

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

**DATE:** Monday, June 19, 2017

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

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

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Buss, Rogers, Kryka, Berkos, Locken, Erickson.

**MEMBERS ABSENT:** Holmes

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

**Reports:**

4. **Board Committee Reports:** Board committee chairs reported on recent meetings of the Policy and Personnel and Finance Committees.

**Staff Presentations:**

5. Mauston High School "Freshman Day:" Principal Jim Dillin described the MHS proposal for a "Freshmen Day" on the first day of the new school year, September 5, 2017 (Ref. Exhibit #1/District File). He noted that several school districts offer this modified schedule as an orientation day for ninth graders. The schedule would include the annual Rookie Rally, a shortened schedule, introduction of MHS staff and an academic career planning session. The day will conclude with an open house for all Mauston High School students and parents.
6. **Universal Free Breakfast in the Classroom (Grayside):** Mauston Food Service Director Katina Ziebell, Grayside Elementary Principal Bobbi Steele, School District Business Manager Julie Lankey-Smallwood, and April Martell from the "Foodwise" program at the UW Extension Office presented a proposal for piloting a Universal Free Breakfast in the classroom for all Grayside Elementary Students in the 2017-2018 school year (Ref. Exhibit #2/District File).
7. **Superintendent's Report:** Dr. Christine M. Weymouth updated the Board on the upcoming Board workshop and meeting dates for the month of July including a "Teacher Compensation" workshop on July 12 at 6:00 p.m.; the Regular School Board Meeting on July 17 at 7:00 p.m. and a "Board Development" workshop at 6:00 p.m. on July 24. Dr. Weymouth also reported on the progress of the ongoing renovations at the football/soccer field, and the newly installed District-wide communications system which features extension-specific 911 emergency calling.

**Consent Agenda:**

8. Motion by Kryka/Erickson to approve the Consent Agenda. Motion carried 6/0, whereby the following items were approved:
  - a. Minutes of the May 15, 2017 Regular School Board Meeting
  - b. Minutes of the June 2, 2017 Special School Board Meeting
  - c. Youth Options applications (30) for the 2017 Fall Semester
  - d. Payment of District Vouchers totaling \$1,771,689.61.

**Pending Action:**

9. Motion by Rogers/Kryka to approve the resignation of Cassandra Drohman, Early Childhood Special Education teacher at West Side Elementary School. Motion carried 6/0.
10. Motion by Rogers/Kryka to approve the resignation of Katie Gilsdorf, Olson Middle School Special Education teacher. Motion carried 6/0.
11. Motion by Rogers/Kryka to approve the resignation of Robin Wagner, grade three teacher at Grayside Elementary School. Motion carried 6/0.
12. Motion by Rogers/Kryka to approve the resignation of Kelly Yach, Olson Middle School Spanish teacher. Ms. Yach was hired to teach for the 2017-2018 school year, but resigned prior to beginning her employment with the District.
13. Motion by Rogers/Kryka to approve the resignation of May McKinney, Vocal Music teacher at Olson Middle School. Motion carried 6/0.
14. Motion by Rogers/Kryka to approve the Employment Recommendation to hire Caitlyn Gussell to teach Kindergarten at West Side Elementary School for the 2017-2018 school year. Following discussion, the motion carried 6/0.
15. Motion by Rogers/Kryka to approve the Employment Recommendation to hire Aaron Nofsinger to teach Technology Education and Agriculture at Mauston High School for the 2017-2018 school year. Following discussion, the motion carried 6/0.
16. Motion by Rogers/Kryka to approve the Employment Recommendation to hire Danielle Roos to teach Special Education at Olson Middle School for the 2017-2018 school year. Following discussion, the motion carried 6/0.
17. Motion by Rogers/Kryka to approve the Employment Recommendation to hire Joshua Potter to teach English/Language Arts at Olson Middle School for the 2017-2018 school year. Following discussion, the motion carried 6/0.
18. Motion by Rogers/Kryka to approve the Employment Recommendation to hire Sara Jeisy to teach Special Education at Olson Middle School for the 2017-2018 school year. Following discussion, the motion carried 6/0.
19. Motion by Rogers/Kryka to approve the Employment Recommendation to hire Whitley Harrison to teach grade three at Grayside Elementary School for the 2017-2018 school year. Following discussion, the motion carried 6/0.

20. Motion to approve the Employment Recommendation to renew the employment contract for Ryan Frye to teach Social Studies at Mauston High School for the 2017-2018 school year. Following discussion, the motion carried 6/0.
21. Motion by Erickson/Berkos to accept with appreciation the donation of \$5,410.00 from Tom Holtz to the Mauston Football Club. Following discussion, the motion carried 6/0.
22. Motion by Erickson/Berkos to accept with appreciation the donation of \$537.50 from *donorschoose.org* to Mauston High School teachers Karla Saylor and Karen Hable for the purchase of books and a backless ball chair. Following discussion, the motion carried 6/0.
23. Motion by Erickson/Berkos to accept with appreciation the donation of \$1,500.00 from WalMart to the Mauston High School to be used toward the purchase of clear backpacks. Following discussion, the motion carried 6/0.
24. Motion by Kryka/Berkos to approve the increase of adult lunch prices by \$0.10 per meal, effective at the beginning of the 2017-2018 school year. Business Manager Julie Lankey-Smallwood explained that this increase is required due to the mandatory calculations completed in accordance with the National School Lunch Program. Following discussion, the motion carried 6/0.
25. Motion by Rogers/Erickson to approve the implementation of the Universal Free Breakfast in the Classroom program at Grayside Elementary School for the 2017-2018 school year. Following discussion, the motion carried 6/0.
26. Discussion and Possible Action Regarding the 2017-2018 Contract for Transportation Services with JEVCO Transit was tabled until the July 17, 2017 Regular School Board Meeting.
27. Motion by Erickson/Berkos to approve the purchase of a John Deere 1575 Mower with deck and rotary broom for use by District maintenance and groundskeeping staff on the new football/soccer field and at the Grayside Avenue campus, with a purchase price of \$40,000.00 . Julie Lankey-Smallwood noted that three bids had been received for the purchase. Following a review of bids submitted, (Ref. *BoardBook*, pages 85-97) Rick Noe, Director of Buildings and Grounds recommends the purchase of the John Deere 1575 TerrainCut commercial front mower, including the 72-inch discharge mower deck and the heavy duty rotary broom. Part of the purchase price (\$25,000) will come from fuel cost and maintenance budget savings from the 2016-2017 school year. Following discussion, the motion carried 6/0.
28. Motion by Erickson/Berkos to approve securing a short-term loan from the Bank of Mauston in the amount of \$15,000 at an interest rate of 1.9%, to be repaid over a three year period from maintenance budget funds, for the purpose of purchasing a new John Deere 1575 mower. Following discussion, a roll call vote was taken, and the motion carried 6/0.
29. Motion by Kryka/Erickson to adjourn to Executive/Closed Session in accordance with Wis. Statute 19.85 (1)(c) to review and Order of Student Expulsion. A roll call vote was taken, and the motion carried 6/0. The meeting adjourned to Executive/Closed Session at 8:05 p.m.

Recorded by:  
Melodye Jones, Recording Secretary