

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR SCHOOL BOARD MEETING
School District of Mauston

DATE: Monday, September 21, 2015

TIME: 7:00 P.M.

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

MEMBERS PRESENT: Buss, Rogers, Fox, Vinopal, Kryka, Holmes

MEMBERS ABSENT: Berkos

1. Board President Carrie Buss called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. Roll call was taken; six members were present.
2. Mrs. Buss led those present in the Pledge of Allegiance to the American Flag.
3. There were no public comments.

Reports:

4. **Mauston High School FFA:** President Craig Dallman and Secretary McKenzie Null reported on the activities of the FFA. The FFA food stand at the Juneau County Fair was a big success. Several members will attend the National FFA Convention late in October.
5. **MHS Key Club:** Kaitlyn Asdigian reported that the MHS Key Club has a membership of 34 members this year. They are looking forward to another successful year.
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7. **Mauston High School (MHS) Future Business Leaders of America (FBLA):** Donna Curran, Kelsey Georgeson, Naly Vang and Estrella Hartje reported for the FBLA. They plan to earn more funds this year by working concessions at several MHS activities. Membership is still growing.
8. **Board Committees:** Board Committee Chairs for Finance, Policy & Personnel, and Property & Transportation reported on recent meetings.
9. **Superintendent Christine Weymouth introduced Colleen James**, clinical counselor and social worker from InnerVisions in Mauston. Ms. James also works with students in our district, providing mental health services and counseling. She has more than 20 years experience as a licensed counselor and social worker.
10. **District Leadership Team Reports:** Members of the District Leadership Team shared reports for their respective schools and departments.
11. **Superintendent's Report:** Dr. Weymouth thanked the District staff and Leadership Team for their preparation leading to a successful start to the school year. She reported that staff will attend a district-wide safety meeting on the Friday, Sept. 25 staff work day. She reminded parents that there will be no school for students this Friday. Also, she updated the Board on the

timeline for preparation of the referendum projects specifications, and asked them to attend a Special School Board Meeting that will be held on Monday, November 2, 2015 for approval of the specifications and certification of the district tax levy for 2015-2016.

Consent Agenda:

12. Motion by Fox/Vinopal to approve the consent agenda. Motion carried 6/0 whereby the following items were approved:
- A. Minutes of the August 17, 2015 Regular School Board Meeting;
 - B. Approval of three Parent Transportation Contracts.
 - C. Payment of monthly vouchers totaling \$1,029,600.80.

Pending Action:

13. Motion by Holmes/Rogers to accept the resignation of Garrick Garvens, Grade 7 English/Language Arts teacher from Olson Middle School. Motion carried 6/0.
14. Motion by Holmes/Kryka to approve the administrative recommendation to hire Sheri Benson as a Speech Pathologist (part time) for the 2015-2016 school year. She will work two days per week. Following discussion, the motion carried 6/0.
15. Motion by Holmes/Kryka to approve the administrative recommendation to hire Kaitlyn Wagner as a Grade 7 English/Language Arts Teacher at Olson Middle School. Following discussion, the motion carried 6/0.
16. Motion by Holmes/Kryka to approve the administrative recommendation to hire May McKinney as a music teacher at Olson Middle School for the 2015-2016 school year. Following discussion, the motion carried 6/0.
17. Motion by Holmes/Rogers to approve the administrative recommendation to hire Tammy Heath as a School District Nurse for the 2015-2016 school year. Following discussion, the motion carried 6/0.
18. Motion by Fox/Vinopal to accept with appreciation the donation of items valued at \$6,508.59 from the West Side/Grayside PTC organization. Following discussion the motion carried 6/0.
19. Motion by Fox/Vinopal to accept with appreciation the donation of funds for new FFA T-Shirts from Kudick Chevrolet of Mauston. The dollar value for the shirts was \$1,480.00. Following discussion, the motion carried 6/0.
20. Motion by Fox/Vinopal to accept with appreciation the donation of \$800 in gift cards from the Lyndon Station PTC to the teaching staff at Lyndon Station Elementary School. Following discussion, the motion carried 6/0.
21. Motion by Fox/Vinopal to accept with appreciation the donation from an anonymous donor of \$5000 to the Mauston Football Club. Following discussion, the motion carried 6/0.
22. Motion by Fox/Vinopal to accept with appreciation the donation from an anonymous donor of a vehicle to the MHS Tech Ed program, valued at \$2,500. Following discussion, the motion carried 6/0.

23. Motion by Fox/Vinopal to accept with appreciation the donation of coupons for FFA Shakes, to be handed out at the Juneau County Fair Parade, donated by the Bank of Mauston, and valued at more than \$350.00. Following discussion, the motion carried 6/0.
24. The Board also acknowledged the generous donations of school supplies from several area groups and businesses including: Philipps Pharmacy, Check Advance, Royal Bank, Swan Services, Allied Health chiropractic, Lemonweir Valley Chapter of the Eastern Star, St. Vincent DePaul's, and Parker Hannifin.
25. Dr. Weymouth noted that Mauston McDonalds had donated condiments, straws and napkins to the MHS FFA Food Stand. She thanked Gray Electric and the City of Mauston for their assistance with renovations to the batting cages and baseball field areas, and noted that Coach Chris Lavold had donated at least 25 hours of labor to the project.
26. The Board conducted the First Reading of proposed revisions to Board Policy 454 – Reporting Child Abuse/Neglect.
27. Motion by Holmes/Kryka to approve a revision to the 2015-2016 School District Calendar, namely to make April 22, 2016 a school day for students, and to change Friday, May 13, 2016 to a “No School/Staff Work Day.” Following discussion, the motion carried 6/0.
28. Motion by Fox/Vinopal to approve the District Budget Calendar for 2015-2016. The revision reflects a provision for grant funds to be encumbered or spent by March 31 annually. Following discussion, the motion carried 6/0.
29. Motion by Holmes/Vinopal to approve a recommendation from the Property and Transportation Committee to select Integral Building Systems as the district's vendor for upgrades to security cameras, door strikes, building access/staff fobs, surge protectors, and A-Phones. IBS submitted the lowest of five bids, for a total cost of \$137,447.00 (Ref./Bid Doc. Exhibit #1/File). Following discussion, the motion carried 6/0.
30. The Board President confirmed that a Special Board Meeting will be held on Monday, November 2, 2015 at 7:00 p.m. to review and approve specifications for the referendum projects and to certify the 2015-2016 School District Tax Levy.
31. Board President Carrie Buss gave background related to the proposed formation of a Campus Fields Advisory Team. Motion by Rogers/Fox to approve the establishment of a Campus Fields Advisory Team which will collaborate on a campus-wide plan for projects. The team will work with citizens, users, booster groups, community partners, coaches, administrators and Board members, to review ideas and proposals for development and changes to the District campus, and review the processes for acceptance and use of community involvement in completing these projects. Dr. Weymouth will work with MHS Principal Jim Dillin to set the agendas for these meetings. Mrs. Vinopal suggested seeking input from MHS students. Following discussion, the motion carried 6/0.
32. Motion by Vinopal/Fox to approve the recommendation from the Finance Committee to establish a District Health Insurance Study Committee. The committee will be comprised of long-time employees, new employees, support and teaching staff members and administration and the Associated Financial Group (district health benefits consultant) to educate employees about the current health insurance plans provided by the District. The committee will review the

requirements of the Affordable Care Act, and work with AFG to bid out the district's health insurance policy in the spring of 2016. Following discussion, the motion carried 6/0.

33. Motion by Rogers/Fox to adjourn at 8:33 p.m. Motion carried 6/0.

Recorded by: Melodye Jones, Recording Secretary