

BOARD OF EDUCATION
PARDEEVILLE AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT
Pardeeville, WI

MINUTES
REGULAR BOARD MEETING
September 21, 2015

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: Ms. Ives, Ms. Lezvow, Mr. Pulver, Mr. Smith, Ms. Pufahl and Ms. Mikayla Brouette, Student Representative. Absent were Mr. Balsiger and Ms. Walker. Also present at this meeting were Mr. Knitt, Ms. Kamrath, Mr. Lenz, Mr. LeMay, Ms. McElroy, Ms. Clemmons, Mr. Dave Davidson, Mr. Kent Fish from General Engineering and Mr. Steve Miller from Beneco.

Auditorium Project Update from General Engineering

Mr. Kent Fish showed a drawing to the Board of the building plans for the auditorium project on the south side of the high school building which includes a new entrance to the school, moving the high school and district offices to this new area and creating new band and choir rooms. This project will be further discussed at the Buildings and Grounds Committee meeting on 11/2/15.

Affordable Care Act Monitoring by Beneco

Mr. Steve Miller from Beneco, our insurance consultant, presented a proposal for the school district to hire a company called Summit to help us monitor all the compliance regulations of the Affordable Care Act that go into place in 2016. The cost would be \$550 per month plus a one-time implementation fee of \$1,500. The Board will consider the proposal at their October 5, 2015 meeting.

Open Forum

Nothing was discussed under open forum.

Administrative Team Reports

Ms. Kamrath submitted a report on the elementary school. Back to School Night was held on August 26. Teachers started teaching school wide lessons on hallway, cafeteria, bus and bathroom behaviors during the first few weeks. Late Start time was devoted to learning how to use the Web-based MAP testing. About 300 grandparents attended lunch with their grandchildren during Grandparents week on September 8-11. First and second grades will be given Phonological Awareness Literacy Screening (PALS) this year for 2 weeks between September 14 and October 9th and 4K and Kindergarten students will take their PALS screening between October 12 and November 6. The MAP testing window started on September 15 with Kindergarten thru 4th grade students taking the math tests and students in grades 3-4 also taking the reading and language arts tests. Results will be used to help differentiate classroom instruction as well as interventions. All students will be tested with Chromebooks which will speed up the testing window and will allow for all grades to administer the test on the same day and time.

Mr. Lenz submitted a report on the middle school. This is the second year for the Character Education program in Middle School. In addition to what was in place last year, teachers will nominate 5 students per grade level

each quarter that they feel deserve Character Awards. Mrs. Denure's new Current Events class will be publishing a school newspaper every 2 weeks. MAP testing has begun in middle school. Mr. Lenz is putting together a standards based grading team to explore report changes for the middle school. Middle School T-shirts will be ordered with fund raising money so there will be no cost to students. Ms. Semrad has taken over as the new Earth Club advisor. Student Council is up and running. The Middle School open house was well received by families.

Mr. LeMay submitted a report on the high school. The High School Band joined about 3000 students from other schools at UW-Madison Band Day on September 19. The students played during half-time and watched the Badger football game. The Theatrical Society is preparing for their fall production on November 13, 14 and 15. All clubs at school had their first meetings in September. Skills USA has been brought back. Ms. Huset has offered to help Mr. Koehler get things organized and run that program. Homecoming week begins September 28. The NHS induction ceremony will be held on September 28. The State has decided not to administer the fall ACT Aspire testing to 9th graders and the WKCE testing has been eliminated. We will be having ACT and WorkKeys testing in March as well as the spring ACT Aspire for 9th and 10th graders, a new assessment in the spring to replace the WKCE for 10th graders. The High School has begun a Student of the Month program. Mr. LeMay has been accepted as a presenter to the 2016 State Education Convention in January. The focus of his presentation will be about our CTE/Dual Credit Offerings. Ms. Juanita Comeau from Madison College offered to come and co-present if she is able to work it in to her schedule.

Mr. LeMay also gave an Activities Director report. The Cheer/Dance Coaching position was posted. The co-op for middle school football with Rio seems to be working well. Madison Day School has begun the process to join the Trailways Conference. Pardeeville Schools has been inducted into the Super Bowl High School Honor Roll for having a player who graduated from our school that participated in a Super Bowl. This is part of NFL celebrating the 50th Super Bowl. Conference Volleyball will now be played each year at Just-a-Game in Wisconsin Dells. The schools in the conference will rotate each year as to who is in charge for this event but the games will all be played at that location now.

Ms. McElroy reported on technology in the district. **Network:** Started implementing the Greenlight solution of network management for our main infrastructure devices. The Windows servers will be updated through this service monthly. When switches, servers or the district storage of all servers has issues we will be immediately notified. A second meeting was held to review the server room power assessment for possible UPS options. Our UPS units don't handle the load well during an outage, nor do they provide the quality of power that this sensitive equipment requires. Mr. Krueger sat in on this meeting and will be involved as we move forward with a plan for replacement next summer. The focus at the start of school is to get students access to Chromebooks. Many teachers are using Google Classroom to communicate and organize the content for their curriculum. This ability to handout information in a flash allows teachers more time for meaningful classroom instruction.

Software and Administrative: Set up AIMSweb, IXL, MAPS, PALS, Google for new students and Renaissance student rosters. We continue to have Xerox issues with Accounting and the ability to monitor the number of copies made by staff. The Mojo Helpdesk system was expanded to the Buildings and Grounds department. All tech and B&G work tickets are now managed in Mojo. Twenty-two new Lenovo Chromebooks in a PowerTower were set up for the shared 3rd grade classroom. MAP web based testing started this week at the elementary school on Chromebooks which made it possible to test an entire grade level at one time vs. one classroom at a time in the former computer lab. This should save a lot of time.

Mr. Krueger reported on custodial/maintenance items which included the following: Replaced ceramic seals on all 3 high school boiler pumps, painted exterior doors at all schools, Zimmerman Plumbing replaced the water heater in the high school boiler room, Johnson Controls replaced the heat exchanger in the district office's rooftop air handler unit, updated lighting in a couple custodian closets, trimmed all shrubs and pruned some trees, installed a new motor on the line striper, did preventive maintenance on all air handler units, etc. Everyone had part in completing 66 work orders that were submitted over the past month.

Committee Reports

Finance Committee – met tonight to discuss the auditor contract, athletic fees and estimated 2015-16 equalized values. Mr. Knitt should get a new proposal from Miller, Brussell, Ebben and Glaeske for our audits. Regarding athletic fees, we should find out what other schools are charging. Mr. Knitt is working with Carol Wirth to get an estimate for 2015-16 equalized values.

Policy Committee—met on 9/14/15 to review board policies, discuss fund raising to keep programs, and to discuss transportation outside of the school district for after school care.

Student Representative Report

Mikayla Brouette reported on student activities in the school. Student Council has been busy getting ready for Homecoming activities for the week of September 28th. FBLA met and voted on officers. Art Club is planning for a Pumpkin Carving Contest and Halloween Dance. The Theatrical Society is planning for a play in November. FFA is preparing a float for the Homecoming parade. National Honor Society induction will be held on September 28, 2015.

2014-15 ACT Test Results

Mr. Knitt shared the results of our 2014-15 ACT tests with the school board as compared with the State average and other schools in the Trailways Conference. He said our goal is to score in the top 5 in all subjects.

Board Member Concerns

None

Trap shooting Club

The Trap Shooting Club item was referred to the Policy Committee to discuss guidelines on how we should handle this.

Approval of Minutes Dated 9/8/15

A motion was made by Ms. Ives to approve the minutes dated 9/8/15. The motion was seconded by Mr. Pulver. Motion carried 4-0-1. Ms. Levzow abstained.

Approval of Receipts/Expenditures

A motion was made by Ms. Levzow to approve the receipts/expenditures. The motion was seconded by Mr. Smith. Motion carried 5-0. Check numbers submitted and approved included #53648-53752, 10555-10564, 183115DDF, 1831ESERF, 53449-53462, 53524-53576, and 01AMEX0211-01AMEX0226.

Approval of Reading Recovery Contract with Wisconsin Rapids

A motion was made by Mr. Pulver to approve the Reading Recovery contract with Wisconsin Rapids for 2015-16. The motion was seconded by Ms. Ives. Motion carried 5-0.

Approval of Overnight Field Trip Request for Builders Club

Mr. Lindquist, Builders Club advisor, decided not to go on this trip.

Action on Parent Transportation Request

A request was made by a parent for the school board to make an exception to board policy for the school to transport their child outside the Pardeeville School District boundaries for child care after school. The family cannot find the care they need for their child in the Pardeeville Area School District. The parent will discuss this situation further with Smith Bus and this item will be put back on the agenda for the October 5 board meeting.

Approval of Co-Curricular Resignation

A motion was made by Ms. Levzow to approve Mr. Bob Schenck's resignation from the 8th grade boys' basketball coaching position. The motion was seconded by Mr. Pulver. Motion carried 5-0.

Approval of First Reading of NEOLA Policies

The following policies were presented to the Board for approval of first reading: Policy 6111 Administration of Grant Programs, Policy 6146 Post Issuance Tax Exempt Bond Compliance, Policy 6230 Budget Hearing, Policy 7217 Weapons, Policy 7230 Gifts, Grants, and Bequests. A motion was made by Ms. Ives to approve these policies for first reading. The motion was seconded by Ms. Levzow. Motion carried 5-0.

Agenda Items for Next Meeting

The next regular school board meeting will be held at 7:00 p.m. on Monday, October 5, 2015. Agenda items will include September Pupil Count, Board Member Concerns, Approval of Minutes Dated 9/21/15, Approval/Resignation of Coaches, Approval of Certified Staff, Approval of Support Staff, Approval of Parent Transportation Request, Approval of Donation from Wal-Mart, Approval of Washington, D.C. Trip, Approval of Affordable Care Act Monitoring by Beneco, and Approval of Second Reading of NEOLA Policies 6111, 6146, 6230, 7217 and 7230.

Adjournment

A motion was made by Mr. Pulver to adjourn. The motion was seconded by Ms. Levzow. Motion carried 5-0.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:45 p.m.

Lynette Ives, Clerk