

Minutes of the February 24, 2020 Board of Education Meeting

The Board of Education met at 6:00 p.m. in the Little Wolf Jr./Sr. High School lobby to tour the construction zone.

Call to Order by President Johnson at 7:01 p.m. in the MES Boardroom, 800 Beech Street
Pledge of Allegiance

Roll Call: Scheller, Forbes, Pohl, Pethke, R. Johnson, J. Johnson. Absent: Hollman

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Presentations:

Hoffman Planning & Design, Inc. - Project Update and conducted tour of construction zone. Spring break-flooring at MES, high school science room flooring. Construction is on schedule. The fitness center is 4 weeks behind - anticipate it will be done in June; ceiling and lighting are ahead of time. The office area is ahead of schedule. Budget-alternative bids are being worked on. FF& E identified and finalized. Using 18% of the contingency. Planning for moving in in August; ready for school and occupancy in August; 2nd round of add alternates; Student start date to 9/8/2020.

Student Safety Survey - Principal Wolfgram; in response to the Board request after the SRO open forum: Demographics of student survey 1. Bullying information-verbal, physical, physical fight. 2. Feels safe and secure at school 75%, SRO-Safety & Security-55%, 36% sometimes and 9% never safe.

Report on Key Performance Indicator: Predictive Test (Follow Cohorts) Attendance Mid-Year; Report - Principal Wolfgram, Principal Pukita, and Mrs. Sernau- District Reading Specialist. Wolfgram distributed memo. 1. STAR test-reading, math, early literacy, feel it isn't an accurate picture of what we know. Students are not taking it seriously and do not find it relevant. 2. ACT goal team group-pre-ACT 8/9 grades and sophomores. 2nd focus for staff is building positive relationships with student. 3. Five members of the building staff have undergoing training in SEL (Social Emotional Learning) Focus on student learning rather than the STAR test. Pukita handout-Utilizing data walls and Improving Tier I instruction. STAR reading, math and Lucy Calkins writing. Sent a survey to staff on feedback. Positive reinforcement team. Forward Goal team for ways to help students do well on the Forward exam. Goal is strengthening Tier 1. Sernau-report was in the board packet. The biggest challenge: proper assessment data.

Q12 Survey Strategies – Administrators: Pukita-starting with question 4 on recognition within the last 7 days. How do you like to be recognized; March 16th next survey-have they received recognized in the last 7 days from Admin/staff. Plan Do Action. Wolfgram - appreciation is not top down staff; its anyone in the district; Hump Day Bump Day-shout out and building a culture of appreciation.

Announcements: President Johnson thanked the following for their generosity: AMCOR/Bemis on Behalf of Wayne Krueger \$570 for the Bowling Club

Approved by Consent: Corrected December 26, 2019, January 6 and January 20, 2020 Board Meetings, Treasurer's Report/Approve Expenditures (\$1,056,914.32) and

Receipts (\$1,451,150.89); Donation from AMCOR/Bemis on Behalf of Wayne Krueger \$570 for the Bowling Club, approval of Voluntary Transfer of Secondary Teacher to Social Studies for SY2021, approval of Applications for LWHS & MMS Participation in DOJ School Safety Research Grant with UW-Madison, approval of Staff Retirements, accept Resignation from Sandra Dunning, Health Aide, approval of Overnight Trip for Student Council April 5th WASC Convention to Madison, approval of the End of the Year 7-8th Grade Mt. Olympus Water Field Trip May 28th, approval of the Revised 2020-2021 School Calendar.
Any Item Removed from Consent Agenda - None

Public Comments: There were none

Correspondence: Thank You from Iola-Scandinavia School District

Board Recognition: Kyle Kons (11th Gr.) and Jackson Jaeger (12th Gr.) for Community Service Above and Beyond for Snodeo 2020; President Johnson read a letter from Debbie Sarna in appreciation for all these individuals did. National FFA Week Feb. 22-29, 2020. National School Breakfast Week March 2-6, 2020.

District Administrator's Report:

Student Council Representative - Junior, Ethan Tellock - Focus on referendum, graduation, parking lot. Student council-state conference in April. Fundraising. Legislative Update: Sen. Olson will not be running for election this year. Joint Finance signed off on state aid package and surplus funding to schools. May not be general aid; smaller rural districts. State discussion of retirement age of 59 ½ and push to 65; decreasing the minimum time to return to working in a district. Holocaust education added to Social Studies, School accounting adopted. Expanding the part-time open enrollment; Participation in inter-scholastics and extra curriculars. Monthly Enrollment Update & Membership Reports - watching closing as it affects funding within the district.

School Operations Reports: ES Principal Highlights Included in Board Packet: 3 students in the gifted and talented officially by the end of the week. HS Principal: Highlights - Included in Board Packet

Business Related Reports: Highlights - Included in Board Packet, Sparsity aid-reduced and will be taken out of 1,700 in March. Finance meeting March 12th. December 2019 Financial Report and Kobussen Transportation Report in board packet.

Director's Reports: Highlights from Curriculum / Special Education Director and Technology Director Highlights - Included in Board Packet

Board Comments: WASB Convention: Director Scheller reported; 21 resolutions; mascots were a contentious discussion. Attended Breakout sessions

Committee Reports: Curriculum Committee and Policy & Human Resources Committee minutes were included in the packet.

Unfinished Business: No Unfinished Business This Month

New Business:

Motion by Pohl / R. Johnson to approve the Professional Salary Advancement Recommendations for SY1920 as presented. Motion carried – Hollman absent.

Motion by Scheller / Forbes to approve the Adoption of the Archery Scholastic 3D Club Pending Insurance Liability Question and Addressing Monthly Meeting Parent Requirement as Presented. Motion carried – Hollman absent.

Motion by R. Johnson / Pohl to approve Phase 2 - February 2020 Alternative Add Options recommendations as Presented. Motion carried – Hollman absent.

Motion by Pohl / Pethke to approve the Request for Evaluation and Offer by Alliant for the School District of Manawa's Participation in the Customer Hosted Renewables Pilot (Rent-a-Roof) as Presented. Motion carried – Hollman absent.

Next Meeting Dates:

Mar. 9, 2020 – Policy & HR Committee Mtg – 4:30 p.m. – MES Board Room

Mar. 9, 2020 – Special Mtg – Board Retreat – 5:30 p.m. – MES Board Room

Mar. 11, 2020 – Curriculum Comm Mtg – 4:30 p.m. – MES Board Room

Mar. 11, 2020 – Buildings & Grounds Committee Meeting - 5:30 p.m. MES Board Room

Mar. 12, 2020 - Finance Committee Meeting - 6:00 p.m. - MES Board Room

Mar. 16, 2020 – Regular BOE Mtg – 7:00 p.m. – MES Board Room

April 8, 2020 – Buildings & Grounds Committee Mtg - 5:30 p.m.- MES Board Room

Motion by Scheller / Forbes to move into Closed Session at 8:31 p.m. Pursuant to the Provisions of 19.85(1)(c) and (f) and 119.85(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) Support Staff Evaluation. Motion carried by roll call – Hollman absent.

Motion by Scheller / Pohl to adjourn and reconvene into open session at 9:20 p.m. Motion carried by roll call – Hollman absent.

Motion by R. Johnson/ Scheller to adjourn at 9:21 p.m. Motion carried – Hollman absent.

Bobbi Jo Pethke, Clerk