

Minutes of the Manawa School District Board of Education Meeting January 17, 2011

Meeting was called to order by President Nolan at 6:30 pm in the MES. Present from the Board: Welch, Kreklow, Artz, Kons, Sturm, Nolan, Zielke.

Move by Sturm/Kons to approve the Consent to Agenda items: Minutes of the December 20, 2010 and January 6, 2011 Board Meetings and Payment of Bills, Cash Receipts and Financial Report. Motion carried.

Thank-you notes received from the families of Melvin Artz and Kris Lettau for memorials and the MAC Food Pantry for recent donations were shared with the Board.

Financials: Information presented from Business Manager Adesso regarding American Deposit Management Company, which would provide a higher % of return than currently receiving. Mr. Adesso is also recommending that district pay down principle on current State Trust Fund Loan by \$500,000 and then borrow needed funds for H VAC units in the interest of acquiring lower interest rates.

Move by Kons/Artz to approve Waupaca County Charter School Consortium Agreement for 2011-2012. Motion carried. It was noted that Manawa currently has two students participating in this program, using our slot as well as one floating slot.

Agenda for the WASB convention on Tuesday, January 18-Friday January 21, 2011 shared with the Board.

Report was presented by Business Manager Adesso regarding expenses at the closed Elementary School Building. At present, total utility costs for 2010-2011 are at 26% of budget, with \$27,089 unspent. Mr. Adesso is monitoring the monthly variances and will be presenting updates at each Board meeting moving forward.

HVAC system at High School is still being investigated and Administrator Braun urged the Board to consider replacing these units. An estimate from August Winter & Sons, Inc. was shared with the Board which covers two new rooftop units for the Gymnasium area of the building at a cost of \$69,800.

For Zone 4, Robert A. Karski, Jr. and Paul Francis Kons will be on the ballot. At present, no candidates have come forward for Zone 3.

Friday Night Lights highlights included: Principal White was invited to share information with Waupaca School District regarding RtI planning. Congratulations to Jasmyne Brennecke, recipient of the Class of 2011 Daughters of the American Revolution Good Citizen Award and to Truman Ingersoll, who is the Class of 2012's representative to Badger Boys State.

MES Principal's Report: Farewell to Mrs. Reynolds was held at the school on January 14, 2011.

Meeting with CESA6 included their plan for overseeing the remaining elements of the Special Education assessment. CESA is also interested in presenting the District with options for future assistance they can provide, relating to Mrs. Reynold's departure.

LWHS Principal's Report: Manawa hosted the CWC academic partnership for Technology Education on January 5th. DPI has put out an ISES Coursework Completion System that Mr. White is reviewing. He also presented ideas for a new Lunch 2 Learn program for the next school year.

Manawa School District Financial Snapshot, prepared by Baird, shows Manawa School District's Long Term Debt Credit Rating as: Moody's – Aa3. Manawa's tax rate has been higher than the state average the past two years and was flat to the state average in 2008/2009.

Administrator's Report included notes from a recent WASB seminar mailing.

Next Meeting Dates: 1/17/2011 Special Committee Meeting following regular Board Meeting.
February 21, 2011 at 6:30 pm Regular Board Meeting in the MES Library.

Move by Sturm/Kons to Adjourn and Reconvene in Closed Session at 7:28pm Pursuant to the Provisions of Sections 19.85(1)(c)(f)(g) and (i) and 118.125 Wis. Stats., for the Purpose of: 1) Discussing the Employment Status of Employees Over Which the Board Has Jurisdiction or Exercises Responsibility (Administrative & Teacher Contract Renewals for 2011-2012) and 2) Early Graduation Request. Motion Carried by Roll Call Vote.

Move by Sturm/Zielke at 10:30 pm to reconvene in Open Session. Motion carried by roll call vote.

Move by Kons/Artz to approve the Early Graduation Request. Motion carried 6-1.

No action taken Administrative Contract Renewals for 2011-2012.

Move by Sturm/Kons to adjourn at 10:31 pm. Motion carried.