



MINUTES

Wisconsin Rapids Board of Education
Educational Services Committee

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Larry Davis
Sandra Hett
Mary Rayome
John Krings, President

August 6, 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, Jr., Katie Bielski-Medina, Larry Davis, Sandra Hett,
John Krings, Anne Lee and Mary Rayome

OTHERS PRESENT: Ed Allison, Craig Broeren, Brian Oswell, Ronald Rasmussen, Eric Siler, Kathi
Stebbins-Hintz, Karli Tomsyck

I. Call to Order

Anne Lee called the meeting to order at 6:52 p.m.

II. Public Comment

There was no public comment.

III. Actionable Items

A. Co-Curricular Activities Code of Conduct

Ronald Rasmussen, Principal of Lincoln High School, reviewed and recommended changes to the Co-Curricular Activities Code of Conduct for Wisconsin Rapids Public Schools (WRPS) as set out in Attachment A. Following discussion by the Committee, additional changes were requested to be made in the document as follows:

- Page 2, Notice: Student Non-Discrimination and Anti Harassment – remove Director of Human Resources name; simply have complaints submitted to WRPS Director of Human Resources.
- Page 4, Category 2 – Competitive Activities – Power Lifting Club/Coed is not deleted.
- Page 6, III. Eligibility Rules – F. c. will be deleted.
- Page 6, III. Eligibility Rules, G. a. – add “Terms 1 & 2,” delete “Semester One.”

ES-1 Motion by John Benbow, second by Larry Davis, to approve the proposed changes to the Co-Curricular Activities Code of Conduct to begin with the 2018-19 school year as set out in Attachment A, including the additional changes requested by the Committee.

Motion carried unanimously.

B. Renaissance Learning contract for 2018-19

Kathi Stebbins-Hintz, Director of Curriculum and Instruction, stated that Renaissance Learning was wonderful to work with this year in renewing contracts for the 2018-19 school year. Discounts were given immediately and the quote is actually less than last year's. It was noted that Accelerated Reader will only be used at grade 5 this year as the District has been slowly eliminating its use at other grade levels. Accelerated Math will only be used for interventions.

ES-2 Motion by Katie Bielski-Medina, second by Larry Davis, to approve the contract with Renaissance Learning for the 2018-19 school year in the amount of \$33,602.46, to be paid for from curriculum funds.

Motion carried unanimously.

C. Education for Employment (E4E) Plan

Ms. Stebbins-Hintz introduced Eric Siler, CTE Coordinator and Karli Tomsyck, College, Career and Volunteer Coordinator, who updated the Committee on the WRPS E4E Plan. Mr. Siler indicated that the plan was last presented to the Board in 2012, and has since been updated to include the work the District is doing on Academic and Career Planning (ACP). The ACP was created by a committee of 25 members and was presented to the Board about a year ago. Ms. Tomsyck shared a slide presentation of the WRPS E4E plan. This will be added to the District's website as a tool for students and staff.

ES-3 Motion by Mary Rayome, second by John Krings, to approve the Education for Employment (E4E) Plan for Wisconsin Rapids Public Schools.

Motion carried unanimously.

IV. Updates

A. Seclusion and Restraint Annual Report

Ms. Stebbins-Hintz updated the Committee on incidences of seclusion and restraint from the 2017-18 school year, as noted in background materials.

B. Discussion on Board or Individual Board Member Support When Solicited in Election Campaigns

Mr. Craig Broeren, Superintendent, stated that in light of upcoming elections, it is relevant to have a timely conversation concerning political involvement and/or endorsement of particular candidates by members of the Board of Education. After some discussion, the Committee came to consensus on the fact that Board members should remain as nonpartisan as possible when representing the Board. However, individual Board members have every right to support candidates of their choosing when acting in an individual capacity and not as a representative of the Board.

Mr. Broeren stated that as a result of this discussion there will be modifications to Policies brought to the Committee in the future.

V. Consent Agenda Items

ES-1 Co-Curricular Activities Code of Conduct

ES-2 Renaissance Learning Contract for 2018-19

ES-3 Education for Employment (E4E) Plan

VI. Future Agenda Items/Information Requests

Agenda items are determined by the Committee Chair after consultation with appropriate administration depending upon other agenda items, presentation information, and agenda availability.

- Assessment Results: 2017-18 (September)
- Board Policy on the Early College Credit and Start College Now Programs (September)
- Federal Grants Update (September)
- Professional Development Report (September)
- Co-Curricular Activities Update (September)
- Teacher Supply Purchases (September)
- Mead Elementary Charter School Report (October)
- New Course Proposals – Explanation & Discussion (October)
- School & District Report Cards (October)

Anne Lee adjourned the meeting at 7:42 p.m.