

BOARD OF EDUCATION
PARDEEVILLE AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT
Pardeeville, WI

MINUTES
REGULAR BOARD MEETING
January 20, 2014

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, Ms. Morrison, Mr. Smith, Ms. Pufahl and Mr. John Walton, student representative. Ms. Walker arrived at 7:25 p.m. Also present at this meeting were Mr. Knitt, Ms. Kamrath, Mr. Lenz, Mr. LeMay, Mr. Krueger, Ms. McElroy, Ms. Clemmons, Mr. John Lindquist, Mr. Eric Cooke, Mr. Cal Bouwkamp, Ms. Patricia Jacobson and Ms. Shannon Westbury.

Open Forum

There were no open forum items.

Eighth Grade Health Class

Ms. Patricia Jacobson urged the Pardeeville board of education to bring back the Health class to 8th grade students. She would like to see a comprehensive course that would include educational instruction to better prepare our children and community on overall well-being and healthy lifestyle choices with topics including healthy body image, suicide, drinking, reproductive health, drug use, healthy peer relationships, self-respect and appropriate behaviors.

Administrative Team Reports

Ms. Kamrath submitted a report on the elementary school. During January late start time, elementary teachers worked on language arts curriculum and specialist teachers worked on their content curriculum. Ms. Heidi Walters met this month with K-4 grade staff to continue building lessons into the Curriculum Companion. Report cards will go home on January 24th. Elementary Student Council is sponsoring a "Mrs. Biddick Penny Drop" from January 21 to February 3. Proceeds will be donated to the American Red Cross Badger Chapter where Mrs. Biddick was a long-time member and volunteer. Ms. Kamrath attended the elementary principal networking meeting at CESA 5 on 1/16/14 where they discussed Student Learning Objectives and the educator effectiveness model. She will also be attending the Charlotte Danielson Educator Effectiveness training at CESA 5 on January 28-30. Elementary PTO is sponsoring a dance on 1/31/14.

Mr. Lenz reported on middle school events. A CESA 5 Spelling Bee was held at the middle school on 1/13/14. Middle School students also took part in a Geography Bee sponsored by National Geographic. The first quarter incentive will be bowling for 7th and 8th grades and roller skating for 5th and 6th grades. Students will begin using Aimsweb as a universal Response to Intervention screener in the 4th quarter. Fuel Up to Play 60 is taking part in flag football as a winter activity. The second quarter gym homeroom competition was dodge ball and all students had fun competing and earning points for their homeroom.

Mr. Lindquist and Ms. Osterhaus will be taking a group of students to the Stem (Science, Technology, Engineering and Math) Career Days for Girls on 2/21/14 at UW-Stevens Point. There will be an activity night for 5th grade on 2/13/14 and a dance for 6th through 8th grade on 2/14/14.

Mr. LeMay submitted a report on the high school. Semester exams occurred on January 16 and 17. Mr. LeMay will be attending an Educator Effectiveness training on January 28-30 at CESA 5. He attended the Trailways Conference Principal's only meeting on 1/15/14 where they discussed hiring a new conference commissioner as Jeff Giese will retire at the end of this school year. Forensics is hosting a parents' night potluck on 1/27/14 where students will present their pieces for parents and other guests. Pardeeville High School hosted a Financial Aid night on 1/16/14 where parents of juniors and seniors were welcome to attend and receive information on filling out scholarships and the FAFSA. Student Council hosted a study party for semester exams on 1/13/14. Ms. Houslet and Ms. Huck are hosting the second annual TechnoPardee technology workshop at our school on February 7 and 8. Mr. LeMay continues to have discussions with Madison College about our Tech Ed program and growth in other areas.

Mr. Krueger reported on buildings and grounds items. He highlighted many repairs done in the district. Over the holiday break, custodians had a chance to catch up on some extra cleaning that needed to be done. Yearly maintenance on the shop air compressor was performed. Two vacuum cleaners were refurbished so they have spares. Maintenance changed oil and did quarterly service on the Ford Windstar van. They also worked on 36 work orders that came in.

Ms. McElroy reported on technology in the district. **Equipment & Network:** The SAN (storage area network) finished expansion and all servers have been restored. A second NAS Qnap device was set up. QNAP1 will have 21 days of backups of all servers. QNAP2 will have one backup from the previous week, one backup from every month and then one full backup from every year. Email is archived by Gaggenet for 7 years. Ten additional wireless access points were purchased to add in at the elementary second floor and middle school 7th and 8th grade wing to accommodate additional bandwidth demands during Smarter Balanced Assessment computer testing. The pilot testing will start in March at both the elementary and middle school. **Data Protection**—working on an administrative software review form before purchasing new student software or subscriptions. **Software:** AIMSweb software and MAPS testing software were set up for use at the elementary and middle schools. **Professional Development:** There has been great participation at our monthly after school Third Tuesday Technology trainings averaging 21 staff participants. Pardeeville will host a TechnoPardee workshop for training on Google, Creating Videos, Flipping the Classroom, iPads and more. Twelve Pardeeville teachers and 6 teachers from other districts have signed up to attend. As part of Ms. Huck's technology integration job duties, she is working on organizing and updating the district website to improve communication to the public.

Committee Reports

Buildings and Grounds Committee—met tonight to discuss a report from Miron Construction on the high school/middle school panel replacement, Alliant Energy billing, interruptible heating service, lawn care service quotations, locker room projects and purchasing salt for icy conditions. Mr. Krueger is working on bids for the sale of our LP tanks and the LP in the tanks, lawn care and the boys and girls locker room project.

Curriculum Committee—met on 1/16/14 to discuss restarting a Tech Ed program and increasing credit requirements for high school. The next Curriculum Committee meeting will be on Thursday, February 25, 2014 at 8:00 a.m.

Finance Committee—met on 1/6/14 to review the 2014-15 general fund budget.

Personnel Committee—met on 1/13/14 to discuss the Activities Director job description and compensation schedules for extra-curricular and co-curricular activities as well as club advisors. Their next meeting will be on 2/10/14.

Policy Committee—next meeting will meet on 2/10/14 to discuss revisions to several policies.

Student Representative Report

John Walton reported on activities in the high school. Student Council held a study party so that high school students could study together for exams. He said due to the days off on January 6 and 7, it shortened students' time to prepare for exams. It would have been nice if there was a way to push back days for the exams.

Presentation on Tech Ed Program

Mr. LeMay gave a presentation on bringing back a Tech Ed class at Pardeeville High School beginning with second semester of the 2014-15 school year. Mr. LeMay and Mr. Knitt have been meeting with Madison College to discuss a partnership program where our students would get credit here and also at Madison College or other technical colleges. Proposed course offerings for second semester of 2014-15 would include Introduction to Technology Education, Introduction to Drafting/CAD and The 21st Century Home. Additional classes beginning in 2015-16 could include Introduction to Small Engines, Introduction to Engineering and/or Welding Fabrication/Manufacturing.

Increase in Credit Requirements for High School

Mr. LeMay gave a presentation on new credit requirements for high school. Beginning with the 2014-15 school year the State of Wisconsin will now require 3 credits of math and 3 credits of science. The first class this will affect will be the Class of 2017. Credits required to graduate from Pardeeville will still be 24 (16 are required credits and 8 are elective). The Class of 2018, and after, will also see a change in sequencing of some courses and they will need 26 credits to graduate from Pardeeville (15.5 are required credits and 10.5 are elective). This increase in credit requirements for high school will be submitted for approval at the 2/3/14 board meeting.

Establish Referendum Information Meetings

Three referendum informational meetings will be held:

March 13 at the Marcellon Town Hall

March 18 at the Wyocena Community Room

March 27 at the Pardeeville High School Library

All meetings will begin at 7:00 p.m.

Board Member Concerns

Ms. Morrison said the middle school/high school concert was still pretty long especially for middle school students who get home late that night.

Ms. Morrison inquired about the status of a wrestling program. Mr. Knitt said he sent letters out last year to other schools looking to co-op with them and he did not receive any responses. Mr. LeMay said he checked last year with other schools at one of the conference meetings but there wasn't any interest. Mr. LeMay will check again at one of the conference meetings.

Approval of Minutes Dated 1/6/14

A correction was made to the dollar amount on page two that it should say \$800,000 rather than \$80,000. A motion was made by Ms. Levzow to approve the minutes dated 1/6/14 with the correction. The motion was seconded by Mr. Balsiger. Motion carried 6-0-1. Ms. Morrison abstained.

Approval of Receipts/Expenditures

A motion was made by Ms. Morrison to approve the receipts/expenditures. The motion was seconded by Ms. Walker. Motion carried 7-0. Check numbers submitted and approved included #50594-50682, 10363-10373, 50359-50515, and 01AMEX0036-01AMEX0040.

Approval of Overnight/Out-of-State/Sunday Trip for Cheer

A request was submitted to approve a trip for the cheer team to go to Minneapolis, MN on February 7-9, 2014 to compete at the WOW Factor Sports Cheer Nationals. A motion was made by Mr. Smith to approve the trip for cheer. The motion was seconded by Mr. Balsiger. Motion carried 7-0.

Approval of Overnight/Sunday Trip for Middle School Student Council

The Board was given a request to approve a trip for middle school student council to attend the state middle school student council conference in Madison on April 27-28, 2014. A motion was made by Ms. Levzow to approve the trip for middle school student council as long as the female chaperone is determined. The motion was seconded by Mr. Smith. Motion carried 7-0.

Approval of Overnight Trip for FFA

An overnight trip for FFA to attend a career development conference in Wisconsin Rapids on February 21 & 22, 2014 was presented to the Board for approval. A motion was made by Ms. Levzow to approve the trip for FFA. The motion was seconded by Ms. Walker. Motion carried 7-0.

Approval of Spaces Available for 2014-15 Open Enrollment Students

By state law school districts must determine in January the number of seats available for open enrollment students for the coming school year. The Board was given the projected enrollment counts by grade level with a recommendation of open enrollment seats for the 2014-15 school year. Based on current enrollment and staffing levels, administration recommended: 4K—no limit, Kindergarten—8, First Grade—8, Second Grade—0, Third Grade—4, Fourth Grade—0, Fifth Grade—0, Sixth Grade—4, Seventh Grade—0, Eighth Grade—2, and Ninth thru Twelfth Grades—no limit. A motion was made by Ms. Morrison to approve the number of open enrollment seats available for the 2014-15 school year as presented. The motion was seconded by Ms. Ives. Motion carried 7-0.

Approval to Authorize Sale of LP Gas

Since our alternative fuel process does not work, there is no need to continue to keep the LP gas in the tanks in the parking lot. Administration asked for Board approval to get bids on the gas and have authorization to sell the gas to the highest bidder. A motion was made by Ms. Morrison to authorize selling the LP gas and the 4 associated tanks. The motion was seconded by Ms. Walker. Motion carried 6-0-1. Ms. Lezvow abstained.

Agenda Items for Next Meeting

The next regular school board meeting will be held at 7:00 p.m. on Monday, February 3, 2014. Agenda items will include Pupil Count Report, Referendum Update, School Board Convention Report, Tech Ed Program Update, Board Member Concerns, Approval of Minutes Dated 1/20/14, Approval of Increase in Credit Requirements for High School, Approval of Course Registration Guide and Resignation of Certified Staff.

Adjournment

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

The meeting was adjourned at 8:55 p.m.

Lynette Ives, Clerk