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**JOINT SCHOOL DISTRICT OF WAUPACA BOARD OF EDUCATION AND
CHAIN EXPLORATION CENTER GOVERNANCE COUNCIL
MEETING MINUTES**

February 1, 2023 – 5:30 p.m.

Pursuant to the regulations, a joint meeting of the School District of Waupaca Board of Education and Chain Exploration Center Governance Council was held on the above date in the Waupaca High School Community Room and live streamed via YouTube.

The purpose of the Board Meeting Minutes is to capture the essence of discussions through the actions voted on. These minutes should not be interpreted to represent a transcription of the meeting. To watch a recording of this meeting, please click [here](#).

Call to Order:

The meeting was called to order by School Board President Stephen Johnson at 5:30 p.m.

Roll Call:

Present in the WHS Community Room: Stephen Johnson, Dale Feldt, Steve Klismet, Molly McDonald, Patrick Phair, Betty Manion, and Ron Brooks.

Also Present:

Present in the WHS Community Room: Ron Saari, Sandy Lucas, Mark Flaten, Carrie Naparalla, and Chain Exploration Center Governance Council members Megan Sanders, Sandy Robinson, and Terra Morris.

Approval of Agenda:

A motion was made by Dale Feldt and seconded by Steve Klismet to approve the agenda as presented. The motion carried unanimously on a voice vote.

Review of SDW Board Meeting Norms:

The Board reviewed their collective commitments.

Schedule Future Meetings:

Board President Stephen Johnson advised that we will begin with scheduling future meetings. He added we also need to determine how to structure the group – do we want it to be the full Board and full Governance Council (GC) or representatives of both on a committee. He reminded everyone that per the motion that was passed, we have an existing contract for a year while we work on a new one so there is no absolute timeline, but we are to meet at least twice a month. He also emphasized that these will be open meetings so anyone who wants to attend can do so whether or not they're on the committee.

Several Board and GC members suggested that we don't schedule any meetings on Wednesday nights, and Board member Dale Feldt advised he cannot attend Tuesdays before 3 p.m. It was also suggested that a consistent day and time be set. Mr. Johnson advised that if we meet as a Board as a whole, some Board members work during the day so the meetings would have to be at 5:30 p.m. or later; however, if we form a committee, the meetings may be able to be held earlier. The GC advised that meetings during the day would work best for most of their members as they have children in school. Several Board members felt that forming a committee would move things along faster, and that this group would then report to their respective Board/Council.

The GC was asked if they have a charter school that they look up to as being the gold standard. They advised that they have found that there are a lot of pieces from several different schools that they like, but they don't have one in particular. CEC Principal Carrie Naparalla added that she is now encouraging staff to visit other charter schools to see how they compare.

Board member Steve Klismet recommended that a committee of four members each from the Board and GC be formed. Board President Johnson then advised we will proceed with appointment of a committee unless there are any objections – there were none. He added that we will attempt to keep the meetings to an hour and a half at the most, but cautioned that depending on the subject matter of the discussion happening at the time, the meeting could go longer.

A suggestion was made that perhaps one of the monthly meetings could be held just prior to the Board's regular monthly meetings on the second Tuesday of every month at 3:45 p.m., and perhaps the second monthly meeting could be held on Fridays around the GC's regular monthly meetings. Much discussion then ensued regarding possible meeting days and times. It was suggested that since the Board is a little more flexible with scheduling and could probably work around the GC's availability, the GC will take this back to their members for further discussion.

It was also suggested that perhaps it would be best to determine first who was going to be on the committee and then determine meeting days/times. Board members Betty Manion, Dale Feldt, and Steve Klismet expressed their interest in serving on the committee, with Stephen Johnson attending as Board President, along with District Administrator Ron Saari and Director of Teaching and Learning Mark Flaten. Mr. Klismet requested that Dale Feldt be appointed the leader of the committee and there were no objections. However, it was pointed out that Mr. Feldt may have a possible conflict of interest. But Mr. Feldt advised that based on his discussions with Mr. Johnson and Mr. Saari, it was determined that there was none, although he may have to recuse himself from certain topics of discussion on occasion. The GC advised they will get back to the Board with their committee candidates.

The committee will present a report at the regular monthly Board meetings just like any other committee, and the committee meetings will be posted as usual so anyone can attend.

Board member Betty Manion advised she will provide a link to all the Board members of the NACSA Principles and Standards for their review as authorizer.

The Board and GC members ultimately determined that the next meeting with the committee members from both groups will be scheduled for 3:45 p.m. on Tuesday, February 14, 2023, in the WHS Community Room (just prior to the Board's regular monthly meeting). At that time, the GC will advise of its committee members and possible meeting days/times.

Board President Johnson then advised that the other items on tonight's agenda should be determined by the newly-formed committee members.

Adjournment:

A motion was made by Dale Feldt and seconded by Steve Klismet to adjourn the meeting at 6:14 p.m. The motion carried unanimously on a voice vote.

Stephen Johnson, President
Board of Education

Elizabeth Manion, Clerk
Board of Education