

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR SCHOOL BOARD MEETING
School District of Mauston**

DATE: Monday, January 15, 2018

TIME: 7:00 P.M.

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

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

1. Board Chairperson Carrie Buss called the meeting to order at 7:01 p.m. Roll call of members was taken; seven 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 Future Business Leaders of America (FBLA)** – Gavin Gray, Kevin Kustief, and Gracelyn Footit reported on recent activities such as 50/50 raffles, candy cane sales. Upcoming FBLA events include the Regional competitions in Ithaca.
2. **Mauston FFA** – Gracelyn Footit and Lauren Luke reported on having approximately \$4,000 profit in FFA's fruit, cheese and sausage sale, as well as recent activities including two members attending the Half-Time Convention in Stevens Point. Upcoming events for the group include the Regional Speaking Contest that will be held in Mauston; the Farm Forum in February; and National FFA Week, which is February 19-23.
3. **Board Committee Reports** – were presented by Pam Holmes (Policy and Personnel) and Lynn Erickson (Finance).
4. **Application of Distance Learning Courses** – Luke Boppart and Preston Shields presented the Service Learning Project that they took part in as part of an engineering distance-learning course. The project was based on IT Department brainstorming, which allowed them to assemble and configure the layout of SMART Boards and teach teachers/staff how to use them. Kevin Kustief showed a video he created to help demonstrate the steps in the project.
5. **Mauston High School Course Catalog** – Jim Dillin shared improvements that Mauston High School has made to its Course Catalog for the School-Year 2018-2019, which was partially the result of feedback from parents. It will include suggestions for parents/student; identify different career clusters; and a possible road map for classes in each department.
6. **Superintendent's Report** – Dr. Weymouth and Jim Dillin discussed a proposed athletic realignment. Mr. Dillin said the last change was about 15 years ago when the South

Central Conference dropped to six schools, and it became difficult to schedule games. During a meeting in Nekoosa January 9th, the group of High School Principals and Superintendents discuss the possibility of an 8 team conference. They have asked the WIAA for relief in the possible realignment. The group was asked to get feedback from their school boards. Pam Holmes asked if there was a way to address the missed instructional time, often lost due to spring athletics. Dillin said they have looked at a couple of options, such as having Pride Time at the end of the day rather than the beginning of the day.

Consent Agenda

Motion was made by Berkos/Kryka to approve the Consent Agenda. Motion carried 7/0, whereby the following items were approved:

1. Minutes of the December 18, 2017 Regular School Board Meeting
2. Payment of District Vouchers totaling \$1,248,596.63

Pending Actions:

1. Motion by Erickson/Berkos to accept with appreciation the donations to the LINK Crew from Jeff and Melanie Gray, and Gray Electric totaling \$1,500. Motion carried 7/0.
2. Motion by Erickson/Berkos to accept with appreciation the donation of labor in the form of painting from Coach Bill DeVoe in the weight room, totaling \$975. Motion carried 7/0.
3. Motion by Erickson/Berkos to accept the donation in the form of a grant from the Wisconsin State Golf Association to the Mauston Golf Team, totaling \$1,000. Motion carried 7/0.
4. Motion by Erickson/Berkos to accept with appreciation the donation from the Bank of Mauston to the Mauston Key Club, totaling \$2,000. Motion carried 7/0.
5. Superintendent Christine Weymouth noted additional donations to the District from St. Pat's Youth Group, which donated hygiene products to Grayside Elementary; Bethany Lutheran Church, which donated about \$100-\$150 worth in hats and gloves to Grayside Elementary; and also Berkos' Law Office, Castle Rock Realty and River City Insurance, for the donation of winter wear and blankets district-wide.
6. Motion by Holmes/Kryka to accept the resignation of Olson Middle School Special Education Teacher Danielle Roos effective February 1, 2018. Motion carried 7/0.
7. Motion by Holmes/Rogers to approve the employee contract of Justina Vanagin as the Olson Middle School Special Education Teacher for the second semester of the current school year. Following a discussion, the motion carried 7/0.

8. Superintendent Weymouth led the discussion on the Vision 2020 document. She said the Leadership Team collapsed two strategic priorities into one, to have three dominant priorities and added beliefs and commitments that give the District boundaries for decision making and planning on the strategic priorities and other leadership and operational matters. Pam Holmes said the document was clear, it states the goals, it is easy to understand, and it holds the District accountable. Dan Berkos said it is good to have the platform on paper. Dr. Weymouth said the next step is to create a pamphlet to hand out to parents/community members as well as placing it on the website to attract families and staff to the District.
9. Motion by Holmes/Erickson to approve the administrative recommendations for open enrollment spaces available in the District for the 2018-2019 school year. Michele Yates-Wickus and Dr. Weymouth explained the process by which available spaces are determined, and noted that spaces for special education applicants are very limited, due to space and teacher/student ratios. Following discussion, the motion carried 7/0.
10. Motion by Kryka/Holmes to authorize RJ Rogers, as the WASB Delegate, to vote in the best interest of the District during the WASB State Convention. Motion carried 7/0.
11. Motion by Erickson/Berkos to adjourn to Executive/Closed Session pursuant to State Statute (19.85)(1)(c): Considering employment, promotion, compensation or performance evaluation data of any public employee over which the governmental body has jurisdiction or exercises responsibility." [Discuss Superintendent's annual evaluation]. A roll call vote was taken, and the motion carried 7/0. The meeting adjourned to closed session at 8:45 p.m.

Recorded by Jennifer Hagemann, Recording Secretary