Minutes of Manawa Board of Education Meeting November 21, 2011

Meeting was called to order at 6:30 pm in the Manawa Elementary School Commons by President Kreklow. Present from the Board: Kreklow, Artz, Zielke, Flynn, and Karski. Absent: Strebe and Sturm.

Move by Flynn/Karski to approve the Consent Agenda items, which include: Approval of 10/22/11 Retreat Minutes, approval of 10/24/11 Board Meeting Minutes, 10/24/11 Annual Meeting Minutes, 11/2/11 Buildings and Grounds Committee Minutes, payments of $532,699.60, and resignation from Varsity Baseball Coach Carey Celske. Motion carried - Strebe and Sturm absent.

Carl Artz presented a review of the November 2, 2011 Building and Grounds Committee meeting in which Scott Groholski from Point of Beginning presented a proposal for a new football field behind the high school, to include field, bleacher seating, fencing, lighting at a cost of $303,435. Mr. Dombrowksi has been in discussion with Realtor Weylin Walker regarding a possible sale of the current Butternut Road property to help offset the cost of this project.

Election Notice has been posted for Board Seats for Manawa Zone 1 – Stephanie Flynn and Little Wolf Zone 2 – Kurt Kreklow during the Spring Election on April 3, 2012 for a term of 3 years. Declaration of Candidacy and Campaign Registration Statement must be filed no later than 5:00 pm on Tuesday, January 3, 2012 in the office of the School District Clerk at 800 Beech Street, Manawa.

Move by Karski/Artz to approve the Board Goal: The School District of Manawa is committed to providing opportunities for individual excellence for all students utilizing progressive educational resources to develop lifelong learners and responsible citizens. Motion carried - Strebe and Sturm absent.

Staff Reports:

Ms. Yeska, ES Principal: Parent teacher conferences have concluded as the first quarter has closed. Promethean Board training has been ongoing. Teachers are currently reviewing STAR test results and discussing methods for tracking and analyzing the data to monitor the effectiveness of our RtI initiatives. Faculty recently discussed Common Core Standards during Inservice Meetings. Last Friday the MES observed a "Freezing Friday" due to weather changes with faculty / staff participating.

Mr. Braun, HS Principal introduced Taylor Remington, Te'Lesha Tessen, Allyson Greetan from the H.S Student Council who gave a presentation to the Board:

- September: Homecoming well received by student body. A lot of fundraising by the students led to a fun week, with games and food, decorating and concession-selling.
- October: Halloween Dance with a DJ was successful. Haunted Trail was a success, despite the rainy weather. Think Pink earned over $2,000 with the help of many individuals.
- November: Food drive from the 6th-18th brought in 1,900 items for the food pantry, with a friendly competition between the grades. Annual conference this week taught about leadership, fundraising, meeting with students from other districts.
- Future plans: Holipalooza Christmas celebration with planned games and fun times. It's being brought back from past years. Penny War between the grades – including the Junior High. Spring Fling this spring, similar to homecoming without the football games and games. Winter Ball to combine Christmas and Valentine's Day – formal event. Staff Secret Santa between staff

and student council. Teachers Appreciation Week will be a feast for the teachers during their lunch breaks. State Conference in Green Bay will be coming up as well.

Mr. Braun also reported the lines are being painted on the HS Gymnasium floor, hoping to be completed in time for the girls' basketball game on December 1st. Currently looking at the class ranking system and any needed changes; Scheduling issues are being discussed to eliminate conflicting schedules. There were lower than desired participation at HS Parent Teacher conferences.

Director of Finance Adesso provided copies of the District Audit. Two issues that were listed: Segregation of Duties and Financial Statement Preparation.

District Administrator Ed Dombrowski encouraged the Board Members to attend the WASB Convention January 18-20, 2012 in Milwaukee. The early registration for reduced fees is December 15th. A second listening session for the public will take place on December 14th at 6:30 pm in the MES Library. A second staff listening session was held on November 10th that provided useful feedback for the administration and Board to review.

Next meeting Dates:

November 30, 2011, Negotiations Committee Meeting – 5:00 pm – ES Conference Room
November 30, 2011, Transition Team Meeting – 6:00 pm – Board Room
November 30, 2011, Athletic Complex Community Forum – 7 pm – 9 pm – ES Commons
December 14, 2011, Buildings & Grounds Committee Meeting – 6:30 pm – Board Room
December 19, 2011, Regular Monthly Meeting – 6:30 pm – Board Room

Move by Zielke/Flynn at 7:14 pm, to adjourn and reconvene in Closed Session Pursuant to the Provisions of Sections of 19.85(1)(c) and (f) Wis. Stats., for the purposes of: Discussing the Employment Status of Employees Over Which the Board has Jurisdiction or Exercises the Responsibility (Administrator Evaluations). Motion carried - Strebe and Sturm absent. Absent: Strebe and Sturm.

Move by Karski/Artz to reconvene in open session at 9:30 pm. Motion carried by Roll Call Vote. Absent: Strebe and Sturm.

Move by Flynn/Karski to adjourn at 9:31pm. Motion carried - Strebe and Sturm absent.

Corinne Zielke, Board Clerk