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SCHOOL BOARD MEETING MINUTES MARCH 13, 2018 Regular Meeting

Pursuant to the regulations, the regular board meeting was held on the above date in the Waupaca High School Community Room.

President's Comments and Pledge of Allegiance:

Stephen Johnson welcomed everyone and asked Teresa Duda to lead the Board in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Call to Order:

The meeting was called to order by President Stephen Johnson at 5:15 p.m.

Roll Call:

Present: All board members present except Steven Johnson.

Also Present:

Greg Nyen, Carl Hayek, Julie Eiden, Don Smith, Maureen Markon, Lee Nowicki, WIN TV, John Erspamer, Scott Van Ess, Megan Sanders, Mark Flaten, Carol Beyer-Makuski, Bob Cloud, Theresa Duda, Carl Eggebrecht, Jen Erb, Michelle Drankus and several bus drivers.

Approval of Agenda:

A motion was made by Sandra Robinson and seconded by Dmitri Martin to approve the agenda with items IX.B.4.a&b – Preliminary Non-Renewals being pulled from the consent agenda and moved to VIII.D.5 (immediately preceding the consent agenda). Motion passed unanimously on a voice vote.

Public Comment:

Mr. John Laedke, Mr. Thomas Miller and Ms. Nancy Miller addressed the Board voicing their concerns over the proposed preliminary non-renewal of Mr. Janssen.

Approval of Minutes:

A motion was made by Steve Hackett and seconded by Sandra Robinson to approve the February 13, 2018 minutes, as presented. The motion carried unanimously on a voice vote.

A motion was made by Patrick Phair and seconded by Steve Hackett to approve the February 23, 2018 minutes, as presented. The motion carried unanimously on a voice vote.

A motion was made by Patrick Phair and seconded by Sandra Robinson to approve the February 27, 2018 minutes, as presented. The motion carried unanimously on a voice vote.

Community Partnership & Recognition:

It was noted that March 5-9, 2018 was National School Breakfast Week.

District Administrator's Report:

Dr. Nyen noted several items: 1) after review of several candidates a team of stakeholders including students, parents, staff and administration interviewed three highly qualified candidates and recommended hiring of Mike Werbowski; 2) in the wake of recent events regarding school safety, State Representative Soudy Pope has circulated a group of bills call Wisconsin Student Safety Package; 3) with the one month anniversary of tragic loss of life in Parkland, Florida and the national efforts underway to engage students in protest – administration asks that students and community members respect the rights of those who wish to remain in the classroom and not be disruptive to the learning environment; 4) Waupaca Breakfast Rotary Club sponsored the fundraiser *Casino Royale* on February 16th and realized a 30% increase in donations. More than \$9000 were raised to support the efforts of rotary – one of which is education; 5) Retired Director Michael George was present recently to hear our 8th grade band and choir perform and he penned a letter to the Middle School staff complementing them on their performances; 6) one-year reunion of the event referred to as #WaupacaWay2k30 is scheduled for Thursday, April 26th from 5:30 – 8:30 p.m.; and 7) congratulations to our Chain Exploration Center Leadership team on the completion of the Charter School Grant Application.

Board Monitoring:

Special Education: Maureen Markon gave an overview of the data on indicators 9 & 10 regarding disproportionate representation of racial and ethnic groups and noted that while our district scored well over-all, she did have some areas that stood out and would be focused on when reviewing our current intervention processes. Ms. Drankus reviewed the recently implemented Early Intervention Services through the Pyramid Model. She explained the program and how it will be utilized throughout all of our Early Childhood and 4K sites.

School Board:

Meetings Attended:

Patrick Phair reported on some of the sessions that he recently attended during the WASB Legal & HR Workshop.

School Visits:

Steve Hackett reported that he had visited all of the schools this past month with the exception of the Chain. In particular he visited with about 15 teachers at the Middle School and quite enjoyed his visit in Ms. Deuman's classroom.

Patrick Phair reported that he had visited the Chain School and that Ms. Hare had given him a tour and overview of how the building will be utilized by the Charter School.

Upcoming Meetings:

The Board was reminded of the following upcoming meetings:

April 4, 2018 – Election Canvas

April 10, 2018 – Regular Board Meeting – 5:15 p.m.

April 26, 2018 - #WaupacaWay2K30 Reunion

Administrator:

Review/Approve Transportation Services RFP:

A motion was made by Sandra Robinson and seconded by Betty Manion to approve the transportation RFP as presented. The motion carried unanimously on a voice vote.

Revision of Policy Code 345.6 – Graduation Requirements:

A motion was made by Steve Hackett and seconded by Dmitri Martin to approve policy 345.6 – Graduation Requirements as updated. The motion carried unanimously on a voice vote.

JV2 Freshman Baseball Request:

A motion was made by Patrick Phair and seconded by Sandra Robinson to a JV2 freshman baseball team for this year. The motion carried unanimously on a voice vote.

Summer School Fees:

A motion was made by Patrick Phair and seconded by Sandra Robinson to approve the suspension of summer school fees for the 2017-2018 summer session. The motion carried unanimously on a voice vote.

Preliminary Non-Renewal Notices:

After discussion on how best to proceed with these items and a brief recess to try to communicate with legal counsel – A motion was made by Sandra Robinson to proceed with the release of the preliminary notices of non-renewal as presented. The motion died for lack of a second.

Consent Agenda:

A motion was made by Sandra Robinson and seconded by Dmitri Martin to approve the items of the consent agenda:

Financial Reports:

Accounts Payable Approval - \$2,370,369.13

Cash Receipts - \$5,895,379.31

Treasurers Reports –

Extra-Curricular - Resignations:

Dennis Abrahamson – JV1 Softball

Julie Thobaben – Freshman JV2 Softball

Extra-Curricular:

Mike Waldschmidt – Upper Elem. Basketball

Kyle Douglas – JV2 Baseball

Julie Thobaben – Asst. JV 1 Softball

Wes Zube – Asst. Boys Track

Ethan Dayton – Asst. JV1 Baseball

Neil Sternweis – Varsity Boys Track Head

Lori Jungers – MS Play – 3rd Adv.

Extra-Curricular - Volunteer:

Alisa Masias – Girls Track

Erin Montgomery – Girls Track

Resignations/Retirements:

Heidi Pence – Elem. Computers

Jennifer Lambert – HS Aide

Hires:

Interim Contract for Aaron Jenson – March 15, 2018 – June 30, 2018

Michael Werbowski – High School Principal

The motion carried unanimously on a roll call vote.

Also included in the packet were copies of the FOCUS publications, Wis. Taxpayer, Policy Perspectives, thank you notes, ThedaCare donation and foundry donation.

ADJOURNMENT INTO CLOSED SESSION:

A motion was made by Sandra Robinson and seconded by Steve Hackett at 7:15 p.m. to adjourn into closed session in accordance with Wis. Stats. 19.85(1)(c) for discussion and action, if appropriate, regarding the employment, compensation or performance evaluation data of any public employee over which the governmental body has jurisdiction or exercises responsibility, and under Wis. Stat. 19.85(1)(e) to conduct other specified public business, when competitive or bargaining reasons require a closed session. Specifically to address professional staff staffing for 2018-2019, employment, resignation, retirement and misconduct and to address support staff misconduct. The motion carried unanimously on a roll call vote.

Dr. Nyen gave information reports to the Board regarding a support staff discipline issue, professional staff employment issues.

ADJOURNMENT:

A motion was made by Patrick Phair and seconded by Sandra Robinson to adjourn the meeting at 9:10 p.m. The motion carried unanimously on a voice vote.

_____Date_____
Stephen Johnson, President
Board of Education

_____Date_____
Patrick Phair, Clerk
Board of Education