

## Minutes of the October 20, 2014 Board of Education Meeting

**Call to Order:** President Rice – 6:30 p.m. – MES Commons – 800 Beech St.

**Pledge of Allegiance**

**Roll Call Here:** Johnson, Hebert, Strebe, Rice, Sturm, Pohl. Hollman was absent and arrived at 7:08 pm

**Verify Publication of Meeting** – properly posted - verified by Dr. Oppor

Presentation: Laude System – Roll Out – Dan Wolfgram, Jennifer Krueger presented an informational PowerPoint on the Laude System. Information will be given to all students in “Wolftime” found on the website and at Parent Teacher Conferences for freshman parents. Mrs. Krueger demonstrated where it could be found on the website, how to calculate a Laude Score, points for each particular course, class rank versus the Laude System, impact on students, reasons to drop class rank, explained the tiers and benefits of the Laude System.

**Consent Agenda:**

Approve Consent Agenda by consent: Minutes from September 15, 29, and October 15, 2014 Board Meetings; the Treasurer’s Report: Approve Expenditures & Receipts; Donations: Manawa Marketplace - \$414 to Girls Basketball 3-on-3 Tournament, First State Bank \$80.00 – for Think Pink Week / Football Game Oct. 10<sup>th</sup>, Ellen Connor - \$100 for the FOR Club @ LWHS – for Student Leadership, Anonymous Donation: for Golden Apple Award - \$1,000, Anonymous Donation: for Golden Apple Award - \$500. Mr. Wolfgram received a report from Mrs. Cordes that contributions to the Think Pink Raffle were donated by First State Bank, Sue and Paul Resop, Manawa FFA, Premier Bank, Subway and Cruisin' In, The Store, Kegler's Bowling Alley and an anonymous donor.

**Public Comments:** none.

**Correspondence:** none.

**Board Recognition:**

Cathy Shockley and the Food Service Department for the School Lunch Program – National School Lunch Week Oct. 13-17. Our students receive a very good lunch. Proclamation by Tony Evers, State Superintendent. Dr. Oppor read the proclamation.

Certificate recognition for Jim Quinn: a person who has gone above and beyond, who has devoted his time to Administration and in the role of mentor to administration. Without his services this past summer, it would have been extremely difficult for this district to function. We owe him a debt of gratitude. Congratulations Mr. Quinn!

**Administrative Report:**

Curriculum Director O’Brien: Curriculum & Instruction Highlights – in board packet

ES Principal Sjoberg: Chrome Books – thanked Julie Vander Grinten, Rita Kreklow and Kris Thompson for their help setting them up, Wolf Walk: thanked Stephanie Riske and Brenda Strebe for their time setting up the event.

HS Principal Wolfgram: HS Board Briefs – in board packet.

District Administrator Oppor: 3<sup>rd</sup> Friday Enrollment Count, DPI District & School Report Cards – pointed out that the District Report Card on the webpage under District Accountability.

### **Board Comments:**

Pohl – WASB Fall Regional Meeting: Attended the meeting in Neenah. Included in the packet: successful local school boards, Education Questions for Legislative Candidates, and handed out a perception survey from the WASB for board members.

### **Committee Reports:**

#### **Buildings & Grounds Meeting**

Snow Removal Bids Reviewed / Recommendation for Board Approval. Review Jr./Sr. High School HVAC/Security Camera/Technology Project Status. Dir. Johnson; heat recovery starts in December; they plan to have it completed in Dec; training for maintenance; cameras: have one bid and one more is being sought. Computers and 320 Chromebooks – and everything worked very well during testing at the HS. MES has 5 in each classroom and we are waiting for the storage carts for the Chromebooks at the HS.

Long Range Maintenance Planning for Buildings & Grounds - Nov. 7-8 we will walk thru the buildings and consider updates in the buildings. Angela Hanson is getting a map of the roof so leaks can be plotted.

### **Unfinished Business:**

Appoint WASB Convention Delegate: Vice President Pohl volunteered.

Consider Approval of Band Instrument Rental Agreement & Usage Option (D. Wolfgram) - Mrs. Molly Suehs presented to the board. Dr. Oppor: of the 2 options which would you encourage the board to consider? Molly: a monetary fee with a waiver. 1 – Loan agreement and 2<sup>nd</sup> option is a rental agreement \$30 / year. Primary goal: some form of security to cover damages. Sturm: likes the security deposit. Other districts are charging a fee not a security deposit. Molly: there is some intimidating of the rental fee due to the costs and some students chose not to participate. Pohl: how difficult is it to recoup fees of lost or damaged books? Mr. Wolfgram – very difficult. Cannot hold a diploma due to fees. Sturm: trying to build a program. Mr. Suehs: I believe as long as the maintenance is being included by the district the loan option would work at no rental fee but responsible. Pohl: fundraiser?

**Move by** Pohl / Sturm to adopt a loan agreement for band students as presented. Motion Carried.

**Move by** Strebe / Hebert to approve moving the MES Parent/Teacher Conferences from April 1, to Feb. 10<sup>th</sup> and 12<sup>th</sup> from 3 pm to 6 pm. Motion carried.

### **New Business:**

Recommendation from Buildings & Grounds is to Accept Snow Removal Bid for 2014-2015.

**Move by** Sturm / Strebe to accept the bid from New London Asphalt for snow removal 2014-2015 as recommended. Motion carried - Rice and Johnson abstained from voting. Administration will draft a contract with NL Asphalt.

**Move by** Johnson / Hebert to Approve Youth Options Requests for 2<sup>nd</sup> Semester 2014-201 Motion carried.

**Move to approve by general consent:** the hire of 4K Teacher's Aide – Shannon Brux. Motion carried.

**Move to approve by general consent:** the hire of Special Education Administrative Assistant – Stephanie Flynn. Motion carried.

**Move by** Strebe / Hollman to Approve Long Range Planning Program as Presented in September 2014. Motion carried.

**Move by** Hebert /Hollman to Approve Changing Contract for Jim Quinn, from Asst. Transportation Director to Transportation Director and Increase Stipend from \$1,500 to \$2,000 for 2014-2015. Motion carried. Dr. Oppor reported that Mr. Quinn has a Long-standing history of scheduling routes, drivers, etc.

**Move by** Strebe / Sturm to approve Contracts for Coaches as presented for 2014-2015: Kevin Murphy 7<sup>th</sup> Gr. Boys Basketball Coach, Megan Driebel 8<sup>th</sup> Gr. Girls Basketball Coach, Shae Coyle Asst. Wrestling Coach, Exavier Dimick Asst. Wrestling Coach, Patrick Collins Asst. Track (if enough students participate). **Move by** Strebe / Sturm to approve. Motion carried.

**Next Meeting Dates-** (Following this meeting) Annual District Meeting October 20, 2014 – 8:00 p.m. MES Commons; November 17, 2014 – 6:30 p.m. – Regular Meeting – MES Board Room. Set Board Retreat Date – currently Dr. Oppor is in communication with Director at CESA6 to present a session to the Board regarding working with the community, media, etc.

**Move by** Hollman / Sturm to adjourn to the Annual Meeting at 7:40 p.m.

**Move by** Sturm / Hollman to reconvene in open session at 8:58 p.m. Motion carried.

**Move by** Sturm / Johnson to Approve as presented the Final Budget Adoption for 2014-2015 in the amount of \$9,962,793.00 including \$41,500 for Fund 80 Community Service. Motion carried.

**Move by** Sturm / Hollman to Certify the Tax Levy for 2014-2015 in the amount of \$3,067,000 as presented. Motion carried.

**Move by** Sturm / Hebert to Adjourn **and** Reconvene in Closed Session Pursuant to the Provisions of Sections 19.85(1)(c)(f) and 118.22, Wis. Stats., for the Purposes of: Discussing the Employment Status of Employees Over Which the Board Has Jurisdiction or Exercises Responsibility 1) Support Staff Compensation Review. Motion carried.

**Move by** Sturm / Hebert to reconvene in open session at 10:37 p.m. Motion carried.

**Move by** Johnson / Hollman to post the Board vacancy for the “Full District” for November appointment. Motion carried.

Paul Sturm submitted his official resignation from the Board of Education as he is moving out of the state.

**Move by** Hollman / Hebert to adjourn at 10:40 p.m. Motion carried.

Jeanne Frazier, Recording Secretary