

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

DATE: Monday, September 18, 2017

TIME: 7:00 P.M.

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

MEMBERS PRESENT: Buss, Rogers, Kryka, Holmes, Berkos, Locken, Erickson

MEMBERS ABSENT: None

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.

Reports:

1. **Mauston High School FFA:** Crystal Cafferty, Abby Voss and Gracelyn Footit reported on the start-of-the-year activities for FFA. The food stand at the Juneau County Fair raised more than \$8000 this year. The students took a trip to Wyoming during the summer, and attended the State Convention where Daniel Walsh won first place for his presentation on Beef Entrepreneurship at the Wisconsin State FFA Convention.
2. **Mauston High School (MHS) Future Business Leaders of America (FBLA):** Kelsey Georgeson and Elizabeth Kolb reported on the summer planning meetings that were held in preparation for the new year.
3. **MHS Key Club:** President Elizabeth Kolb reported on that Key Club has three new advisors this year including Jim Dillin, Karla Saylor and Molly Carlson. The older members are visiting the 9th grade academies to encourage new members to join.
4. **Board Committee Reports:** Board committee chairs reported on recent meetings of the Policy and Personnel and Finance Committees.
5. **Update on New Olson Middle School Schedule:** Olson Middle School Principal Brian Bauer gave an update on the new hourly schedule at OMS. The change is showing positive results in that fewer students are in the hallways during passing times. The schedule also allows for more exploratory classes and increased collaboration time between subject level areas. Band and Choir classes may be structured differently during the day; however, total instructional time is equal to or more than previous years' instructional time.
6. **Leadership Team Updates:** Members of the Leadership Team presented school events and department updates. Michele Yates-Wickus, Director of Student Services introduced Mrs. Kris Ricord, the Special Education Family and Parent Liaison.

7. **Superintendent's Report:** Dr. Christine M. Weymouth thanked all who attended the Grand Opening of the Community Track, Field and Grandstand on September 15. She confirmed plans for a Special Board Workshop to review the "2020 Vision" District Strategic Plan; and that date was set for Monday, October 23rd at 6:00 p.m. The agenda will also include final approval of the School District Budget for 2017-2018.

Consent Agenda:

4. Motion by Berkos/Kryka to approve the Consent Agenda. Motion carried 7/0, whereby the following items were approved:
 - a. Minutes of the August 21, 2017 Regular School Board Meeting;
 - b. Two (2) Parent Transportation Contracts; and
 - c. Payment of District Vouchers totaling \$627,630.05.

Pending Action:

5. There were no resignations requiring Board action.
6. Motion by Holmes/Kryka to approve the Employment Recommendation to hire Kelly Kustief at a Special Education teacher at Olson Middle School for the 2017-2018 school year. Following discussion, the motion carried 7/0.
7. Motion by Holmes/Rogers to approve the Employment Recommendation to hire Katreena Swenke-Howell to teach science at Olson Middle School for the 2017-2018 school year. Following discussion, the motion carried 7/0.
8. Motion by Holmes/Kryka to approve the Employment Recommendation to hire Ann Pesta as a part-time School District Psychologist for the 2017-2018 school year. Following discussion, the motion carried 7/0.
9. Motion by Erickson/Berkos to accept the donation from Gray Electric of labor and materials toward the completion of the new press box and for repairs at the FFA Food Stand, valued at \$3,646.05. The Board expressed sincere appreciation for the donation. Following discussion, the motion carried 7/0.
10. Motion by Erickson/Berkos to accept the donation of various student related supplies, books, and student seating from "donorschoose.org" for the classrooms of Rachel Tambornino, Tiffany Schumer, Karen Hable and Karla Saylor. The donations totaled \$3,398.11. Following discussion, the motion carried 7/0.
11. Motion by Erickson/Berkos to accept the donation of Legos and books from "donorschoose.org" to Kaitlin Wagner, Olson Middle School English/Language Arts teacher, valued at \$1,209.00. Following discussion the motion carried 7/0.
12. Motion by Erickson/Berkos to accept a donation of \$2,500.00 in the form of an educational grant from Dollar General to the classroom of Kaitlin Wagner, OMS English/Language Arts teacher for the purchase of classroom reading materials. Following discussion, the motion carried 7/0.
13. Superintendent Weymouth noted additional donations of school supplies from Carol Greathouse (\$200.00) and Richard McCurdy (\$250.00) for Lyndon Station Elementary School.

14. Motion by Holmes/Kryka to waive the Third Reading and approve Policy 492 – Homeless Students, as presented. Motion carried 7/0.
15. The Board conducted the first reading of proposed revisions to Policy 345.6 – Graduation Requirements. The revisions encompass updates related to current credit requirements and educational pathways. The revisions also include a reference to the high school Civics exam now required by Wisconsin Statute.
16. Business Manager Julie Lankey-Smallwood described the Budget Process Timeline for 2017-2018. The timeline summarizes the monthly benchmarks for preparation and approval of the annual School District budget. Motion by Erickson/Berkos to approve the Budget Process Timeline as presented. Motion carried 7/0.
17. Motion by Erickson/Berkos to approve Tricor Insurance as the District Property and Liability Insurance carrier for 2017-2020, as presented (ref. BoardBook, pg. 24), at a cost of \$154,048.00 for the 2017-2018 premium. Following discussion, the motion carried 7/0.
18. Motion by Rogers/Kryka to adjourn at 7:50 p.m. Motion carried 7/0.

Recorded by:
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