

BOARD OF EDUCATION
PARDEEVILLE AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT
Pardeeville, WI
MINUTES
REGULAR BOARD MEETING
February 5, 2018

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Ms. Levzow, Board Vice President. Roll call was taken with the following board members present: Mr. Balsiger, Ms. Ives, Ms. Levzow, Mr. Pulver, Mr. Smith, and Ms. Walker. Ms. Pufahl and Ms. Natalie Farrington, student representative, were absent. Also present at this meeting were Mr. Knitt, Ms. Kamrath, Mr. Bell, Mr. Hammer, Ms. McElroy, Mr. Krueger, Ms. Clemmons and Mr. Phil Kamrath.

Construction Update

Mr. Knitt reported on the construction project. A teleconference was held during the board meeting with Mr. Tom Zahalka, Project Manager from Miron Construction. Mr. Zahalka explained a proposal with a new construction timeline, which would provide lower and better bids. The new proposal includes doing the renovation areas of the library, fitness center and art room during summer 2018 in conjunction with the new addition, which would begin in April. The present library, music room, high school office, and district office areas will all need to be cleaned out by June 6 for the renovation to begin. Temporary offices will need to be set up for the high school office and the district office during the time of construction. Completion of the entire project would be in the spring of 2019. Board members were receptive to the new proposed timeline. Mr. Knitt said an additional meeting will be held with General Engineering and with Miron Construction to make sure everything is being covered.

Pupil Count Report

For the January pupil count there were 797 students attending Pardeeville Schools in all grade levels.

School Board Convention Report

Mr. Pulver, Ms. Walker, Ms. Ives, Mr. Balsiger, and Ms. Levzow each reported on the different sessions they attended while they were at the state school board convention in Milwaukee in January. Each board member attended four breakout sessions. They also attended the session that Mr. Knitt spoke at, which was entitled School District Free Agent Teachers and Administrators.

Board Member Concerns

Mr. Pulver inquired about lead testing in the school. He also asked about an incident that happened at a recent basketball game in Rio. Mr. Knitt responded he is looking into the incident. Mr. Knitt reported on a cracked sewer pipe in the high school that had to be repaired.

Approval of Minutes Dated 1/15/18

A motion was made by Mr. Balsiger to approve the minutes dated 1/15/18. The motion was seconded by Mr. Pulver. Motion carried 4-0-2. Mr. Smith and Ms. Ives abstained.

Approval of Support Staff

A motion was made by Ms. Ives to approve hiring Ms. Jan Bush for the food service position pending the background check. The motion was seconded by Mr. Smith. Motion carried 6-0.

Approval of Donation from Wyocena Helping Hands

A donation that was received from Wyocena Helping Hands to pay for meals for the elementary school winter parenting class was submitted to the Board for approval. A motion was made by Mr. Pulver to approve the donation from Wyocena Helping Hands with a thank you. The motion was seconded by Ms. Walker. Motion carried 6-0.

Approval of Book Donations

A donation for the elementary school of some picture books from the family of Sara Smith, former kindergarten teacher, was submitted for approval. A motion was made by Mr. Smith to approve the donation of books from the family of Sara Smith. The motion was seconded by Mr. Balsiger. Motion carried 6-0.

Approval of Overnight Trip for Skills USA

An overnight trip request was presented to the Board for approval for students to attend the Skills USA state convention on April 24 and 25, 2018. It was discussed that there needs to be same gender chaperones with a ratio of 1 chaperone to every 6 students for overnight trips. A motion was made by Mr. Balsiger to approve the overnight trip for Skills USA pending the correct number of chaperones. The motion was seconded by Ms. Ives. Motion carried 6-0.

Approval of Second Reading of NEOLA Policies

Based on a discussion during first reading of policies at the last meeting, Mr. Knitt provided an updated version of Policy 8330—Student Records and an explanation about questions raised regarding Policy 8800 Religious and Patriotic Ceremonies and Observances. A motion was made by Ms. Ives to approve the second reading of the NEOLA policies listed as 1-13 on the agenda. The motion was seconded by Ms. Walker. Motion carried 6-0.

Agenda Items for Next Meeting

The next regular school board meeting will be held at 7:00 p.m. on Monday, February 19, 2018. Agenda items will include: Open Forum, Administrative Team Reports, Committee Reports, Student Representative Report, Construction Update, Board Member Concerns, Approval of Minutes Dated 2/5/18 Approval of Receipts/Expenditures, Approval of Donation from United Community Bank, Approval of Donation from Lions Club, and Approval of Play Director.

Adjournment

A motion was made by Mr. Pulver to adjourn. The motion was seconded by Ms. Ives. Motion carried 6-0.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:40 p.m.

Lynette Ives, Clerk