

**SPECIAL BOARD MEETING  
DECEMBER 5, 2011**

Pursuant to the regulations, the Special board meeting was held on the above date in the District Office Board Room.

**PRESIDENTS COMMENTS AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:**

Mr. Shambeau asked Bob Cloud to lead the Board in the Pledge of Allegiance.

**CALL TO ORDER:**

The meeting was called to order by the president, Mr. Steve Shambeau at 6:00 p.m.

**ROLL CALL:**

PRESENT: Steve Shambeau, Kirsten Greenfield, Connie Baldwin, Steve Johnson, Sandy Robinson, Kenley Hansen and Betty Manion.

**ALSO PRESENT:**

David Poeschl, Susan Davenport, Lee Nowicki, Carl Eggebrecht, Carl Hayek, Ben Rayome, Maureen Markon, Rob Becker, Glenn Flatoff, Sue Woodliff, Joann Miller, Susie Lettau, Heidi Fischer, Ashley Buening, Mark Therman, Kylene Parman, Todd Mallasch, Shelly Christie, Karalyn Belcher, Brad Bogard, Bob Cloud, Jack Barry and John Erspamer.

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA:**

A motion was made by Steve Johnson and seconded by Kenley Hansen to approve the agenda as presented. The motion carried unanimously on a voice vote.

**PRESENTATION BY ADMINISTRATION:**

A. Overview by Dr David Poeschl -

Decreasing population along with the District's decision to move two kindergarten classrooms from the Chain O' Lakes Elementary School to the Waupaca Learning Center this year has generated much discussion about the potential of Chain O' Lakes Elementary School being closed at some point in the near future.

Two factors driving discussion

1. Effective education
2. Efficient education

as identified in the Board's Mission Statement. The **mission** of the Waupaca School District is to assist individuals in **reaching their potential by providing cost effective education** that prepares students to be life long learners and contributing members of society.

We are here to present the facts relative to the District's ability to house all of our programs in more limited space. This discussion will include not only our K-12 schools, but the Waupaca Accelerated Learning Center, the Central School building, and the District Business Office. Before I get into the detail of tonight's presentations, I would like to give you Administration's recommendation so you can put the discussion in context. While it is the Board's decision to set a facilities plan for the future, Administration will be making a recommendation as follows:

1. Continue this year's pattern of reducing 2 classes per year from the Chain O' Lakes Elementary School for the next two years. This will allow for a more gradual transition and give the District flexibility to accommodate any changes in the enrollment pattern over the next two years.

2. Move the 5<sup>th</sup> Grade to the Waupaca Middle School beginning with the 2012-2013 school year. This recommendation makes sense from the standpoint of providing better educational opportunities to our 5<sup>th</sup> grade students and staff.

3. Move the WALC to the High School on a permanent basis. This will leave the current WALC facility vacant.

4. Proceed to develop a plan to move the Business Office services to locations within the High School and the Waupaca Learning Center. This will leave the current District Office facility vacant.

5. Raze the current Central Building.

B. Chain O' Lakes Elementary School by Ms. Susan Davenport (see attached)

C. Waupaca Learning Center by Mr. John Erspamer (see attached)

D. Waupaca Middle School by Mr. Ben Rayome (see attached)

E. Budgetary factors by Mr. Carl Hayek (see attached)

F. Central Building update by Mr. Carl Hayek (see attached)

G. Summary by Dr David Poeschl

**BOARD RECOMMENDATION TO PROCEED:**

A motion was made by Sandy Robinson and seconded by Kenley Hansen to continue the pattern of moving 2 classes per year

from the Chain O' Lakes Elementary School to the Waupaca Learning Center for the next two years at which time the feasibility of the school will again be evaluated and move the 5<sup>th</sup> Grade class to the Waupaca Middle School beginning with the 2012-2013 school year. The motion carried unanimously on a voice vote. Board President Steve Shambeau thanked the Administration for their thoughtful consideration, preparation, and their recommendation in this regard.

**BUS BIDS:**

Following a presentation by Mr. Lee Nowicki, a motion was made by Steve Johnson and seconded by Connie Baldwin to accept the bid for two Bluebird buses at \$86,515 each. While this was not the low bid, other factors, including parts inventory, performance, fuel mileage, and fleet consistency convinced the Board to accept this bid. The motion carried unanimously on a voice vote.

**ADJOURNMENT:**

A motion was made by Kirsten Greenfield and seconded by Kenley Hansen to adjourn the meeting at 7:10 p.m. Motion carried unanimously on a voice vote.

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Kirsten Greenfield, Clerk  
Board of Education