

BOARD OF EDUCATION
PARDEEVILLE AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT
Pardeeville, WI

MINUTES
REGULAR BOARD MEETING
January 16, 2012

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 p.m. by Board President, Ms. Davel. Roll call was taken with the following board members present: Mr. Balsiger, Ms. Ives, Ms. Levzow, Ms. Pufahl, Mr. Skaar, Ms. Walker and Ms. Davel. Ms. Paige Hauge, student representative, was absent. Also present at this meeting were Mr. Knitt, Mr. LeMay, Mr. Lenz, Ms. McElroy, Mr. Knapp, and Ms. Clemmons.

Open Forum

There were no open forum items.

Administrative Team Reports

Ms. Kamrath submitted a report informing the board about elementary activities. Third and fourth grade staff, special ed, reading and math Title teachers attended the MAP training on 1/5/12. MAP testing will take place the week of January 23-27 at elementary. Student Council will be hosting a penny drop prior to the Super Bowl. Profits will be used for school improvements. Student Council will be providing breakfast on January 13th for our crossing guards in recognition of Crossing Guard Week. Two Pardeeville Elementary students who won their grade level spelling bees will be representing our school at the Central Wisconsin Talented and Gifted Spelling Bee in Reedsburg on 1/17/12. Ms. Kamrath will be meeting with the CESA 5 Gifted and Talented coordinator on 1/11/12 to work on our district Gifted and Talented plan for DPI. A practice lock down will be held in the elementary school during the month of January with students and staff similar to the monthly fire drill. The Response to Intervention (Rti) Committee has split into two groups—academic and behavioral. The behavioral group is working to establish school wide behaviors in all areas of our school. For the academic group, math access is up and running. Students are grouped according to abilities and staff members are working with them during a 20-25 minute math access intervention.

Mr. Lenz provided a report on middle school. The middle school Response to Intervention (Rti) team attended a workshop sponsored by CESA 5 where they learned some things they are doing right and others they need to begin doing. Teacher leader training for MAP testing was held on 1/5/12. Middle School students are adjusting to smaller incentive trips. This quarter the students are going to Portage to see a movie. Staff members have been briefed on the new middle school schedule and they are happy with the changes. They are in the process of crunching numbers to make the classes balance out.

Mr. LeMay submitted a report on the high school. Advanced Spanish students participated in a holiday presentation for elementary students. Student Council had a successful “Christmas Wishes” activity providing items for four families in our community. Mr. Lynch had Letha Kelsey visit and speak to his art classes on 1/11/12. Ms. Kelsey is a member of the University of Wisconsin-Colleges Art Department faculty at the Baraboo/Sauk County campus and was the January artist at the Drury Gallery in Portage. Pardeeville High School hosted a Financial Aid night on 1/9/12. Parents of juniors and seniors were welcome to attend and received information on filling out scholarships and the FAFSA form. Approximately 45 families attended.

Second quarter and first semester ends on January 19th. Exam days are January 18th and 19th. PLAN testing for sophomores will take place on 1/24/12. ACT'S PLAN program is designed to help 10th graders build a solid foundation for future academic and career success and serve as a marker for success on the ACT. Mr. LeMay attended the Trailways Conference Principal meeting on 1/11/12. The meeting covered topics such as teacher evaluations, common Core Standards, Rti/PBIS and sportsmanship. Six juniors involved in the Youth Leadership Program attended a session on 1/11/12 at the Columbia County Courthouse. The high school registration matrix is complete and Ms. Downs is hoping to speak to students about classes and registration starting on January 23rd.

Ms. McElroy reported on Technology in the district which included the following: **Equipment:** The Tech Department is replacing the refurbished computers in the Middle School lab before MAP testing takes place since there has been a high amount of CPU failure in that lab this year. Middle and High School staff computers are also being upgraded according to the replacement schedule. Ms. McElroy is setting up 6 iPads—2 for special ed and 4 for the Library Media Center which were purchased through common school funds. **Network and Software:** Teachers in third through eighth grade were trained how to take and administer the MAP test on computers. The Tech Department creates the rosters and sets up the testing window, etc. The current software Curriculum4Schools is being converted and moved into a new software program called Build Your Own Curriculum.

Mr. Knapp submitted a report on the Custodial/Maintenance Department. Recent repairs include replacing a water pump that failed in the elementary school and repair of the cooling unit in the server room. Mr. Knapp is working on the specifics for the individual referendum projects. Eleven two-way radios were purchased to meet the new Federal 2013 narrow frequency band mandate. The radios usually cost about \$400 but Mr. Knapp was able to purchase them for \$125 each. Mr. Knapp has been busy getting materials ready to hand over to the Marcellon Town Board in order to have a smooth transition of ownership for the Marcellon School property. The two maintenance technicians have been busy with assignments. One focusing on daily work orders, the mechanical equipment, snow plowing and salting. The other maintenance technician is concentrating on inspecting fire extinguishers, fire exit signs, emergency lighting and elevators and will be starting on some remodeling projects. Custodial employees have been busy keeping the buildings clean, controlling the salt tracked into the buildings and setting up gyms for sporting events.

Committee Reports

Curriculum Committee—met on 1/12/12 to discuss the 2012-2013 high school registration guide, math curriculum K-6, map testing K-2 and had an update on the curriculum steering committee. This Curriculum Committee's next meeting is scheduled for 3/15/12 beginning at 8:00 a.m.

Buildings & Grounds Committee—met on 1/3/12 to discuss and prioritize potential buildings and grounds and technology projects for the April referendum. The Buildings & Grounds Committee meeting for 1/23/12 was cancelled.

Personnel Committee—no report given.

Policy Committee—met on 12/26/11 to review policies in series 9000, 2000, 5000, 3000 and 4000. The Policy Committee meeting on 1/23/12 was cancelled.

Student Representative Report

No report was given.

Approval of Minutes Dated 1/3/12

A motion was made by Ms. Pufahl to approve the minutes dated 1/3/12 as printed. Ms. Ives seconded the motion. Motion carried 7-0.

Approval of Special Meeting Minutes Dated 1/9/12

A motion was made by Ms. Walker to approve the special meeting minutes dated 1/9/12 as written. Ms. Levzow seconded the motion. Motion carried 7-0.

Approval of Receipts/Expenditures

A motion was made by Ms. Levzow to approve the receipts/expenditures. Mr. Balsiger seconded the motion. Motion carried 7-0. Check numbers submitted and approved included 10123-10132, 46256-46302, 46383-46443, and 46477-46546.

Initial Resolution Authorizing General Obligation Bonds

A motion was made by Ms. Pufahl to approve the initial resolution authorizing general obligation bonds in an amount not to exceed \$1,000,000. Ms. Ives seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken: Mr. Balsiger—yes, Ms. Ives—yes, Ms. Levzow—yes, Ms. Pufahl—yes, Mr. Skaar—yes, Ms. Walker—yes, and Ms. Davel—yes. Motion carried 7-0.

Resolution Authorizing the School District Budget to Exceed Revenue Limit

Ms. Levzow made a motion to approve a resolution authorizing the school district budget to exceed revenue limit by \$925,000 for two years for non-recurring purposes. Ms. Walker seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken: Mr. Balsiger—yes, Ms. Ives—yes, Ms. Levzow—yes, Ms. Pufahl—yes, Mr. Skaar—yes, Ms. Walker—yes, and Ms. Davel—yes. Motion carried 7-0.

Resolution Providing for a Referendum Election on the Questions

Ms. Pufahl made a motion to approve a resolution providing for a referendum election on the questions of the approval of an initial resolution authorizing the issuance of general obligation bonds in an amount not to exceed \$1,000,000 and a resolution authorizing the school district budget to exceed revenue limit by \$925,000 for two years for non-recurring purposes. Mr. Balsiger seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken: Mr. Balsiger—yes, Ms. Ives—yes, Ms. Levzow—yes, Ms. Pufahl—yes, Mr. Skaar—yes, Ms. Walker—yes, and Ms. Davel—yes. Motion carried 7-0.

Approval of Overnight Trip for FFA on February 24 & 25, 2012

Mr. Bouwkamp asked the school board to approve an overnight trip on February 24th for three students and two chaperones to go to Wisconsin Rapids for an FFA career training and leadership conference. A motion was made by Ms. Levzow to approve the overnight trip for FFA. The motion was seconded by Ms. Pufahl. Motion carried 7-0.

Approval of Out-of-State Trip for Drama Club

A trip for approximately 25-30 Drama Club students to go to Medieval Times in Schaumburg, Illinois was submitted to the school board for approval. The exact date was not set yet but the trip would most likely be either the end of April or beginning of May. A motion was made by Ms. Levzow to approve the out-of-state trip for the Drama Club. The motion was seconded by Ms. Pufahl. Motion carried 7-0.

Approval of 2012-2013 High School Registration Guide

Each of the board members was given a copy of the proposed 2012-2013 high school registration guide for review and approval. A motion was made by Mr. Balsiger to approve the 2012-2013 high school registration guide. The motion was seconded by Ms. Levzow. Motion carried 7-0.

Approval of TruGreen Proposal

A proposal from TruGreen was resubmitted to the Board for approval along with a list of schools that presently use this company. This proposal was for three years and included fertilization and weed control of the elementary school, middle/high school complex, phy ed fields, football field, and baseball and softball fields for a cost of \$5,910 per year. The rate would be fixed for three years. A discussion was held by the school board that perhaps we should try having TruGreen do one of our building sites on a trial basis for the first year before considering having them do both building sites. This would also keep the cost down. A motion was made by Ms. Ives to hire TruGreen for one year to do the football, baseball, softball and phy ed fields and the elementary school based on their quote. The motion was seconded by Ms. Pufahl. Motion carried 7-0. The cost for the services approved came to \$3,885.00.

Agenda Items for Next Meeting

The next regular school board meeting will be held on February 6, 2012 beginning at 7:00 p.m. in the high school library. Agenda items will include: Report on WASB Convention, Report on January Pupil count, Referendum Update, Petition to Alter School District Boundaries, Approval of Minutes Dated 1/16/12, Approval of Coach for Pardeeville Students Participating in Wisconsin State High School Ice Fishing Championship, and an executive session to approve executive meeting minutes dated 12/5/11, to hear an update on probationary certified staff, an update on probationary certified staff plan of improvement, and discuss a certified staff resignation.

Adjournment

A motion to adjourn was made by Ms. Walker. The motion was seconded by Ms. Ives. Motion carried 7-0. The meeting was adjourned at 8:32 p.m.

Becky Levzow, Clerk