

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

DATE: Monday, November 19, 2018

TIME: 7:00 P.M.

PLACE: Mauston School District Board Room
510 Grayside Avenue, Mauston, WI 53948

MEMBERS PRESENT: Kryka, Locken, Hines, Berkos, Erickson, Coughlin, Rogers

1. Board President RJ Rogers called the meeting to order at 7:01 p.m. A roll call of members was taken; seven members were present.
2. President Rogers led those present in the Pledge of Allegiance.
3. Public Comments: Fred Hollenbeck, Mauston High School Girls Tennis Coach, commented on the City of Mauston's tennis courts. He stated that there hasn't been a significant financial investment in the courts since the 1990s, and the courts needed either serious repair or replacement. He asked the Board to consider splitting the cost with the City by either repairing or replacing the Lions Park courts or take on the entire cost by creating courts on the District's campus.

REPORTS:

1. **Board Committee Reports** – Presented by Betty Kryka (Policy and Personnel), Lynn Erickson (Finance) and Troy Locken (Property and Transportation).
2. **Eagle After School Program Report** – Carrie Buss, Jolene Routson, and Bobbi Steele presented that the Eagle After School Program was funded by the 21st Century Community Learning Center Grant, and as of November 19, there are 97 students in the program with a waiting list. Buss said that the EASP provides academic and enrichment focused programming, and has started to establish community partnerships. Buss said upcoming events included expanded swimming lessons for students grades 1 and up, dance lessons, as well as cultural exposure opportunities.
3. **Math for Everyone Report** – Jim Dillin, Kurt Andreasen and Cheryl Cyert presented changes to the Mathematics curriculum. Dillin said the change started six years ago, and 18 months ago, the Mathematics Team went to Lodi High School to learn educational strategies that meet Mauston's goals. Andreasen and Cyert said that they started piloting Mauston strategies in the 2017-2018 school year and the schedule has been restructured and improved again this school year. These changes are in response to student ACT and ACT Aspire data, teacher classroom observation and the need to be supportive and responsive to individual math learner needs. The results have been positive, with a recent result showing it's the highest percentage of students at the benchmark on the ACT Aspire the District has had so far.

4. **Superintendent's Report** – Superintendent Christine Weymouth communicated to the Board about the legislation requirements on school districts holding Safety Drills. She said that the District schools will be conducting safety drills with students and staff the first week of December, and information will be sent out to parents.

CONSENT AGENDA

Motion by Erickson/Berkos to approve the consent agenda. Motion carried 7/0 whereby the following items were approved:

1. Minutes of the Regular School Board Meeting, Monday, October 15, 2018 and Special School Board Meeting, Monday, October 22, 2018, Special School Board Meeting, Monday, November 5, 2018, Special School Board Meeting, Tuesday, November 13, 2018.
2. Start College Now Applications
3. The creation of a new Fund 21 – MHS Dance Team
4. Payment of the Monthly Vouchers totaling \$1,688,483.55 and revenue totaling \$113,016.36.

Pending Action Items

1. Motion by Erickson/Berkos to accept a donation of four dehumidifiers to Lyndon Station Elementary from Tom and Ashley Miller with the Lyndon Station Chamber, a value of \$549.90. Motion carried 7/0.
2. Motion by Erickson/Berkos to accept a donation of \$5,000 to be used towards the Mauston School District Community Pool from Skogen's Festival Foods. Motion carried 7/0.
3. Motion by Erickson/Berkos to accept an anonymous donation of a piano for the Mauston High School practice rooms, a value of \$2,000. Motion carried 7/0.
4. Motion by Erickson/Berkos to accept a donation from Dan Swinehart and Lamperts Lumber of \$660 to be used for the safety buckets throughout the District. Motion carried 7/0.
5. Dr. Weymouth acknowledged that there were other donations to the District less than \$300. Peggy Belter donated about \$100 worth of knitted and crocheted hats and Raymonda Blank donated about \$100 in mittens, gloves and head bands to Lyndon Station Elementary; Kathy Gruett donated about \$150 in batteries to Lyndon Station Elementary; Arlene Lipke donated socks & jackets to Olson Middle School; Brett & Carrie Kudick donated \$240 and Jeff & Melanie Gray donated \$120 to Olson Middle School; Tom and Ashley Miller donated \$45 for scissors in the Lyndon LMC; Karen Hable was the recipient of a Meemic Foundation Grant in the amount of \$100; Eagle Promotions donated seven "To-Go" bags from for the front offices, which will be used in case of an evacuation.
6. Motion by Erickson/Locken to approve the proposed School District Calendar for the 2019-2020 School Year. Motion carried 7/0.

7. Motion by Berkos/Coughlin to approve the proposed School District Calendar for the 2020-2021 School Year. Motion carried 7/0.
8. The first reading of proposed changes to Policy 5512 - Use of Tobacco And/Or Nicotine By Students was held.
9. The first reading of proposed changes to Policy 7434 - Use of Tobacco on School Premises was held.
10. Motion by Berkos/Kryka to approve the new employee handbook language to reflect that the District will pay for the cost of the employee's current health insurance premium for up to 12 months once the long term disability benefit begins. After some discussion, motion carried 6-0-1. Hines abstained.
11. Motion by Erickson/Kryka to approve an amount not to exceed \$15,000 for the cost of utilizing a superintendent search consultant. Motion carried 7/0.
12. Meeting adjourned at 8:38 p.m.

Recorded by:
Jennifer Hagemann, Recording Secretary