

BOARD OF EDUCATION
PARDEEVILLE AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT
Pardeeville, WI
MINUTES
REGULAR BOARD MEETING
October 16, 2017

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. Ives, Ms. Levzow, Mr. Pulver, Mr. Smith, Ms. Walker, Ms. Pufahl, and student representative Natalie Farrington. Also present at this meeting were Mr. Knitt, Ms. Kamrath, Mr. Bell, Mr. Hammer, Ms. McElroy, Mr. Krueger, Ms. Clemmons, Mr. Chris Lindert, Mr. Mike Babcock, Mr. Mike Haynes, Ms. Melissa Fischer, Mr. Shawn Mecum, Mr. Phil Kamrath, Ms. Tina Gordon, Mr. Richard Smith, Mr. Brad Boettcher, and Mr. Steve Wolters.

Open Forum

Mr. Chris Lindert gave an update on the Washington D.C. trip. The trip will be held on April 29-May 5, 2018. Arrangements at this time are for 2 buses with 41 adults and 59 students. The cost is \$700/student and \$800/adult. A student letter writing fund-raiser has helped to raise money for the trip so far and a pizza fund-raiser will be held in December.

Administrative Team Reports

Ms. Kamrath reported on the Elementary School. About 95% attended the elementary school open house. An Orientation Day was held for 4K, 5K and all new 1st-4th grade students and parents on September 1st. Ten elementary staff members will be giving up part of their preps, before/after school time, etc. to mentor students. The elementary school served 226 grandparents during Grandparents Week. A Penny War Drive helped to raise \$1,200 for families impacted by Hurricane Irma in Florida. Parent-Teacher conferences will be held on 10/19/17. October is National Bullying Prevention month.

Mr. Bell provided a report on the Middle School. On the October late start in-service day middle school math and reading teachers attended a webinar on data and monitoring tools available through Renaissance Learning and STAR testing. The other teachers worked on curriculum work to finish Student Learning Objectives and Personal Professional Goals for the year. Ms. Edgar has been meeting with as many students as possible to help with reading and math interventions. Multiple days have been set aside for teachers to collaborate and prepare for standards based grading and reporting. Parent-Teacher conferences will be held on 10/19/17.

Mr. Hammer reported on the High School. Freshmen Orientation on 9/1/17 was a big success. Homecoming week was well planned by the Student Council. Mr. Hammer attended a WIAA meeting on 9/13/17 where the majority of discussion was about implementation of shot clocks for basketball. The National Honor Society induction ceremony was held on 9/25/17. Students from the Junior class attended a Wisconsin Education Fair on 9/28/17 where they were able to talk with representatives from colleges, universities and military service from around the Midwest and the country.

Ms. McElroy reported on technology in the District. Network engineer projects included: Worked on repairing our Windows server for workstations; worked to get tutorial videos working on new tech ed software; and worked with Xerox and Corporate Business Systems to replace 3 copiers. Tech department network updates: the wireless eRate project to replace 35 wireless access points and add 3 new for outdoor classrooms will be installed on October 19 and 20; updated our main device infrastructure list for monitoring with RMM Solutions; met with Bear Valley Engineering to start reviewing plans for low voltage systems needed in the referendum project; and reviewed WISE updates and DPI WISE reporting changes and new jobs for each administrative assistant that need to be completed before 10/31/17. Ms. Hodgson and Ms. McElroy recently attended a PowerSchool User Group meeting.

Mr. Krueger gave a report on buildings and grounds/maintenance projects, which included: spread 80 yards of mulch on playgrounds; reconnected wiring for all rooftop units on the elementary roof after it was reroofed; took down outside batting cage; replaced damaged shingles and repaired doors on two playground sheds; patched potholes in parking lots and playground; rebuilt 2 faucets in the elementary art room; performed maintenance on two school vehicles; installed a light fixture by HS door #4; cleaned all A/C condenser coils on kitchen equipment and air handlers; worked on 82 work orders, etc.

Student Representative Report

Ms. Natalie Farrington, student representative, reported on student activities in the school. Student Council organized Bulldog games and activities for homecoming week. They raised money from penny games to send for Hurricane Relief. FFA held a back-to-school luau on 9/8/17 and they are planning for the National FFA Convention. NHS held their induction ceremony on 9/25/17. Spanish Club is planning for their trip to Peru. Key Club is getting off the ground with election of officers. Theatrical Society is planning for their fall play. Band and choir are planning for their fall concert and they are fund-raising for a trip. The football team is in the playoffs and cross country is in sectionals.

Construction Update

Planning meetings for the referendum construction project have been held every Wednesday. An electrical engineering meeting was held on 10/11/17. An auditorium lighting meeting will be held on 10/17/17. Representatives from General Engineering and Miron Construction were present and gave an update on the construction planning. Mr. Brad Boettcher, the Civil Engineer from General Engineering discussed the outside parking lot and grounds. Mr. Richard Smith showed pictures of the interior of the building including the new auditorium and office areas, converting the existing music room into the library, existing library into a fitness area, and existing offices into classrooms and additional room for art, etc. Mr. Steve Wolters from Miron Construction talked about staying in budget for the project. Miron will be putting documents together for bids, getting competitive bids and bringing recommendations to the Board for approval.

Board Member Concerns

Mr. Balsiger thanked Mr. Knitt for the ethnicity report given to the Board at their last meeting.

Mr. Smith asked what the expectations are for teachers using PowerSchool for posting assignments, etc. Mr. Knitt said he would get this information from the principals.

Approval of Minutes Dated 10/2/17

A motion was made by Ms. Ives to approve the minutes dated 10/2/17. The motion was seconded by Mr. Smith. Motion carried 6-0-1. Mr. Balsiger abstained.

Approval of Receipts/Expenditures

A motion to approve the receipts/expenditures was made by Mr. Smith. The motion was seconded by Mr. Pulver. Motion carried 7-0. Checks submitted and approved included #57666-57758, 10838-10847, 0193017ACN, 0193017DDF, 57436-57455, 57547-57629, 01AMEX0523-01AMEX0540, 4100001012-4100001013, and 4900001102.

Approval of Resolution Awarding the Sale of \$8,000,000 General Obligation School Building and Improvement Bonds

Ms. Carol Wirth from Wisconsin Public Finance explained the procedure for sale of the bonds for the construction project. This is phase 1 of the two phase financing for the referendum project. The winning bid came from Robert W. Baird with an interest rate of 2.92%. A motion was made by Ms. Walker to approve a resolution awarding the sale of \$8,000,000 general obligation school building and improvement bonds per Exhibit A attached. The motion was seconded by Ms. Levzow. A roll call vote was taken: Mr. Balsiger-yes, Ms. Ives-yes, Ms. Levzow-yes, Mr. Pulver-yes, Mr. Smith-yes, Ms. Walker-yes, and Ms. Pufahl-yes. Motion carried 7-0.

Approval of Auditorium Renderings for Construction Project

Ms. Tina Gordon showed the board members renderings of two different color options for the auditorium project. A motion was made by Ms. Levzow to approve Option 1 of the auditorium renderings for the construction project as presented. The motion was seconded by Ms. Walker. Motion carried 7-0.

Approval of Signage for Building Project

A discussion was held regarding the wording, location and other details about the signage and naming rights for the referendum project. Board members were given a copy of past minutes and approvals for information regarding the selling of naming rights for the auditorium. This item will be put on the next regular meeting agenda for further discussion and approvals.

Approval of Snow Plow Bid

The Buildings and Grounds Committee met tonight and reviewed one snow plow bid that was received. The bid was from Kenevan Kontractors and is for two years, 2017-18 and 2018-19. The committee recommended approval. A motion was made by Ms. Levzow to approve the snow plow bid from Kenevan Kontractors for two years. The motion was seconded by Mr. Smith. Motion carried 7-0.

Approval of True Green Proposal

The Buildings and Grounds Committee reviewed a proposal from True Green and recommended approval. A motion was made by Ms. Levzow to approve the True Green proposal. The motion was seconded by Ms. Ives. Motion carried 7-0.

Approval of Winter Coaches & Volunteers

Winter coaches and volunteers submitted for approval included: Mike Craig—JV Boys Basketball, Al Nickel—JV Boys Basketball, Joe Guenther—Middle School Boys Basketball, Greg Wagoner—Middle School Boys Basketball, Amber Houslet—Middle School Girls Basketball, Stacie Craig—Middle School Girls Basketball, Jim Housner—Assistant Boys and Girls Curling, Bill Ehlert—Middle School Curling, Jesse Kath—Boys Basketball Volunteer, and Amanda Seichter—Curling Volunteer for Middle/High School. A motion was made by Mr. Pulver to approve the winter coaches and volunteers. The motion was seconded by Ms. Walker. Motion carried 6-0-1. Ms. Lezvow abstained. A coach for JV Girls Basketball was not approved at this time due to not enough participants.

Approval of Donations

Two donations were submitted for approval—a donation from Wyocena Community Helping Hands to be used to help pay for meals at Parent’s Night and a donation from the Pardeeville Boys’ Club to be used for the Veterans program at the elementary school. A motion was made by Ms. Lezvow to approve both donations. The motion was seconded by Mr. Balsiger. Motion carried 7-0.

Approval of 2017-18 Tax Levy

This item will be put on the agenda for the next meeting.

Approval of First Reading of NEOLA Policies

A motion was made by Ms. Ives to approve first reading of the policies listed as 1-11 on the agenda. The motion was seconded by Ms. Walker. Motion carried 7-0.

Agenda Items for Next Meeting

A special board meeting will be held on 10/23/17 to Approve Short-term Borrowing, Approve the 2017-18 Tax Levy and Approve the 2017-18 Budget. The next regular school board meeting will be held at 7:00 p.m. on Monday, November 6, 2017. Agenda items will include: Attendance at WASB Annual Convention, Update on Area-Wide Board Meeting at Rio on 10/25/17, Construction Update, Board Member Concerns, Approval of Minutes Dated 10/16/17, Approval of Special Meeting Minutes Dated 10/23/17, Approval of Signage for Building Project, Approval of Youth Options Applications, Approval of Girls JV Basketball Team, Approval of Additional Coaches/Volunteers, Approval of Certified Staff, Approval of Activity Account for Key Club, Approval of Donation from Girls’ Club, Approval of CNA Class, and Approval of Second Reading of NEOLA Policies.

Adjournment

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

The meeting adjourned at 10:50 p.m.

Lynette Ives, Clerk