

BOARD OF EDUCATION
PARDEEVILLE AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT
Pardeeville, WI
MINUTES
REGULAR BOARD MEETING
September 4, 2018

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, Mr. Kath, Ms. Levzow, Mr. Pulver, Ms. Walker and Ms. Pufahl. Ms. Natalie Farrington, student representative, was absent. Also present were Mr. Knitt, Ms. Kamrath, Mr. Bell, Mr. Weber, Mr. Krueger, Ms. McElroy, Ms. Clemmons, Mr. Bruce Brey, Ms. Crystal Huset, Ms. Carol Babcock, Mr. Phil Kamrath, and Mr. Chris Lindert.

Construction Tour and Update

A tour was given of the renovated areas including the library, fitness center, art room and new classrooms and the new construction areas. The middles school/high school library should be ready in another week or so and the art room is ready for classes.

At Risk Program Overview

Mr. Brey and Ms. Huset gave a presentation about three at-risk intervention approaches used at Pardeeville: 1) Supported study hall/executive skill development; 2) Credit recovery using online curriculum (Gradpoint), Readers/Writers' Workshop and independent study courses; and 3) GED02 program for severely credit deficient students. Steps for the STARS program include referral, student elects to join, determining which approach is appropriate, and developing an individual graduation plan.

Madison College Gateway Program

Ms. Huset presented information about the Madison College Gateway program. This program helps students between the ages of 16-21 who dropped out of high school or are behind in graduation requirements. Through this program, students can obtain a high school diploma and earn college credits at the same time. Approximate cost to the District would be \$3,500 per semester. We would need to approve and sign a contract with Madison College if we choose to go with this program. This will be on the next board meeting agenda for consideration.

Mental Health Grant

Pardeeville Schools received a mental health grant to improve mental health awareness and collaboration for children, youth and families. All 112 staff members of the Pardeeville School District received Youth Mental Health training in August. Follow up training will occur on trauma, anxiety, depression and compassion fatigue. Pardeeville counselors will attend community meetings and our school will improve the space used for an outside therapist to meet with students and families within the school. The Pardeeville School District will also be providing parenting classes at the elementary school, a MS/HS parent series, and a Community Youth Mental Health First Aid Training.

Board Development Exercise #5

The Board discussed "Terrible Habit #5: "Never Question the Administration" taken from the book, *How Not to be a Terrible School Board Member*.

Board Member Concerns

Mr. Kath recommended calling this agenda item "Board Comments and Questions" rather than Board Member Concerns. Ms. Pufahl congratulated the boys' football team for helping with sand bags. Mr. Kath asked whether board members are issued FOB keys and about allowing school districts to start the school year at an earlier time. Mr. Balsiger had some questions about an article in a WASB *School News* magazine about Classroom Technology and Student Privacy regarding downloading and using apps in the classroom.

Approval of Minutes Dated 8/20/18

Motion by Ms. Levzow/seconded by Mr. Kath to approve the minutes dated 8/20/18. Motion passed 6-0-1.

Approval of Support Staff

Motion by Ms. Walker/seconded by Ms. Ives to approve hiring Ms. Rose Thran for the custodial position.
Motion passed 7-0.

Approval of Ball Diamond Maintenance Bids

Motion by Mr. Balsiger/seconded by Ms. Walker to approve the ball diamond maintenance bid from Ball Diamond Fine Sports Turf for \$15,330. Motion passed 7-0.

Approval of Wellness Center Guidelines

The Buildings & Grounds Committee met tonight and discussed Wellness Center guidelines, posting for staffing, orientation and training, etc. Guidelines will be put together and submitted for approval at the 9/17/18 board meeting.

Approval of Donation of Equipment from MATC for Tech Ed Department

The Board was asked to approve a donation from MATC of a six axis industrial robot arm and two downdraft tables for welding and plasma cutting for our Tech Ed department. Motion by Ms. Levzow/seconded by Mr. Balsiger to approve the donation of equipment from MATC for the Tech Ed department. Motion passed 7-0.

Approval of Donation from PTO

Motion by Mr. Pulver/seconded by Ms. Walker to approve the donation of gift cards for the elementary teachers from the PTO with a thank you. Motion passed 7-0.

Approval of Donation from PBSF for Boys Basketball

Motion by Ms. Ives/seconded by Ms. Levzow to approve a \$1,000 donation from PBSF for boys' basketball equipment. Motion passed 7-0.

Agenda Items for Next Meeting

The next regular school board meeting will be held at 7:00 p.m. on Monday, September 17, 2018. Agenda items will include: Open Forum, Administrative Team Reports, Committee Reports, Student Representative Report, Tech Ed Update and Tour, Middle School Wrestling Program, Attendance at WASB State Convention on January 23-24, 2019, Construction Update, Board Comments and Questions, Approval of Minutes Dated 9/4/2018, Approval of Receipts/Expenditures, Approval of Support Staff, Approval of Overnight/Out of State Trip for FFA National Convention, Approval of Madison College Gateway Program, Approval of Wellness Center Guidelines, Approval of Donation from PBSF for Orientation Day, and a closed session to approve closed session minutes dated 9/4/18 and to discuss spring coaches evaluations.

Closed Session

A closed session was held under 19.85(1)(c) of the Wisconsin state Statutes to approve closed session minutes dated 7/16/18, 7/19/18 and 7/24/18 and to discuss spring coaches evaluations and a harassment complaint.

Adjournment

Motion by Mr. Pulver/seconded by Ms. Walker to adjourn. Motion passed 7-0. The meeting adjourned at 9:43 p.m.

Lynette Ives, Clerk