

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

**DATE:** Monday, March 18, 2019

**TIME:** 7:00 p.m.

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

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Kryka, Locken, Erickson, Hines, Rogers

**MEMBERS ABSENT:** Berkos and Coughlin

1. Board President RJ Rogers called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. A roll call of members was taken; five members were present, two were absent.
2. President Rogers led those present in the Pledge of Allegiance.
3. Public Comments: None

**REPORTS:**

**1. Student Reports:**

- a. **FBLA** – Keli Borum and Mason Luehman reported that five people will be going to the State Conference in April and Elizabeth Kolb and Ali Fenner will be competing in their respective events. Upcoming events for FBLA include work nights for the State Conference and elections of new officers.
- b. **Key Club** – Anna Boppart and Allison Lavold announced the new officer team for Key Club. President – Anna Boppart, Vice President – Anna McClintock, Secretary – Ana Turner, Treasurer – Haily Dudzinski, Bulletin Editor – Ashley Hoffman, Webmaster – Noah Kratochvil, and Outreach Coordinator – Allison Lavold. Allison recapped the group’s Literacy Nights, held with the Mauston Kiwanis, which were held during the Parent/Teacher Conferences. Upcoming events for Key Club include working at the Mauston Montessori monthly dinner in April and “Paint the Cow” with Mauston Kiwanis.
- c. **FFA** – Olivia Lulich and Isabell Kemper reported that eight members were running for officer positions and elections will be held during the April Annual Banquet. They recapped National FFA Week and informed the Board that members are preparing for the State Convention in June. Upcoming events include Career Development Events (CDEs) on April 5, Midwest Roundup Jackpot Show in May, and State Convention.
- d. **Student Council** – Lauren Franek recapped Winterfest for the Board. Upcoming events for Student Council include a Red Cross Blood Drive and College Rep

Day, where students wear their favorite college gear.

2. **Board Committee Reports** - Presented by Betty Kryka (Policy and Personnel), Troy Locken (Property and Transportation) and Lynn Erickson (Finance).
3. **WASB or CESA Conferences Attended Report** – No report.
4. **Leadership Team Reports** – Members of the District Leadership Team shared school and program information.
5. **Grayside Makerspace** – Brandon Luehman, Elementary Library Media Specialist, and a group of students showed the Board a special edition of WGES, a daily morning news program for Grayside students and staff. Mr. Luehman reported that Grayside students have also created a newspaper, the Regal Eagle, and a podcast called “Just for Kids.” All of these are available on the school website.
6. **Tiny House Project** – Jim Dillin, High School Principal, reported to the Board the purpose of the Tiny House Project is to create a self-sustaining Introduction to Construction Program that offers a rich learning environment for students that want to enter the construction field and students who want to develop a unique skill set. The cost is roughly \$10,000-\$13,000 to construct Tiny House. Principal Dillin told the Board they presented the project to the Bank of Mauston in the Spring 2018. As of the March 18, 2019 Regular Board meeting, Bank of Mauston has donated \$10,000 to the project, and other local contractors have started donating materials. The plan is to raffle off the Tiny House by selling 2,500 raffle tickets for \$10 each and announce the winner at an upcoming football game.
7. **Superintendent’s Report** - Dr. Christine Weymouth informed the Board of an upcoming WASB workshop, New School Board Member Gathering, on April 17. She congratulated Karen Hable on being an Herb Kohl Educational Foundation Teacher Fellow finalist. Karen and Mauston High School each will receive a \$6,000 grant and will be recognized at a regional luncheon in the spring. Dr. Weymouth also told the Board that the safety film that was part of the Department of Justice Safety Grant was installed on school and District Office main entry doors and windows.

### **Consent Agenda**

Motion by Erickson/Locken to approve the consent agenda. Motion carried 5/0 whereby the following items were approved:

1. Minutes of the Regular School Board Meeting, February 18, 2019
2. The resignation of Leah Tennesen, a Special Education Teacher at West Side Elementary.
3. Payment of the Monthly Vouchers totaling \$1,095,262.29 and revenue totaling \$975,177.67.

## Pending Action Items

1. Motion by Erickson/Locken to accept a \$1,000 grant from the Wisconsin State Golf Association Foundation to the Mauston High School Boys Golf Program. Motion carried 5/0.
2. Motion by Erickson/Locken to accept a \$1,777 WICPA Educational Foundation Accounting Careers Awareness Grant to Sandy Davies to help advance accounting education in the School District of Mauston. Motion carried 5/0.
3. Motion by Erickson/Locken to accept a \$5,000 donation from the Bank of Mauston to be used towards the Tiny House Project. Motion carried 5/0.
4. Dr. Christine Weymouth acknowledged that there were other donations to the District less than \$300. The Reittinger family donated \$75 to the Lyndon Station Elementary Makerspace and JOANN'S Fabric donated a total of \$276 worth of art and craft supplies through the "Kids in Need" grant.
5. Motion by Kryka/Erickson to approve the teaching contract for Tracy Longhenry to teach at Mauston High School as the High School Intellectual Disabilities/Transition Teacher for the 2019-2020 school year. Motion carried 5/0.
6. Motion by Kryka/Erickson to approve the employment contract for Shannon Cowan to be a Counselor at Mauston High School for the 2019-2020 school year. Motion carried 5/0.
7. The first reading with proposed changes to Policy 8510 – Wellness was held. Business Manager Sue Goyette told the Board the language came directly from the Department of Public Instruction from the District's Food Service Audit. No action was taken.
8. Motion by Erickson/Hines to approve the proposed CESA #5 Contract for the 2019-2020 school year. Motion carried 5/0.
9. Motion by Erickson/Hines to approve the purchase of a truck through Rudig-Jensen and a straight blade plow attachment from Darrell's Auto Repair with the total expense not to exceed \$38,000. After a discussion, motion carried 5/0.
10. Motion by Erickson/Locken to approve the WIAA Application for Cooperative Team Renewal for the Girls Ice Hockey team for 2019-2020 and 2020-2021 school years. Motion carried 5/0.
11. The board set a tentative date of April 29<sup>th</sup> for a special board meeting for the Board of Education Reorganization.

12. Motion by Locken/Kryka to adjourn to Executive/Closed Session in compliance with Wisconsin Statute 19.85 (1)(c) to discuss administrative contracts and salaries. A roll call vote was taken and motion carried 5/0. The meeting adjourned to Closed Session at 8:35 p.m.

Recorded by:

Jennifer Hagemann, Board Secretary