



MISSION STATEMENT

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AGENDA

March 9, 2020

REGULAR BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING

LOCATION: Thomas A. Lenk Educational Center, 510 Peach Street, Wisconsin Rapids, WI
Conference Room A/B

TIME: 6:00 p.m.

- I Call to Order
- II Pledge of Allegiance
- III Roll Call
- IV Student Representative's Report
- V Minutes
 - A. Regular Board of Education Meeting – February 10, 2020
 - B. Special Board of Education Meeting Minutes (Open/Closed) – March 2, 2020
- VI Comments From Citizens and Delegations

Persons who wish to address the Board of Education may make a statement pertaining to a specific agenda item, and may be recognized by the Board President to speak regarding issues which are not on the agenda; however, the Board will not take action on items not listed on the agenda. The Board President may establish limits for speakers due to time constraints. Persons wishing to address the Board should sign up to do so with the Board Secretary before the meeting begins. Comments made by the public shall be civil in content and tone. Speakers bear the personal risk if comments made are defamatory, slanderous, or otherwise harmful to another individual. Please keep in mind that this is a meeting of the Board of Education open to the public, and not a public hearing.
- VII Committee Reports
 - A. Educational Services Committee
 - 1. Action to approve first reading of Board Policy 3451.11 – Procedures for Academic Excellence Scholarships; Policy 423 – Public School Open Enrollment and 423 Rule – Procedures for Processing Public School Open Enrollment Applications; rescheduling of the January 2021 Professional Development Day from January 25, 2021 to January 18, 2021; approval of Lincoln High School Summer School course proposals; and approval of two new pilot courses: America's Voice and America's Story for 2020-21.
 - 2. Updates and reports on the secondary Language Arts Coordinator and K-12 Social Studies Coordinator positions.
 - 3. Action to approve regular Committee meeting minutes of March 2, 2020.

The Wisconsin open meetings law requires the Board, or Board Committee, only take action on subject matter that is noticed on their respective agendas. Persons wishing to place items on the agenda should contact the District Office at 715-424-6701, at least seven working days prior to the meeting date for the item to be considered. The item may be referred to the appropriate Committee or placed on the Board agenda as determined by the Superintendent and/or Board President. With advance notice, efforts will be made to accommodate the needs of persons with disabilities by providing a sign language interpreter or other auxiliary aids, by calling 715-424-6701.

VII Committee Reports (*continued*)

B. Business Services Committee

1. Action to approve purchases of Oasys Special Education administrative software, Discovery Education Online from Capstone, PebbleGo and PebbleGo Next from Capstone, renewal of various online databases and resources from WiLS, and purchases of Bump Armor CB Slim Hard Shell cases.
2. Updates and reports on purchases of police liaison services and Chromebooks for use at THINK, Woodside, and Washington Elementary schools.
3. Action to approve regular Committee meeting minutes of March 2, 2020.

C. Personnel Services Committee

1. Action on employee appointments and retirements, a proposed professional staff base wage for new hires, Board Policy 361.1 Rule – Procedures for Selection and Reconsideration of Library Materials for second reading, and an adjustment for non-athletic co-curricular compensation for Archery Club.
2. Updates and reports on District Employee Assistance Program activity and utilization by employees.
3. Action to approve regular Committee meeting minutes of March 2, 2020.

VIII Agenda Referrals/Information Requests

IX Legislative Agenda

X Bills

- A. Action on Receipts and Disbursements

XI New Business

- A. Possible action on employee appointments, resignations, and retirement requests.
- B. Action to approve of CESA 5 contracted services for the 2020-21 fiscal year.
- C. Discussion and possible action to approve a resolution authorizing the transfer of funds, the establishment of an escrow account with respect to and the defeasance of certain of the General Obligation Refunding Bonds, Series 2015, dated June 29, 2015 (Attachment A).

XII Calendar

The calendar reflects meetings and events that are scheduled as of March 9, 2020:

1. March 9, 2020 (Mon) – Regular Board of Education Meeting – 6:00 p.m.
2. March 16, 2020 (Mon) – Student Wellness Committee Meeting – 4:15 p.m.
3. March 23-27, 2020 – Spring Break
4. April 2, 2020 (Thur) – Council for Instructional Improvement (CII) Committee Meeting – 12:00 p.m.
5. April 6, 2020 (Mon) – Building Construction Trades Home Committee Meeting – 5:40 p.m.
6. April 6, 2020 (Mon) – Board Committee Meetings
 - Educational Services – 6:00 p.m.
 - Business Services and Personnel Services – Immediately following the Educational Services Committee Meeting, but not before 6:30 p.m.
7. April 13, 2020 (Mon) – Board Election Canvass Meeting – 4:15 p.m.
8. April 13, 2020 (Mon) – Regular Board of Education Meeting – 6:00 p.m.
9. April 13, 2020 (Mon) – Special Board of Education Meeting (Closed Session) – Immediately Following Regular Board of Education Meeting
10. April 27, 2020 – Board Reorganization Meeting – 6:00 p.m.

XIII Adjourn

Resolution No. 20200309

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE TRANSFER OF FUNDS,
THE ESTABLISHMENT OF AN ESCROW ACCOUNT WITH RESPECT
TO AND THE DEFEASANCE OF CERTAIN OF
THE GENERAL OBLIGATION REFUNDING BONDS, SERIES 2015,
DATED JUNE 29, 2015

WHEREAS, the School District of Wisconsin Rapids, Wood and Portage Counties, Wisconsin (the "District") has outstanding its General Obligation Refunding Bonds, Series 2015, dated June 29, 2015 (the "2015 Bonds") which were issued for the purpose of paying the cost of refunding certain outstanding obligations of the District;

WHEREAS, the District has certain debt service funds and other funds on hand (the "Funds") sufficient to defease a portion of the debt service on the 2015 Bonds;

WHEREAS, the School Board of the District deems it desirable and in the best interest of the District to transfer and apply such Funds to the defeasance and early redemption of a portion of the 2015 Bonds; and

WHEREAS, since the 2015 Bonds are not currently callable, it is necessary for the available Funds to be irrevocably deposited into an escrow account, invested in direct obligations of the United States of America, treated as a portion of the debt service fund for the 2015 Bonds and applied to pay the principal of and interest on all of the 2024 through 2027 maturities of the 2015 Bonds (the "Defeased Obligations") on the April 1, 2023 early redemption date.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the School Board of the District that:

1. Establishment of Escrow Account. The School Board hereby authorizes and directs the officers of the District to enter into an Escrow Agreement with Associated Trust Company, National Association, Green Bay, Wisconsin, as Escrow Agent, for the purpose of effecting the provisions of the Resolution.
2. Transfer and Deposit to Escrow Account. The School Board hereby authorizes and approves the transfer and deposit of the Funds into the Escrow Account to be established with the Escrow Agent in an amount sufficient, together with earnings thereon, to provide for the payment of the Defeased Obligations concurrently with the execution of the Escrow Agreement, and the subsequent use, investment and disbursement thereof by the Escrow Agent in the manner provided by the Escrow Agreement.
3. Professional Services. The School Board hereby ratifies and approves the retention of PMA Securities, LLC ("PMA") to provide financial advisory services in connection with this transaction; Quarles & Brady LLP ("Bond Counsel") to provide limited, special counsel legal services in connection with this transaction; and Robert Thomas CPA to provide mathematical verification and related services in connection with this transaction.

4. Redemption of the Defeased Obligations, Notice of Defeasance and Redemption. The Defeased Obligations are hereby called for redemption on April 1, 2023. The School Board hereby directs the Escrow Agent pursuant to the Escrow Agreement to provide a notice of the defeasance of said Defeased Obligations and a notice with respect to the redemption of the Defeased Obligations at the times and in the manner set forth in the final Escrow Agreement.

5. Authorization of Officers and Agents. The School Board hereby authorizes the appropriate officers and agents of the District to work with PMA and the Escrow Agent to review and approve the finalized Escrow Agreement including the escrow deposit and other details, to provide the notices of defeasance and redemption and to execute and deliver all documents required by Bond Counsel with respect to this transaction.

Adopted and recorded March 9, 2020.

John A. Krings
District President

ATTEST:

Larry Davis
District Clerk

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