Motion by Callahan, second by Schultz and carried to appoint Patrick Sutlief as Title I Program Coordinator for the 2023-24 school year.

Motion by Noska, second by Hillmer and carried to approve the donations from the Lions' in the amounts of \$2,500 for reading goals and \$300 for Phy Ed bowling. The Lions also donated \$500 to Freshwater's early learning program and \$2,000 to the American Cancer Society (Coaches vs Cancer). One final donation in the amount of \$3,000 was donated to Letterperson and Ag.

Motion by Host, second by Callahan and carried to approve the replenishment of petty cash in the amount of \$103.47.

Motion by Callahan, second by Schultz and carried to approve the overnight stay in Minneapolis from March 9-11 for State BPA.

Mr. Vedbraaten also informed the board that the district is looking at the payback and exact cost of replacing the football lights with LED. There was also a discussion regarding transportation. The discussion centered on whether students should be allowed to ride other busses besides the one assigned. This is a fairly wide topic and the board believed the current agreement set by the transportation company should stand.

Motion by Noska, second by Hillmer and carried to adjourn the meeting at 7:22 P.M.

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "Marty Host", is written over a horizontal line.

Marty Host – Clerk, I.S.D. # 787 Browerville Public School