



MINUTES

Wisconsin Rapids Board of Education  
**Educational Services Committee**

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Anne Lee, Chairperson  
John Benbow, Jr.  
Katie Bielski-Medina  
Larry Davis  
Sandra Hett  
Mary Rayome  
John Krings, President

March 5, 2018

LOCATION: Board of Education, 510 Peach Street, Wisconsin Rapids WI  
Conference Room A/B

TIME: Immediately following the Business Services Committee and Personnel Services  
Committee meetings, but not before 6:15 p.m.

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: John Benbow, Larry Davis, Katie Bielski-Medina, Sandra Hett, John  
Krings, Anne Lee, Mary Rayome

OTHERS PRESENT: Craig Broeren, Ryan Christianson, Matt Green, Amy Heitzman, Abigail Kreisa,  
Ginger Marten, Jeanne Olson, Kathi Stebbins-Hintz, Julie Stoffel, Amy Ulrich

I. Call to Order

Anne Lee called the meeting to order at 6:18 p.m.

II. Public Comment

There was no public comment.

III. Actionable Items

A. Music Curriculum

Ms. Kathi Stebbins-Hintz, Director of Curriculum and Instruction, introduced Ms. Jeanne Olson, CII Sub-Committee Chairperson for Music, along with members of the Music Committee: Amy Heitzman, Abigail Kreisa, Ginger Marten, Jeanne Olson, Julie Stoffel, and Amy Ulrich. The group shared and explained the proposed music curriculum. Members of the department met with Wendy Barden, a music consultant with over 40 years of education and administrative experience, to help begin the process of developing the curriculum. To complete the curriculum, the group utilized state and national standards, as well as research on best practice in music. Essential questions, grade level benchmarks and assessments were shared. Ginger Marten facilitated a music lesson that Board members participated in.

**ES-1 Motion by John Krings, second by Sandra Hett to recommend adoption of the proposed music curriculum beginning with the 2018-19 school year.**

**Motion carried unanimously.**

B. CESA 5 Contract

Mr. Matt Green, Director of Pupil Services, and Ms. Stebbins-Hintz reviewed the CESA 5 contract for the 2018-19 school year. The majority of the expense is for the Wood County Alternative School and special education services. Craig Broeren, Superintendent, indicated he had reviewed the contract and didn't feel anything could be eliminated to save on expenses.

**ES-2 Motion by Larry Davis, second by Katie Bielski-Medina to recommend approval of the CESA 5 contract for the 2018-19 school year in the amount of \$274,400.79.**

**Motion carried unanimously.**

C. WRPS Virtual School

Mr. Ryan Christianson, Virtual School Principal, introduced a proposal that would have the District establish a new school entity in the Wisconsin Rapids Public Schools (WRPS) for the purpose of adjusting the organizational structure of the WRPS Virtual Program. Because of District restructuring beginning with the 2018-19 school year, it would be beneficial to have the District establish a single school entity to track the enrollment of all virtual students in grades 4K through grade 8. The name selected for the new entity will be shared with Board members after it is selected.

**ES-3 Motion by John Krings, second by Larry Davis, to recommend approval to have the District establish a single school entity to track the enrollment of all virtual students in grades 4K through grade 8. Students attending virtually in grades 9-12 would be enrolled and tracked at Lincoln High School.**

**Motion carried unanimously.**

IV. Updates

A. Post-Secondary Credit Options

Ms. Stebbins-Hintz explained that beginning in July of 2018, Youth Options and Course Options will no longer exist. She explained how the Early College Credit Program and Start College Now will replace these programs. Information is still being shared by DPI on changes for the programs. An update was also provided on the current number of students enrolled in course options.

V. Consent Agenda Items

- ES-1 Music Curriculum**
- ES-2 CESA 5 Contract**
- ES-3 WRPS Virtual School**

VI. Future Agenda Items/Information Requests

- Calendars: 2019-20, 2020-21, 2021-22 (April)
- Social Studies Curriculum (April)
- Music Acquisition (April)
- AP and ACT Graduate Report (April)
- District Professional Development Plan (April)
- Lincoln High School Schedule (April)
- Agenda Planners (May)

Anne Lee adjourned the meeting at 7:32 p.m.