

Minutes of the January 15, 2018 Board of Education Meeting

The meeting was Called to Order by President Johnson at 6:30 p.m. – MES Board Room – 800 Beech Street. The Board and Administrators continued their Book Study.

Pledge of Allegiance – 7:00 p.m.

Clerk Pethke took the Roll Call: Russ Johnson absent. Present: J. Johnson, Pohl, Pethke, Hollman, Forbes, Scheller.

Verify Publication of Meeting – Dr. Oppor verified

Presentations: Mr. Wolfgram introduced the two new teachers at the high school: Mr. Polkki, HS Social Studies Teacher and Mr. Duhn, HS Science Teacher.

STAR Data – Principals, Curriculum Director Mr. Wolfgram, Mrs. Pukita and Mrs. Brauer

Presented the STAR Data four testing windows throughout the year. This presentation covered the RtI Process, STAR Reading benchmarks in reading, mathematics and writing.

Senior Tax Exemption Program (STEP) Volunteer Information: Dr. Oppor shared information: as of Dec. 1st, 2118 hours 15 minutes of volunteer time in the public schools; 674 hours 30 minutes at St. Paul School; 8 volunteers continued working after they reached their maximum hours in the public schools and 10 volunteers at St. Paul School continued working after reaching the maximum hours; 1 volunteer worked without compensation. The total hours of 2792 and 45 minutes cost the community \$9343.72 as the district taxes for this program.

Announcements by President Johnson who thanked the following for the very generous Contributions to the District: John & Carey Anderson \$1,000 for Washington DC Trip, TOSA Foundation \$25,000 for Wis. Technology Initiative Grant (WTI), Sacred Heart Catholic Church \$200 for Urgent Needs Funds, Sacred Heart Catholic Church \$1,144.99 for Project Backpack Program, Appleton Parade Committee \$200 to HS Band, Staff Denim Dollar Days \$336 (HS Staff) and \$295 (MES Staff), Dr. Melanie Oppor \$25 Denim Dollar Days for Urgent Needs, Dr. Melanie Oppor \$50 Compensation from Service on Public Library Board to Title I Reading Program.

Approved by Consent: Minutes of the December 18 and 21, 2017 and January 4, 2018 Board Meetings, Treasurer's Report/Approve Expenditures (\$369,176.87)and Receipts \$(13,871.08) (**on website**), Donations - John & Carey Anderson \$1,000 for Washington DC Trip, TOSA Foundation \$25,000 for Wis. Technology Initiative Grant (WTI), Sacred Heart Catholic Church \$200 for Urgent Needs Funds, Sacred Heart Catholic Church \$1,144.99 for Project Backpack Program, Appleton Parade Committee \$200 to HS Band, Staff Denim Dollar Days \$336 (HS Staff) and \$295 (MES Staff), Dr. Melanie Oppor \$25 Denim Dollar Days for Urgent Needs, Dr. Melanie Oppor \$50 Compensation from Service on Public Library Board to Title I Reading Program, Consider Approval of the Spring Coaches as Recommended for 2017-18 School Year, Consider Approval of the Fall Coaches Recommendations for 2018-2019 as Presented, Consider Approval of the WEMTA Pet Grant as Presented, Consider Approval of the Teach Infrastructure Grant as Presented, Consider Approval of the Forward Together Grant Application as Presented, Consider Approval of the Wis. Art Education Assoc. Potawatomi Grant Award of \$1,000 HS Art, Consider Approval of the Frostbite Club Fundraiser by the District Wellness Committee as Presented.

Any Item Removed from Consent Agenda – None were removed

Public Comments – none this month

Correspondence: Thank You from the Family of Bill Spence for funeral plant and from Thank You from the Family of Kurt Pamperin Sr. for funeral plant.

Board Recognition: The Board Recognized the following: the One Act Play Team - Ms. Molly Schlaak, Vocal Music Teacher; Students – Garrett Yohr, Brittany Besaw, Ayla Stiebs, Clara Hetzel, Stephanie Besaw, Ani Torres, Tyler Thontlin, Skyler Kasper, Sylvia Much; Wis. State Reading Association Award Recipient – Ms. Meria Wright, 6th Gr. Teacher and Outstanding Performance in CTE Electronics & Robotics – Connor Weir.

District Administrator's Report:

Legislative Update: shared a letter she drafted regarding the “dark store tax loophole.” President Johnson shared a message from Mayor Smith regarding this also; Dr. Oppor attended Legislative Breakfast, presented Monthly Enrollment Report, Site Analysis & Feasibility Study Update, Joint Review Board Meeting on proposed Tax

Incremental District #3 – Dollar General, WASB Convention Overview, School Board Election Update, Sample Ballot - Zone 1 candidate Stan Forbes, City of Manawa; Zone 2 candidate Bruce Scheller, Town of Little Wolf. CWC Conference Update: Held a joint district administrator meeting with Athletic Directors to hear from St. Mary's Catholic in Neenah interest to join the conference. The District Administrator's will meet in mid-February to make a decision.

School Operations Reports: ES Principal and HS Principal: Highlights - Included in Board Packet

Business Related Reports: included in the packet were the IRS Mileage Reimbursement Rate 2018 and Kobussen Transportation Report.

Director's Reports: Included in the packet were the Curriculum / Special Education Director. Paving the Way brochure was handed out to the board. Technology Director Highlights: copy costs have gone up; consider going paperless. Could provide a device for each board member to save the printing costs of all the packets.

Board Comments: None this month

Committee Reports: Curriculum Committee (Scheller): Human Growth & Development Opt-Out Letter Revisions, Fall Universal Screening Data Preview, Professional Development Plan Update

Unfinished Business: None this Month

New Business:

Motion by Pohl / Hollman to approve the of Adoption of the Human Growth & Development Opt-Out Letter as Presented. Motion carried – R. Johnson absent.

Motion by Scheller / Forbes to Approve the Early Graduation Request for January 2019 as Presented. Motion carried – R. Johnson absent.

Motion by Forbes / Pethke to approve the Open Enrollment Available Space recommendations for the 2018-2019 school year as Presented. Motion carried – R. Johnson absent.

Motion by Forbes / Pohl to approve the updated Fundraising Spreadsheet for 2017-18 as Presented. Motion carried – R. Johnson absent.

Next Meeting Dates: Jan. 16-19, 2018 – WASB Annual Convention, Milwaukee, Jan. 22, 2018 – Finance Committee Meeting – 6:00 p.m. – MES Board Room, Jan. 23, 2018 – Policy & HR Committee Meeting at 5:00 p.m. – MES Board Room, Jan. 25, 2018 – Buildings & Grounds Meeting at 5:30 p.m.- MES Board Room, Schedule Special Meeting for Audit Review, Feb. 13, 2108 – Curriculum Committee Meeting – 4:30 p.m. – MES Board Room, Feb. 19, 2018 – Regular BOE Mtg 6:30 p.m. Book Study 7:00 p.m. Open Session - ES Board Room, Mar. 13, 2018 – Curriculum Committee Meeting – 4:30 p.m. – MES Board Room.

Motion by Hollman/Pethke to adjourn at 8:14 p.m. to Closed Session under Provisions of 19.85(1)(a)(c)(f), 118.22 and 118.125 as well as 120.13(1)(c) Wis. Statutes, for the Purposes of: Discussing the Employment Status of Employees Over Which the Board Has Jurisdiction or Exercises Responsibility 1) Administrator Evaluation and 2) Approve Agreement of Stipulated Expulsion and 3) Expulsion Meeting Minutes. Motion carried – R. Johnson absent.

Motion by Hollman / Scheller to adjourn at 9:08 p.m. and reconvene in open session. Motion carried – R. Johnson absent.

Motion by Forbes / Pethke to adjourn at 9:09 p.m. Motion carried – R. Johnson absent.

Jeanne Frazier, Recorder