

BOARD OF EDUCATION
PARDEEVILLE AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT
Pardeeville, WI

MINUTES
REGULAR BOARD MEETING
March 19, 2012

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Board President, Ms. Davel. Roll call was taken with the following board members present: Mr. Balsiger, Ms. Ives, Ms. Lezvow, Ms. Pufahl, Mr. Skaar, Ms. Walker and Ms. Davel. Ms. Paige Hauge, student representative to the board, was absent. Also present at this meeting were Mr. Knitt, Ms. Kamrath, Mr. Lenz, Mr. LeMay, Mr. Knapp, Ms. McElroy, Ms. Clemmons, Ms. Amber Houslet and Mr. Chris Lynch.

Open Forum

No open forum items were discussed.

Administrative Team Reports

Ms. Kamrath submitted a report informing the board about elementary activities. Students have been celebrating Dr. Seuss' birthday and *Read Across America* during the month of March. There was a reading contest to promote reading in school and at home. A family reading night was held on March 1st and fun activities were planned during the week of March 5th. The Response to Intervention committee met and will be working hard to plan and implement the positive behavior interventions and supports for the 2012-2013 school year. The March late start in-service time was devoted to having a brief overview of the math core standards and spending time looking at the Everyday Math Curriculum. Teachers were told to turn their budgets in by April 3rd. The PTO Science/Art Fair will be held on March 17th with about 50 science and 70 art entries for 4K-grade 8.

Mr. Lenz provided a report on middle school. About 20 fifth and sixth grade students participated in the Art and Science Fair on March 17th. Mr. Lenz's report included the results of the WKCE 2011 testing. Students whose scores indicated a need are already receiving help. About 35 students in grades 6-8 are signed up for track. There has also been some interest expressed from some fifth grade students to participate in track. Six middle school students participated in the school talent show on March 13th.

Mr. LeMay submitted a report on the high school. Twenty-four students are going to the Trailways Conference Math Meet on March 20th. Student Council hosted a Pardeeville's Got Talent event on March 13th. March 23rd is the student council field trip to the University of Minnesota/Mall of America. The Cancer Run Walk will be held on May 5th. High school scheduling for 2012-2013 classes is nearing completion. Mr. Brey's Current Issues class collected 70 pairs of shoes for the Soles4Souls organization. This is one of the service projects Mr. Brey has worked on with his students, all of which is part of the At-Risk program. Staff is busy budgeting for the 2012-2013 school year. Mr. LeMay has had discussions with Mr. Knapp about other improvements that they would like to see occur in the high school and a goal to develop a 5 year plan that would allow a cycle of improvement that is fiscally feasible.

The Response to Intervention steering committee in the high school continues to try and develop a system of support. This committee has decided to re-launch the Resource period next year and treat it more as a true academic support time. The Spanish teachers have begun plans for the Spanish Club trip for 2012-2013. Mr. LeMay copied the Board with the tentative plan for this trip. Mr. LeMay and Ms. Downs will be attending an Educational Planning and Assessment System meeting hosted by CESA 5 in April to learn how to better use the EXPLORE, PLAN and ACT test results to gauge student progress. The junior class has begun their planning for prom and the senior class has started to finalize decisions for graduation. The Academic Excellence banquet will be held on April 16th honoring our valedictorian and salutatorian. Mr. LeMay shared information about a flipped classroom concept where teacher-created videos and interactive lessons are now accessed at home in advance of class. Math teacher, Doreen Viking, is using this concept this year.

Mr. Knapp submitted a report on the Custodial/Maintenance Department. All exit and emergency lighting in the elementary school have been replaced with working fixtures. Bypass pipe work and valves were installed around the water meters in the high school and elementary school according to state code requirements. As part of the ongoing Life Safety Program, areas have been identified where, by electrical code, ground fault circuit interrupters (GFCI) will need to be installed and they will be doing that as the budget will allow. TruGreen Lawn Care will be starting their work at the elementary school and on the athletic fields in April. Mr. Knapp attended the Facilities Management Conference on February 28th and 29th. On March 13th and 14th Mr. Knapp will be attending classes dealing with asbestos.

Ms. McElroy reported on Technology in the district which included the following: **Equipment:** Three SmartBoards will be installed soon—two in elementary classrooms and one in the high school Spanish room. All three teachers took a class and have been sharing a SmartBoard with another classroom or using one of the mobile SmartBoards for instruction. Two of the SmartBoards along with projectors were paid for through a Wal-Mart grant and the elementary volleyball fund raiser. The Spanish room already had a projector so only the board was purchased. **Network & Software:** As part of this year's replacement cycle the tech department will be transitioning 12 desktop computers in the library with mobile devices that use wireless. The 7+ year old Linksys wireless router in the library will need to be replaced. The Dell 360 computers in the library will be used in classrooms to replace 8-9 year old computers. Ms. McElroy has been preparing eRate funding paperwork which needs to be filed before 3/21/12. This funding helps the school pay for a portion of the district's telephone service, internet service and web hosting fees. Ms. McElroy went to a Brainstorm 13.0 conference in March where she attended sessions on Bring Your Own Device concerns in schools, wireless deployment district wide, GoogleApps adoption and the new generation of firewalls. Ms. McElroy listed reasons why our school needs to replace its Lightspeed filtering system. She is looking at other solutions that will be more economical and will offer us more flexibility in how we filter our internet service.

Committee Reports

Curriculum Committee—this committee met on 3/15/12 to discuss textbook adoption for AP Psychology, AP Language and Composition, Middle School Math, Dual Credit MATC Course and AP Calculus. Part of this discussion included a discussion on electronic textbooks.

This committee also talked about MAP testing for K-2, an update on Response to Intervention and an update on the Curriculum Steering Committee. The next Curriculum Committee meeting will be held on May 17th at 8:00 a.m.

Student Representative Report

No report given.

Elementary Class Placement Lists

A proposal showing the criteria which will be used for 4K class placement was given to the school board for review. This item will be on the agenda for the next board meeting on April 2nd for approval.

K-2 MAP Testing Quote

MAP testing for grades 3-8 is already being used. This proposal would be for MAP testing for grades K-2 which would then provide the same common assessment screener for all K-8 students. Ms. Kamrath said when she talked with other schools all of those that emailed her their comments or talked with her felt that the MAP testing for K-2 was valuable and useful to drive instruction and see student progress. The K-2 proposal will be on the 4/2/12 agenda for approval.

Update on Enrollment Projections

Mr. Knitt provided a report on enrollment projections.

Special Meeting April 9, 2012

The school board will hold a special meeting on Monday, April 9, 2012 at 7:00 p.m. to determine the next steps to be taken as a result of the referendum election on April 3, 2012.

Referendum Update

A referendum informational meeting was held in the high school on March 12th. Additional referendum informational meetings will be held on Thursday, March 22nd at the Wyocena Community Room and on Tuesday, March 27th at the Marcellon Town Hall. Walk-thru tours will be held on Saturday, March 24 and Saturday, March 31. Information about the referendum will also be in the April/May issue of the district newsletter.

Approval of Minutes Dated 3/5/12

A motion was made by Ms. Pufahl to approve the minutes dated 3/5/12 as presented. The motion was seconded by Mr. Balsiger. Motion carried 7-0.

Approval of Receipts/Expenditures

A motion was made by Ms. Pufahl to approve the receipts/expenditures as presented. The motion was seconded by Ms. Lezow. Motion carried 7-0. Check numbers submitted and approved included checks 46615-46663, 46770-46832, 46862-46943, and 10145-10153.

Summer School

Mr. Knitt said he received information from Portage regarding summer swimming lessons for our students. The cost would be \$33.00 per child which is the same as last year. Last year parents paid the cost for the swimming lessons for their children and they paid \$5.00 if their children rode the bus for the lessons. The school paid the remainder of the bus transportation cost. The Board would like to know how much it would cost per child if they paid their own transportation. As far as other summer school classes, Ms. Kamrath would like to do two weeks again of remedial reading and math for elementary students. There would also be remedial middle school and high school classes for students who would need those classes. Mr. Knitt said we could save some money if we don't offer the enrichment summer school classes and it would free up the elementary building so that work on the panels and windows could get done if question one on the referendum gets passed. Also, more teachers would be available for curriculum work which needs to be done. Title II money could be used to pay for the curriculum work.

Approval of Spring Coaches

Spring coaches were submitted for approval: Kyle Herbert—Assistant Track, Molly Carlson—Assistant Track, John Lindquist—Middle School Track, Heather Falkner—Assistant Middle School Track, Kim Peterson—Varsity Softball, Alice Reigel—Middle School Softball, Bill Hebl—Varsity Baseball, Rod Osterhaus—JV Baseball, Max Jenatscheck—Middle School Baseball, Phil Kamrath—Varsity Golf and Randy Ebben—Assistant Golf. A motion was made by Ms. Levzow to approve the spring coaches as presented. Mr. Balsiger seconded the motion. Motion carried 7-0.

A list of volunteer spring coaches was also submitted for approval which included: Noah Schmidt—High School Baseball, Chuck Wais—High School Baseball, Scott Merwin—High School Baseball, Tim Kath—High School Baseball, Pat Brodie—Middle School Baseball, Matt Smith—Middle School Baseball, Randy Weihert—Middle School Baseball, Tara Runaas—Softball, Emily Schumann—Softball, Katie Cirone—Softball, Steve Neesam—Golf, Jordan Parker—Golf, and Jesse Kath—Golf. A motion was made by Ms. Pufahl to approve the volunteer coaches. Ms. Walker seconded the motion. Motion carried 6-1.

Approval of Art Club Trip to Chicago

Mr. Lynch asked the Board to approve an out-of-state trip to take Art Club students to Chicago on March 30, 2012. He gave an itinerary for the proposed trip to the Board. Approximately 30 students would be going on this trip. A motion was made by Ms. Levzow to approve the art club trip to Chicago. Mr. Balsiger seconded the motion. Motion carried 7-0.

Approval of Policy Book

A completed draft of the new policy book for the district was submitted for approval. A motion was made by Mr. Skaar to approve the policy book as updated. The motion was seconded by Ms. Levzow. Motion carried 7-0. Each board member was required to sign the adoption resolution for this new policy book. This book will now be sent on to NEOLA to complete the final revisions. Mr. Knitt will look into getting this book in an electronic version which will be kept up to date and everyone will be able to see it online.

Agenda Items for Next Meeting

The next regular board meeting will be held at 7:00 p.m. on Monday, April 2, 2012 in the high School Library. Agenda items will include Elementary Family Handbook, Elementary Staff Handbook, Board Members to Hand Out Diplomas, Referendum Update, Report on District Administrator Meeting with MATC, Approval of Minutes Dated 3/19/12, Approval of Overnight/Sunday Trip for Student Council on April 29 and 30, Approval of 4K Placement Procedure, Approval of MAP Proposal for K-2, Approval of Resignation from Varsity Volleyball Coach, Approval of Resignations from High School Forensics Advisors, Approval of Youth Options Courses, and Approval of New Textbooks.

Executive Session

An executive session was held under 19.85(1)(c)(f) to approve Executive Meeting Minutes dated 3/5/12, to discuss layoffs due to budgetary concerns, layoffs due to referendum, and modification to an expulsion order.

Action on Items from Executive Session

A motion was made by Ms. Levzow to approve the administration's recommendation of certified staff layoffs due to budgetary concerns. The motion was seconded by Mr. Balsiger. Motion carried 7-0.

A motion was made by Ms. Pufahl to approve administrations' recommendation of certified staff layoffs due to referendum. The motion was seconded by Ms. Walker. Motion carried 7-0.

A motion was made by Ms. Walker to modify the expulsion order. The motion was seconded by Mr. Skaar. Motion carried 7-0.

Adjournment

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

Becky Levzow, Clerk