

**Beloit Elementary Site Council Meeting**  
**Friday, August 28, 2023**

The August Site Council meeting was called to order by President, Stephanie Porter. Members present were: Lynne Easter, Charle Green, Megan Gronewoller, Chrissie Harris, Kim Martin, Amanda Schwerman, Amber Quayle and Janet Porter. The agenda was reviewed; no additions or deletions were needed. Megan moved to approve the agenda; Amanda seconded. Motion carried. Minutes of the previous meeting were reviewed. Chrissie moved to approve the minutes; Amber seconded. Motion carried.

**Site Council Term Updates** – Charle Green was welcomed as a new member of Site Council. Garry Lowry is also a new member and will join the meetings once high school football concludes.

**Principal's Report**

The first 10 days of school have been very busy. The National School of Character celebration on the first day of school went very well. Twenty-four new students have enrolled so far, making enrollment up by about 10 from last year. School-wide jobs for students in 3<sup>rd</sup>-6<sup>th</sup> grades are making a comeback. Students can reapply every nine weeks. In addition to new BES Assistant Principal, Garry Lowry, the building also welcomed teachers; Haley Burks, IRC K-1, Savannah Wallace, IRC 2-4, and Brock McMillan, PE. All three kindergarten aide positions are filled. There is still a need for substitute teachers. The school is in the process of switching from Boys Town to Conscious Discipline. The changes are explained in the BES handbook.

**KESA**

Mrs. Porter reported we received news in July that we are accredited.

**Friends of BES:**

Friends for the month:

- Dollar Tree - donating snacks and supplies to BES staff
- Beloit Methodist Church – donating school supplies
- Lutheran Ladies – donating school supplies
- Boost Ministries – donating backpacks
- Curt Baxter – donating school supplies
- Agco – donating backpacks and school supplies
- Dunstan Trucking – providing sand for the preschool playground
- Kay Moore– baking 300+ cupcakes and cleaning up at Family Fun Night
- Dr. Ben Proctor – speaking to our students on first day of school celebration
- Beloit PTO – helping put on the National School of Character celebration
- Beloit Booster Club – helping with National School of Character celebration
- Guaranty State Bank – donating t-shirts for National School Character celebration
- S & S Drug – helping with National School of Character celebration

Chrissie moved to accept these nominations; Amanda seconded. Motion carried.

### **PTO Report**

Amber reported that the school is \$19 from reaching goal of \$30,000 for the PTO Donation Fundraiser. Janet and Amber shared a picture of what the new playground equipment could look like. Janet reported that Grandparents Day is scheduled for September 8, on the BES front lawn at 2 pm. The day will include a Grand 'Ole Opry concert where students can sit with their grandparents. Three year-old preschool will have project to take home for grandparents in lieu of participating in the concert activity.

### **Community Comments**

Chrissie brought up a concern that when school donations are being solicited from local businesses that the same businesses seem to be asked every time while others are not being approached as often or at all. She asked if there was a way to let businesses know when donations are needed. The idea of making a directory of businesses willing to donate was suggested. The Parent Involvement committee will discuss developing such a directory. Amber brought up a concern from a parent about dogs on the school property during school hours and wondered if this was issue.

### **Committee Reports**

- By-Laws –a Friends of BES section is going to be added
- Character Ed – No update
- Goals – No update
- Parent Involvement – The committee discussed ideas for the Site Council members to be more visible to parents. A group picture was one idea. The committee also discussed publishing a “character corner” in the local paper to continue educating our local community on efforts within BES to develop good character. The committee will continue exploring this idea with BES leadership.

Kim is scheduled to report at the BOE meeting schedule for Monday, September 11, 2023. The next Site Council meeting is scheduled for Monday, September 25<sup>th</sup> @ 4:00 pm in the BES Library.

Amanda moved to adjourn the meeting; Megan seconded. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned.

Kim Martin, Secretary

### **Board Meeting sign-up schedule:**

- Sept. 11<sup>th</sup>: Kim
- Oct 9<sup>th</sup>: Amanda
- Nov. 13<sup>th</sup>: Charle
- Dec. 11<sup>th</sup>: Amber
- Feb. 12<sup>th</sup>: Megan
- Mar. 11<sup>th</sup>: Chrissie
- April 8<sup>th</sup>: B
- May 13<sup>th</sup>: Stephanie