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

DATE: Monday, November 18, 2013

TIME: 7:00 P.M.

PLACE: District Administrative Office

510 Grayside Avenue, Mauston WI 53948

MEMBERS PRESENT: Buss, Rogers, Kryka, Fox, Zilisch, Vinopal, Berkos

**MEMBERS ABSENT: None** 

1. Board Vice-President Carrie Buss called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. All 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: Charitee Seebecker and Craig Dallman reported on FFA activities including the National FFA Convention, the fruit, cheese and sausage sale, and the upcoming shopping and Badger hockey trips. They reported that the soy bean crop on the school field netted \$2,699.06 in earnings.
- 5. **Showcase Report:** Olson Middle School teachers Scott West and Brian McGuire reported on the use of Google Chromebooks at Olson Middle School. Eighth grade student Tom Gruman commented on ways that this device assists him in learning, and in completing homework assignments.
- 6. Fall Athletics Update: Athletic Director Randy Fabian highlighted student athletic achievements from the fall sports season (Ref. Exhibit #1/District File).
- 7. Technology Education Construction Report: Randy Fabian and local Habitat for Humanity director Jim Abbs reported to the board on the current status of the 2013 technology education construction project. Mr. Fabian and Mr. Abbs expressed mutual appreciation for the collaboration between the school district and Habitat projects in Juneau County. This year the class is building a new home on Union Street in Mauston.
- 8. Administrative Reports: Focus on Assessment -- the school principals and Director of Instruction reported on the current assessments used in the district. Business Manager Julie Lankey-Smallwood reported on transportation policy reminders for 4K and Kindergarten parents, and on the status of the after-school snack program at Mauston High School.
- 9. Superintendent's Report: Dr. Christine M. Weymouth updated the Board on several issues including the upcoming board and committee meetings on the calendar, the notice of school board member election, including information for incumbents.

#### **Consent Agenda:**

- 10. Motion by Rogers/Zilisch to approve the Consent Agenda. Motion carried 7/0, whereby the following items were approved:
  - a. Approval of School Board Minutes:
    - 1. Monday, October 21, 2013 Regular School Board Meeting
    - 2. Monday, November 4, 2013 Special School Board Meeting
  - b. Approval of Parent Transportation Contract
  - c. Approval of Youth Options Applications
  - d. Approve Payment of Monthly Vouchers totaling \$1,610,122.26.

### **Pending Action:**

11. The Board discussed a request from the Mauston Area Youth Soccer group for district sponsorship of soccer at Mauston High School. The item will be brought back to the board for possible action at a later date.

- 12. Motion by Fox/Zilisch to approve the Budget Process Timeline (Ref. Exhibit #2/District File). Following discussion, the motion carried 7/0.
- 13. Motion by Zilisch/Fox to accept the donation of \$1000 from Stroh Controls. The board expressed appreciation for this generous gift. Mr. Dillin noted that for some time the district has discussed the possibility of starting an educational foundation. He proposed that the donation be used as a first donation to this fund. Following discussion, the motion carried 7/0.
- 14. Motion by Zilisch/Vinopal to approve the donation of lumber valued at \$1000 from Mrs. Eileen Gruman, in memory of her husband Tom Gruman, former assistant principal at Mauston High School. The board expressed appreciation for this donation. Following discussion, the motion carried 7/0.
- 15. Special Education Director Michele Yates-Wickus reviewed district-wide seclusion and restraint information with the Board of Education, in accordance with Wisconsin 2011 Act 125, and Stat. 115.787.
- 16. Motion by Zilisch/Kryka to adjourn at 8:58 p.m. Motion carried 7/0.

## MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL SCHOOL BOARD MEETING Mauston Board of Education

DATE: Monday, December 2, 2013

TIME: 7:00 P.M.

PLACE: District Administrative Office

510 Grayside Avenue, Mauston WI 53948

MEMBERS PRESENT: Buss, Rogers, Kryka, Fox, Zilisch, Berkos

**MEMBERS ABSENT: Vinopal** 

ALSO PRESENT: Matt Wolfert and Clint Selle from Bray Associates, and members of the district Leadership Team: Dr. Christine M. Weymouth, Superintendent; Julie Lankey-Smallwood, Business Manager; Rick Noe, Director of Buildings & Grounds; Rob Demeuse, Director of Technology; Lynda Oleinik, Director of Teaching and Learning; and Scott Tower, Elementary Principal.

- 1. Board Vice-President Carrie Buss called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m. Roll call of members was taken; six members were present (Vinopal/absent).
- 2. Dr. Weymouth introduced the purpose of the Board workshop, which was to begin a review of the building capacity and engineering reports (Electrical, HVAC and Plumbing) prepared by Bray Associates. The reports are part of an ongoing facility study authorized by the Board of Education at its August 19, 2013 Regular School Board meeting.
- 3. Matt Wolfert and Clint Selle, representatives from Bray Associates reviewed information compiled to date (Ref. Exhibit #1/District File), including:
  - a. A summary of utility costs (by building/and square footage);
  - b. The drafted five-year plan for capital projects across the district;
  - c. A summary of ongoing maintenance expenses, categorized by priority and cost;
  - d. Building capacity studies for each of the five district school buildings;
  - e. Heating, Ventilation and Air Conditioning system engineering reports for Lyndon Station, West Side, Grayside and Olson Middle Schools;
  - f. Plumbing engineering reports for Lyndon Station, West Side, Grayside and Olson Middle Schools; and
  - g. Electrical engineering reports for Lyndon Station, West Side, Grayside and Olson Middle Schools.
- 4. The Board will hold another workshop in January of 2014 (tentatively set for January 6) to continue reviewing facility study information.
- 5. Future discussion points will include, in part:
  - a. Food service/kitchen assessments for each building:
  - b. Enrollment factors:
  - c. Costs of sharing staff across buildings, (i.e., drive time);
  - d. Transportation costs; and

- e. Building configurations and educational impact.
- 6. Motion by Rogers/Kryka to adjourn at 9:00 p.m. Motion carried.

Recorded by: Melodye Jones, Recording Secretary