



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

February 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: Ed Allison, Kent Anderson, Phil Bickelhaupt, Craig Broeren, Ryan
Christianson, Matt Green, Tina Miller, Bret Salscheider, Kathi Stebbins-Hintz,
Dan Weigand

I. Call to Order

Anne Lee called the meeting to order at 6:23 p.m.

II. Public Comment

There was no public comment.

III. Actionable Items

A. Boys and Girls Club of the Wisconsin Rapids Area (BGCWRA)

1. Update on Current Programs and Planning for the Future

Kent Anderson, Executive Director of BGCWRA, along with Bret Salscheider, CEO of South Wood County YMCA, updated the Committee on programming and future plans for the Boys and Girls Club and the YMCA at the mall location. They shared diagrams and a video of the proposed facilities. Both Mr. Anderson and Mr. Salscheider expressed interest in continuing to have a strong relationship with Wisconsin Rapids Public Schools (WRPS).

2. SPARK Program with Howe Elementary School

Mr. Anderson and Tina Miller, Principal at Howe Elementary School, explained the SPARK program. This program provides literacy support for students through a grant from Education Analytics, Inc. The grant is \$100,000 awarded to BGCWRA each year for three years. Approximately 80 students with the highest needs will be involved. A Literacy Coordinator who is a certified teacher will be hired, as well as a Family Engagement Coordinator and tutors.

3. Pitsch Facility Lease Agreement

Mr. Anderson requested that the Pitsch lease agreement for the BGCWRA be extended as a result of the construction schedule for their new facility and anticipated move date.

ES-1 Motion by John Benbow, second by Larry Davis to recommend extending the current lease agreement between BGCWRA and WRPS until May 31, 2020.

Motion carried unanimously.

B. WRPS Strategic Plan (2018-19)

Craig Broeren, Superintendent, explained and reviewed some of the updates to the Strategic Plan. He pointed out that two new objectives were added. Sandra Hett expressed concern about Objective 9, Task/Action 4.

ES-2 Motion by John Benbow, second by John Krings to recommend approval of the 2018-19 Wisconsin Rapids Public Schools' (WRPS) Strategic Plan.

Motion carried on a vote of 6 to 1. Sandra Hett voted no.

C. Job Description: Assistant Director of Curriculum and Instruction

Mr. Broeren explained that through the restructuring process and a review of current administrative staffing, it has been determined that moving back to an Assistant Director of Curriculum and Instruction would be most beneficial to the District.

ES-3 Motion by Larry Davis, second by Mary Rayome to approve the Assistant Director of Curriculum and Instruction job description, to be filled beginning with the 2018-19 school year.

Motion carried unanimously.

IV. Updates

A. Achievement Gap Reduction (AGR) Board Report

Ms. Stebbins-Hintz provided a hand-out with information on the AGR process and results of how schools are doing. Information reported was from various screeners administered at the beginning of the year, end of trimester 1, and mid-year.

B. Student Travel Update

Ms. Stebbins-Hintz shared that 12 orchestra students, chaperoned by Ginger Marten, Orchestra Teacher, will be attending the Dorian Orchestra Festival at Luther College in Minnesota on February 11 & 12.

Orchestra and choir students from Lincoln High School will be traveling to Minneapolis, Minnesota on March 10 to see *School of Rock*.

March 22 through 28, 43 students from Lincoln High School will be traveling to Orlando, Florida to participate in the Orlando Heritage Festival. After three performances the students will visit Universal Studios, Disney Parks, and Cocoa Beach.

V. Consent Agenda Items

ES-1 Pitsch Facility Lease Agreement with BGCWRA

ES-2 WRPS Strategic Plan

ES-3 Assistant Director of Curriculum and Instruction Job Description

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.

- Calendars (March)
- Social Studies Curriculum Update (March)
- Music Curriculum Update (March)
- Course Proposal: Lincoln Launch (March)
- Youth Options (March)
- AP and ACT Graduate Report: 2016-17 (March)
- District Professional Development Plan: 2018-19 (April)
- Agenda Planners (May)

Anne Lee adjourned the meeting at 7:34 p.m.