

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

DATE: Monday, April 17, 2017

TIME: 7:00 P.M.

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

MEMBERS PRESENT: Buss, Rogers, Holmes, Vinopal, Berkos, Locken

MEMBERS ABSENT: Kryka

Board Chairperson Carrie Buss called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. Roll call of members was taken; six members were present.

Mrs. Buss led those present in the Pledge of Allegiance to the American Flag.

Public Comments: None.

Recognition of Board Member Service

President Carrie Buss presented a plaque to Lynda Vinopal in appreciation for her service as a member of the Board of Education (2013-2017). Mrs. Vinopal was also given a Certificate of Appreciation from the Wisconsin Association of School Boards.

Recognition of Staff Member Award

District Library/Media Technology Specialist Jennifer Holberg was recognized by the Board for recently being awarded the "Forward Award" from the Wisconsin Educational Media & Technology Association.

Reports:

1. **Mauston High School Key Club:** Garrett Georgeson and Elizabeth Kolb reported on Key Club Activities including the upcoming walk for "March of Dimes" and participation by club members in serving Meals on Wheels.
2. **Mauston High School (MHS) Future Business Leaders of America (FBLA):** Donna Curran and Elizabeth Kolb reported on the results of the recent state FBLA competition. One MHS team, including Mitchell Gray, Tarren Hall and Travis Erler qualified for the national competition:
3. **Board Committee Reports:** Board committee chairs reported on recent meetings of the Policy and Personnel, Property and Transportation and Finance Committees.
4. **Staff Report:** Mauston High School science instructor Molly Carlson, accompanied by students Lucas Eilers, Kaitlyn Jensen and Evan Jensen, reported on a recent research project completed by several MHS students in which they conducted experiments on the effects of toxicants on zebrafish. The results of their research were presented at a research conference held at the

University of Wisconsin/Milwaukee, and students received commendations for their work, as well as the opportunity for the results to be published in an online journal.

5. **Superintendent's Report:** Dr. Christine M. Weymouth updated the Board on several upcoming events including the FFA End of Year Banquet and the Special Education "Meet and Greet" Supper. Dr. Weymouth also shared updates on the ongoing track and field and bleacher renovation projects.

Consent Agenda:

6. Motion by Vinopal/Berkos to approve the consent agenda. Motion carried 6/0 whereby the following items were approved:
 - a. Minutes of the March 20, 2017 Regular School Board Meeting
 - b. Approval of the payment of monthly vouchers totaling \$7,294,121.13.

Pending Action:

7. Motion by Holmes/Rogers to accept the resignation of Lindsay Jacobs, Elementary Principal at West Side and Grayside Elementary Schools. Lindsay has been with the District for two years. The Board members expressed appreciation for Lindsay's service to the District. Following discussion, the motion carried 6/0.
8. Motion by Holmes/Rogers to accept the resignation of Michelle Bittick, District Math Instructional Coach who has worked in the District for eight years. The Board members expressed appreciation for Michelle's service to the District. Following discussion, the motion carried 6/0.
9. Motion by Holmes/Rogers to accept the resignation of Kevin Hahn, Mauston High School Math Teacher. The Board members expressed unanimous appreciation for Mr. Hahn's four years of service to the students at Mauston High School. Following discussion, the motion carried 6/0.
10. Motion by Holmes/Rogers to approve the employment recommendation to hire Megan Horkan as a 4K-12 Behavioral Coach for the School District for the 2017-2018 school year. Following discussion, the motion carried 6/0.
11. Motion by Holmes/Rogers to approve the employment recommendation to hire Kelly Yach as a Spanish Teacher for Olson Middle School and Mauston High School for the 2017-2018 school year. Following discussion, the motion carried 6/0.
12. Motion by Vinopal/Berkos to accept with appreciation the donation of \$1,500.00 from Parker Hannifin Corporation to Mauston High School. Following discussion, the motion carried 6/0.
13. Motion by Vinopal/Berkos to accept with appreciation the donation of \$1000.00 from the Golden Eagle Athletic Booster Club toward the purchase of a dumbbell set for the MHS Strengthening Room. Following discussion, the motion carried 6/0.
14. Motion by Vinopal/Berkos to accept with appreciation the donation of \$2,033.00 from multiple anonymous donors via "donorschoose.org," including cash donations for books, scissors and equipment and supplies to be used at the new MHS food pantry. Following discussion, the motion carried 6/0.

15. Motion by Vinopal/Berkos to accept with appreciation the donation of books from the Mauston Kiwanis Club, valued at \$430.00. The books were distributed to students at parent/teacher conference nights. Following discussion, the motion carried 6/0.
16. Motion by Vinopal/Berkos to accept with appreciation the donations from the Lyndon Station PTC group which totaled \$425.71 for the month, and included an organization cart for second grade, popcorn and juice for the spring dance, a basketball hoop, project boards for fourth grade and meals for staff on parent/teacher conference nights. Following discussion, the motion carried 6/0.
17. Superintendent Weymouth acknowledged other donations including stamping and art products for Lyndon Station Elementary from Roxanne Krubsack; golf balls valued at \$90.00 from Mary Bauer; bicycles from Brandon Page valued at \$125.00; and an anonymous donation for \$251.39 for a fan bus for travel to the basketball game on March 11, 2017.
18. Motion by Holmes/Rogers to approve the construction of a covered pavilion on school district property adjacent to the existing concession stand. The pavilion is being donated by various individuals and coordinated by the Golden Eagle Athletic Booster club. Athletic Director Randy Gyllin presented information about the proposed pavilion, and discussed the projected timeline for completion. Following discussion, the motion carried 6/0.
19. Motion by Berkos/Vinopal to approve the proposal submitted by Integral Building Systems, Inc. for the materials and labor to install single mode fiber according to the specifications determined by the School District of Mauston in the Request for Proposals dated March 13, 2017. Rob Demeuse shared some background information with the Board related to the selection of IBS as the vendor for the project, which will be paid for out of the technology loan approved at last month's Board meeting. IBS submitted the low bid for the project, totaling \$40,800. Following discussion, a roll call vote was taken and the motion carried 6/0.
20. Superintendent Christine Weymouth summarized the budget preparation process and reviewed the proposed operational and instructional needs (Ref. BoardBook, page 23). Motion by Rogers/Vinopal to approve the proposed instructional and operational needs as outlined in the Budget Planning Worksheet as presented for the 2017-2018 Preliminary District Budget. Following discussion, the motion carried 6/0.
21. Board Clerk RJ Rogers administered the Official Oath of Office of School Board Members to newly elected member Lynn E. Erickson, and to returning Board member Danny Berkos.
22. Motion by Berkos/Holmes to adjourn to Executive Session pursuant to Wisconsin Statutes 19.85 (1)(c) for the purpose of reviewing administrative contracts. A roll call vote was taken and the motion carried 6/0. The meeting adjourned to Executive/Closed Session at 8:25 p.m.
23. The meeting reconvened in open session at 8:51 p.m.
24. Motion by Berkos/Holmes to extend and approve a two-year (2017-2019) administrative contract to Superintendent Christine M. Weymouth, as presented; salary to be determined at a later date (Ref. District File). The motion carried 6/0.
25. Motion by Berkos/Holmes to approve a two-year (2017-2019) administrative contract for Michele Yates-Wickus, Director of Special Education and Student services, as presented; salary to be determined at a later date. The motion carried 6/0.

26. Motion by Berkos/Vinopal to approve a two-year (2017-2019) administrative contract for Lynda Oleinik, Director of Teaching and Learning, as presented; salary to be determined at a later date. The motion carried 6/0.
27. Motion by Berkos/Vinopal to approve a two-year (2017-2019) administrative contract for Rob Demeuse, Director of Technology, as presented; salary to be determined at a later date. The motion carried 6/0.
28. Motion by Vinopal/Holmes to adjourn at 8:58 p.m. Motion carried 6/0.

Recorded by:
Melodye Jones, Recording Secretary; and
RJ Rogers, Board Clerk