

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR SCHOOL BOARD MEETING  
Mauston Board of Education**

**DATE:** Monday, February 20, 2017

**TIME:** 7:00 P.M.

**PLACE:** District Administrative Office  
510 Grayside Avenue, Mauston WI 53948

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Buss, Rogers, Kryka, Vinopal, Berkos, Locken

**MEMBERS ABSENT:** Holmes

1. Board Chairperson Carrie Buss called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. Roll call of members was taken; all members were present.
2. Mrs. Buss led those present in the Pledge of Allegiance to the American Flag.
3. Public Comments: None.

**Public Hearing Regarding a Petition to Alter School District Boundaries**

4. Mrs. Buss called the hearing to order at 7:03 p.m. The petitioners, David and Jodi Elsing were present. David Elsing spoke to the Board regarding their request to remove a parcel of property from the School District of Mauston and place it in the Reedsburg Area School District. Following Mr. Elsing's testimony, Superintendent Christine Weymouth reviewed the criteria that Board members are required to use when making decisions regarding petitions to alter existing school district boundaries.
5. Motion by Kryka/Berkos to deny the transfer of the property described in the Petition to Alter the Mauston School District boundaries, as presented by David and Jodi Elsing, and to approve an order to deny the removal of said property from the Mauston School District and attach it to the Reedsburg Area School District, per Wisconsin Statute, 117.12. (Ref. Exhibit #1/District File). A roll call vote was taken, and the motion carried 6/0. The hearing concluded at 7:15 p.m.

**Reports:**

1. **Mauston High School (MHS) Future Business Leaders of America (FBLA):** Tarren Hall, Mitchell Gray, Megan Casey, Kylie Rollins and Kelsie Georgeson reported on recent FBLA competition. Several Mauston High School students will move on to state competition on April 3-4, 2017.
2. **Mauston High School Key Club:** Kaitlyn Asdigian reported that four members will be attending "D-Con," which is a leadership Key Club convention to be held in Green Bay. The club members distributed books (purchased by the Mauston Kiwanis Club) at Parent-Teacher Conferences.
3. **Mauston High School FFA:** FFA officers Lauren Luke and Gracelyn Footit reported on FFA activities, including the upcoming events for National FFA Week. The annual pancake supper

will be held on Tuesday, February 21, 2017. The FFA Parliamentary Procedure group will be competing at the State competition, as will speakers Tom Gruman, Lauren Luke and Crystal Cafferty.

4. **Board Committee Chairpersons** reported on recent meetings.
5. **WASB State Education Convention Reports:** Board members who had attended the recent annual State Education Convention in Milwaukee (Carrie Buss, RJ Rogers and Betty Kryka) shared information from speakers and breakout sessions.
6. **Superintendent's Report:** Dr. Christine Weymouth reported on recent wellness activities in which staff members have been participating on Professional Development Days. Superintendent Weymouth introduced OMS Principal Brian Bauer and Director of Teaching and Learning Lynda Oleinik, who updated the Board on work they are doing to prepare for a possible schedule change at the Olson Middle School. As presented, the new schedule will allow more time for mathematics and literacy classes at all grade levels. Staff at OMS will have professional development opportunities prior to the change. Dr. Weymouth also mentioned the legislation that is pending in Wisconsin to give individual school districts the authority to set their own start of school dates. She asked the Board members to give her feedback concerning their opinions on the matter.
7. **Pupil Nondiscrimination Report for 2017 – Jim Dillin**  
Mauston High School Principal Jim Dillin reviewed the 2017 Pupil Non-Discrimination Report as mandated by the WI Department of Public Instruction and WI Statute PI-9.06. He thanked the staff members who assisted in gathering data and preparing the report which primarily addresses district protocol in administering counseling services and scholarships. Dr. Weymouth thanked Mr. Dillin for his work on this extensive project.
8. **Summer School Course Offerings for 2017 – Lynda Oleinik and Diane Winker**  
Director of Teaching and Learning Lynda Oleinik and Summer School Coordinator Diane Winker shared information with the Board on the 2017 course offerings for "Eagle Exploration!" – the Mauston Summer School program. They highlighted several new offerings and noted that there will be two sessions this summer (June 12 – 30; and July 10 – 28). All classes will be held at Mauston High School, and breakfast and lunch will be available there as well.

#### **Consent Agenda:**

9. Motion by Berkos/Kryka to approve the consent agenda. Motion carried 6/0 whereby the following items were approved:
  - a. Minutes of the January 23, 2017 Special School Board Meeting (postponed from the January 16, 2017 date of the Regular School Board Meeting, due to inclement weather).
  - b. Minutes of the January 30, 2017 Special School Board Meeting
  - c. Approval of a Parent Transportation Contract
  - d. Approval of the payment of monthly vouchers totaling \$1,638,211.35.

#### **Pending Action:**

10. Motion by Rogers/Kryka to accept the retirement resignation of Darrell Hines, Mauston High School Agriculture teacher and FFA Director, after 33 years of service to the School District of

Mauston. The Board members expressed unanimous appreciation for Mr. Hines' service to the students and to the community. Following discussion, the motion carried 6/0.

11. Motion by Rogers/Kryka to approve the contract for Ryan Frye, to teach Social Studies at Mauston High School for the remainder of the 2016-2017 school year. Following discussion, the motion carried 6/0.
12. Motion by Vinopal/Berkos to accept the donation of \$2,850.00 from the Golden Eagle Athletic Booster Club toward the purchase of soccer jerseys and softball jerseys for Mauston High School. Following discussion, the motion carried 6/0.
13. Dr. Weymouth also noted the District's receipt of two grants received: \$1,000 from the Wisconsin State Golf Association to Kurt Andreasen; and \$1,527.00 from the Wisconsin Association of Certified Public Accountants to Sandra Davies. Dr. Weymouth congratulated these two staff members on applying for and receiving the grants.
14. The Board conducted the second reading of proposed Board Policy 346 – Student Assessment. Motion by Rogers/Kryka to waive the third reading and adopt the policy as presented. Following discussion, the motion carried 6/0.
15. Summer School Coordinator Diane Winker and Director of Teaching and Learning Lynda Oleinik shared highlights from the proposed 2017 Summer School program, which this year is being called "Eagle Exploration!" Several new learning opportunities are being offered to students this year including increased opportunities at the middle school level. Summer School classes will be held at Mauston High School again this year. Motion by Rogers/Vinopal to approve the proposed summer school program, as presented. Following discussion, the motion carried 6/0.
16. The Board reviewed the proposed CESA #5 contract for the 2017-2018 school year. The contract will come back to the Board for final approval at the March Board meeting.
17. Motion by Vinopal/Berkos to approve the 2017 Pupil Discrimination Self-Evaluation Report, as presented by MHS Principal Jim Dillin. Following discussion, the motion carried 6/0.
18. Motion by Berkos/Vinopal to approve the WIAA Application for Cooperative Team Renewal for the Boys Ice Hockey team for the 2017-2018 school year. Following discussion, the motion carried 6/0.
19. Motion by Fox/Vinopal to adjourn to Executive/Closed Session in compliance with WI Statute 19.85 (1) (c) and (f), for the annual evaluation of the Superintendent of Schools and for an update on personnel matters. A roll call vote was taken and the motion carried 6/0. The meeting adjourned to closed session at 8:35 p.m.

Recorded by:  
Melodye Jones, Recording Secretary