

BOARD OF EDUCATION
PARDEEVILLE AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT
Pardeeville, WI
MINUTES
REGULAR BOARD MEETING
June 20, 2016

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Ms. Pufahl, Board President. Roll call was taken with the following board members present: Mr. Balsiger, Ms. Lezow, Mr. Pulver, Mr. Smith and Ms. Pufahl. Ms. Walker arrived at 7:05 p.m. and Ms. Ives arrived at 7:10 p.m. Also present at this meeting were Mr. Knitt, Ms. Kamrath, Mr. LeMay, Mr. Krueger, Ms. Clemmons, Ms. Molly Carlson, and Ms. Heather Gove.

Open Forum

No open forum items were discussed.

Administrative Team Reports

Ms. Kamrath submitted a report on the elementary school. An awards ceremony was held on 6/1/16 to recognize students who participated in extracurricular activities, volunteers, staff and 4th graders who will be going on to middle school. There are 220 students signed up for summer school and 28 students participating in the summer park program. The summer park program will have daily activities including reading, writing in a journal, playing games and making art projects. Ms. Kamrath met with Debbie Drew and Mary Soch from Portage St. John's School on 6/14/16 to discuss the new before and after school program. Flyers and information to parents will be going out to get students registered. There will be an elementary float in the 4th of July parade. Twenty four elementary students have signed up for the remedial summer school program in August. The Elementary School theme for 2016-17 and 2017-18 is "Knowledge is our super power!"

Mr. LeMay submitted a report on the high school. Fifty seven students graduated this year and 2 seniors still need to finish up. High School remedial summer school will run from June 6-30. Students completing summer school classes will receive credit and will not have to repeat those classes in the 2016-17 school year. Senorita Jodarski took 12 of her Spanish students to Guatemala this year. On June 8, Pardeeville hosted the Rural Central Columbia County Initiative that brought together businesses, local rural school districts, higher education, and advocated connections between all of them.

Mr. Krueger reported on custodial/maintenance items which included the following: Custodians did a lot of setting up and taking down from graduation ceremonies, summer cleaning has started, all AHU's (air handler units) are shut down or put on a summer schedule to conserve energy, the door frame that was broken from the break-in at the baseball concession stand was repaired, the Tech Ed classroom, and the Spanish room, server room, and several other rooms were cleaned out and prepared for new flooring, etc. All custodians/maintenance technicians had part in 31 work orders for the month.

Committee Reports

Curriculum Committee—met on 5/27/16 to discuss K-12 curriculum concerns.

No other committees have met.

Aspen Family Counseling Update

Ms. Heather Gove from Aspen Family Counseling reported on how the counseling services went at Pardeeville Schools this year. She worked in collaboration with our guidance counselors and the school psychologist and was at the school every Thursday. She said onsite services worked better for families. She would like to speak with teachers during their beginning of the year inservice meetings to make them aware of her services and expand on the program next year.

Advanced Biology Report

Ms. Molly Carlson reported on a field trip where she took 52 of her Advanced Biology students to UW-Milwaukee. At UW-Milwaukee the students presented the results of their zebrafish toxicology research to peers and scientists. In this research project, students exposed zebrafish embryos to various environmental toxicants such as nicotine, caffeine, etc. and examined malformations that occurred.

AFLAC Insurance

Mr. Knitt said the School District has offered components of AFLAC Insurance to employees at their own cost for a number of years. The School District is having some issues in dealing with AFLAC and would like to discuss the possibility of ending offering AFLAC Insurance and looking at other providers for short-term disability coverage, etc. Mr. Knitt will provide additional information about this program at a future board meeting.

2016-17 Budget Update

Mr. Knitt gave an update on the 2016-17 budget.

Reading Recovery Report

Ms. Kim Zak submitted her annual report on the Reading Recovery program. Reading Recovery is an intervention program that helps prevent reading failure. The Reading Recovery program has been used in the Pardeeville School District for 20 years and has served 269 students. This year 8 students received Reading Recovery services.

Area School District Joint Board Meeting Update

District Administrators from Fall River, Rio, Poynette, Cambria-Friesland and Pardeeville met on 6/15/16 at Rio to begin planning for an Area School District Joint Board Meeting. They plan to meet in the fall to

look at 2017-18 planning and preliminary discussions about the possibilities of sharing busing, field trips, classes, health insurance, AP class offerings, etc. to enhance opportunities together for students.

Board Recognition and Curriculum Information Discussion

Ms. Levzow and Mr. Balsiger requested that we begin a discussion at the Board level regarding recognizing accomplishments and curriculum presentations on a more formal basis. Discussion was held as to whether it should be formal or informal, held at one meeting per month rather than both meetings, do a 2 or 3 year rotation for reporting on events rather than a report every year, etc.

Board Member Concerns

Ms. Levzow said the Pardeeville Middle School 8th grade promotion ceremony was very good. Mr. Balsiger said the Southern Door County School District does Books on the Bus where older students read to younger students. He also talked about recognizing students for community service. At Verona Schools students who have done 200 hours of community service get silver cords at graduation time.

Approval of Minutes Dated 6/6/16

A motion was made by Ms. Ives to approve the minutes dated 6/6/16. The motion was seconded by Ms. Levzow. Motion carried 4-0-3. Mr. Smith, Mr. Balsiger and Mr. Pulver abstained.

Approval of Receipts/Expenditures

A motion was made by Ms. Walker to approve the receipts/expenditures as presented. The motion was seconded by Mr. Balsiger. Motion carried 7-0. Check numbers submitted and approved included #55027-55081, #10646-10655, 0153116ACH, 0153116DDF, 54881-54930, 54974-55008, 4900001082-4900001086, and 10AMEX0328-01AMEX0341.

Approval of 2016-17 High School Student Handbook

Mr. LeMay went through the changes being made for the 2016-17 High School Student Handbook. A motion was made by Mr. Pulver to approve the 2016-17 High School Student Handbook. The motion was seconded by Ms. Walker. Motion carried 7-0.

Approval of 2016-17 Administrator Salaries

A motion was made by Mr. Smith to approve the 2016-17 administrator salaries as recommended. The motion was seconded by Ms. Levzow. Motion carried 7-0.

Approval of Certified Staff Resignation

A motion was made by Mr. Smith to approve the resignation from Ms. Molly Carlson, high school science teacher. The motion was seconded by Ms. Levzow. Motion carried 7-0.

Agenda Items for Next Meeting

The next regular school board meeting will be held at 7:00 p.m. on Monday, June 6, 2016. Agenda items will include: Open Forum, Administrative Team Reports, Committee Reports, AP Test Results, 2015-16 Budget Update, 2016-17 Academic Standards, Board Recognition and Curriculum Information at School Board Meetings, Board Member Concerns, Approval of Minutes Dated 6/20/16, Approval of Receipts/Expenditures, Approval of Support Staff Resignation, Approval of High School Science Teacher, Approval of Varsity Head Football Coach, Approval of Elementary School Student Handbook, Approval of Elementary School Staff Handbook, Approval of High School Staff Handbook, Approval of Extra-Curricular Handbook, Approval of Parent Transportation Contracts for 2016-17, Approval of August Summer School Teachers, Approval of 2016-17 Budget, and an executive session to approve executive meeting minutes dated 6/20/16 and to hear end of year report from Mr. Knitt, District Administrator.

Executive Session

An executive session meeting was held under 19.85(1)(c) of the Wisconsin State Statutes to approve the executive meeting minutes dated 6/6/16, to hear end of year reports from Mr. LeMay and Ms. Kamrath, and to finalize contracts for Middle School Principal and High School Principal.

Action on Items Discussed in Executive Session

A motion was made by Ms. Ives to approve the High School Principal Contract. The motion was seconded by Ms. Walker. A roll call vote was taken: Mr. Balsiger-yes, Ms. Ives-yes, Ms. Levzow-yes, Ms. Pufahl-yes, Mr. Pulver-yes, Mr. Smith-yes, Ms. Walker-yes. Motion carried 7-0.

A motion was made by Mr. Pulver to approve the Middle School Principal Contract. The motion was seconded by Ms. Walker. A roll call vote was taken: Mr. Balsiger-yes, Ms. Ives-yes, Ms. Levzow-yes, Ms. Pufahl-yes, Mr. Pulver-yes, Mr. Smith-yes, Ms. Walker-yes. Motion carried 7-0.

Adjournment

A motion was made by Ms. Ives to adjourn. The motion was seconded by Ms. Walker. Motion carried 7-0.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:14 p.m.

Lynette Ives, Clerk