

**MINUTES OF THE SCHOOL DISTRICT OF MANAWA  
ANNUAL SCHOOL DISTRICT MEETING  
OCTOBER 29, 2012**

Meeting was called to order at 8:05 pm in the MES Commons by School Board President Kurt Kreklow. Attending from the Board of Education: Kreklow, Sturm, Artz, Zielke, Flynn and Strebe. Attending from the Administration: Dombrowski, Morrin, Yeska and Adesso. Representing the public: Rita Kreklow, Glenn Poole, Kevin Keller, and Jo Ann Hollman. Representing the media: Bert Lehman from the County Post and Angela Emmert representing the Manawa Messenger.

President Kreklow appointed Corinne Zielke, Board Clerk, as Secretary of the Annual Meeting.

**Move by** Kevin Keller/Glenn Poole to appoint Kurt Kreklow as Temporary Meeting Chairperson. Motion carried.

**Move by** Glenn Poole/Rita Kreklow to suspend reading of 2011 Annual Meeting Minutes from 2011 annual board meeting as attendees were furnished a printed copy at the start of the meeting. Motion carried.

Treasurer Paul Sturm deferred to the administrative team for delivery of the financial report, which will be delivered in 4 parts. He reports the district's financial position is stable.

**Administrator's Report:** Mr. Ed Dombrowski shared an overview of the purpose of the District's Annual Meeting and the rules governing the holding of this meeting. Set board salaries, authorize payments, designate sites for building, set tax rates, authorize sale of school property, authorize school to provide legal defense fund, provide funding for vehicles, authorize providing meals for the students, provide free textbooks for students, and provision of accident insurance.

**Elementary Principal Report:** Ms. Megan Yeska shared recent accomplishments: Library changes, Wolf Walk 1,118.75 miles walked by students, raising over \$9,000; hosted author of Pete the Cat book; Rita Wespi from Math Matinee came to our school for a Math Day. In September MES held their first all school meeting and delivered their stump speeches. STAR Reading and Math tests have been completed and faculty has formed committees to begin the evaluation process of those scores. Have been utilizing the recently-purchased Build Your Own Curriculum program to standardize curriculum and ensure all courses are meeting or exceeding the state common core standards.

**High School Principal Report:** Mr. Karl Morrin announced that 10 new staff members joined LWHS this school year. At LWHS Mr. Morrin holds monthly department meetings to discuss student data from STAR testing. Pre-ACT testing has also begun. New this year is a block scheduling system with the first quarter coming to end on Monday. He reports positive feedback from the student body. Mr. Morrin also shared results from the Varsity Fall Sports Teams (volleyball and football). He shared his pleasure with the great student behavior and thanked the students for this.

**Budget Report:** Overview of new technology upgrades included: Wireless – there is public access. Teachers received laptops. iPads also brought into the classrooms for educational enrichment. Fiscal year began July 1<sup>st</sup> and will end June 30, 2013.

**Budget Summary:** The proposed general fund budget for 2012-2013 totals \$7,576,024. This is a decrease of \$387,184 or – 4.86% variance from last year’s final budget of \$7,963,208. The budget and salaries all fall within the revenue caps: 74% will be spent on Salaries & Benefits, 10% on Instructional Cost, 16% on Supportive Costs. 62% of funding is from the State of Wisconsin, 30% from The School District of Manawa Tax Payers, 2% from the Federal Government and 6% from Student Fees, Athletic Admissions, Interest Income and other misc. local receipts. The tax rate proposed for this year is \$10.01 per \$1,000 of equalized value, which is a decrease of \$0.74 per \$1,000 of equalized value. Other variances include: A decrease of \$194,515 for the Trust Fund Contribution and a decrease of \$192,669 (no bus purchases planned). The district’s building debt from includes payments of \$979,700 in 2012-2013 and a final payment of approximately \$943,500 in 2013-2014. The current referendum for operation/maintenance, textbooks and busses ended with the 2011-2012 school year. As of June 30, 2012, the district’s fund balance stands at \$2,012,494, which equates to ~25% of our operating budget.

The following resolutions were acted upon:

**Move by** Sturm/Adesso to approve the tax levy of \$2,326,055 for the purpose of defraying the operation and maintenance of the public schools for the year 2012-2013, \$939,700 for Referendum Debt Retirement and \$40,000 for community Service with a combined total of \$3,305,755. Motion carried.

**Move by** Sturm/Rita Kreklow to approve the board member salaries: President \$1500/year, Vice-President \$1500/year, Clerk \$1500/year, Treasurer \$0/year, Directors \$1,200/year and payment of \$50/day when traveling outside the district to attend meetings, workshops, etc., in the performance of his/her duties. Motion carried.

**Move by** Kevin Keller/Glenn Poole to furnish free textbooks for use in the school system and to establish a penalty for unusual and unreasonable wear according to rules that may be established by said Board. (Section 120.10 (15) of Wisconsin State Statutes). Motion carried.

**Move by** Glenn Poole/Brian Adesso to furnish hot lunches and milk to any and all students of said District at such places and times and at such cost as shall be set by said School Board, and the School Board is hereby authorized to pay any deficiency which may result from said lunch program (Section 120.10 (16) Wisconsin Statutes). Motion carried.

**Move by** Carl Artz/Kevin Keller that the electors of the School District of Manawa, Waupaca County, Wisconsin sell any property belonging to and not needed by said District for school purposes. Be it further resolved that the conduct of sale of such property be determined by said Board of Education. (Section 120.10 (12) Wisconsin) Motion carried.

**Move by** Glenn Poole/Stephanie Flynn that the Board of Education of the School District of Manawa, Waupaca County, Wisconsin, is directed to provide for the prosecution or defense of any action or proceeding in which the District is interested for the remainder of the 2012-2013 school year. Motion carried.

**Move by** Kevin Keller/Glenn Poole that the Board of Education of the School District of Manawa, Waupaca County, Wisconsin, may provide for accident insurance covering pupils in the District and that the cost and expenditures for said insurance is hereby authorized. (Section 20.13 (2a) Wisconsin Statutes). Motion carried.

**Move by** Glenn Poole/Rita Kreklow that the Board of Education of the School District of Manawa, Waupaca County, Wisconsin, move to set the date for the 2013 Annual Meeting to Monday, October 21, 2013 at 7:00 pm. Motion carried.

**Move by** Artz/Strebe to adjourn at 8:38 pm. Motion carried.

Corinne Zielke, Recording Secretary of the Meeting