



Wisconsin Rapids Board of Education

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MINUTES

John A. Krings, President
John Benbow, Jr.
Larry Davis
Sandra K. Hett
Anne Lee
Katie Medina
Mary E. Rayome

April 8, 2019

REGULAR BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING

LOCATION: Thomas A. Lenk Educational Center, 510 Peach Street, Wisc. Rapids, WI 54494
Conf. Rm. A/B

TIME: 6:00 p.m.

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

BOARD MEMBERS EXCUSED: Larry Davis

ADMINISTRATION PRESENT: Craig Broeren, Daniel Weigand, Brian Oswald, Kathi Stebbins-Hintz, Steve Hepp, Elizabeth Severson, Tracy Ginter, William Oswald, Ronald Rasmussen

MEDIA PRESENT: Jesse Austin – River Cities Community Access

President John Krings called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

Pledge of Allegiance

Roll Call

Student Representative’s Report

Desiree Alu was absent due to illness.

Approval of Minutes

Motion by Mary Rayome, seconded by Katie Medina to approve regular Board of Education meeting minutes of March 11, 2019. Motion carried unanimously.

Comments from Citizens and Delegations

None.

Committee Reports

A. Business Services Committee – April 1, 2019. Report given by John Benbow.

Mr. Benbow shared that the Building Trades House Committee met on April 1, 2019 to discuss and decide on which of the four applications would be recommended for approval by the Board for the 2019-20 Lincoln High School Trades House project. Kurt and Kim Heuer’s application is being recommended for approval.

Mr. Benbow reviewed the following consent agenda items brought before the Board through the Business Services Committee, and asked if there were any motions to be held:

BS-1 Approval of a proposal to purchase a 3-year license of the Canvas Learning Management System from Instructure at a total cost of \$46,780.00, to be paid in three annual installments as described in the contract, with funding from the District Technology and Curriculum budgets.

- BS-2 Approval of a proposal to purchase 1,500 Bump Armor CB Slim Hard Shell cases, at a cost of \$28,314.31 to be funded from the 2019-20 District Technology budget and District Technology referendum budget.
- BS-3 Approval of the selection of the Lincoln High School Building Trades House Committee for construction of a home by the 2019-20 Lincoln Trades House class proposed by Kurt and Kim Heuer.
- BS-4 Approval of a proposal to purchase a Ford 10-passenger van at a cost of \$26,494.50 from Scaffidi Motors for transportation of special needs students.

Motion by John Benbow, seconded by Katie Medina to approve consent agenda items BS 1-4. Motion carried unanimously on a roll call vote.

Mr. Benbow provided updates and reports on:

- The Committee was updated on the purchase of District copy paper from Contract Paper Group, Inc.
- Elizabeth Severson, Director of Food Services, updated the Committee on a recent Food Service federal program review conducted by the Wisconsin Department of Public Instruction. *Mr. Benbow shared that the auditors commented on the excellent preparation by the District for the audit. Ms. Severson and her staff were commended by the Board of Education for the audit's favorable review and their work.*

Motion by John Benbow, seconded by Katie Medina to approve the balance of the Business Services Committee report and minutes of the regular April 1, 2019 meeting, and minutes of the Business Trades Home Selection Committee meeting of April 1, 2019. Motion carried unanimously.

B. Personnel Services Committee – April 1, 2019. Report given by Sandra Hett.

Ms. Hett reviewed the following consent agenda items brought before the Board through the Personnel Services Committee, and asked if there were any motions to be held:

- PS-1 Approval of the Project Search custodian helper position.
- PS-2 Approval of the professional staff appointments for the 2019-2020 school year of Leah Stubb (Teacher – WRAMS), Kaitlin Handel (Teacher – WRAMS), and Emma Schunk (Teacher – WRAMS).
- PS-3 Approval of the support staff appointments of Cheryl Perl (Noon Duty Aide – Woodside) and Sadie Rucker (Cleaner – District).
- PS-4 Approval of the support staff resignations of Kimberly Robison (Noon Duty Aide – Woodside) and Brenda Spencer (Secretary – River Cities High School).
- PS-5 Approval of the support staff early retirement of LeeAnn Tack (Special Education Aide – Woodside).
- PS-6 Approval of Board Policy 447.11 – Use of Seclusion and Physical Restraint with Students, second reading.
- PS-7 Approval of Board Policy 447.11 Exhibit – Form for Notification and Reporting of Physical Restraint and/or Seclusion, second reading.
- PS-8 Approval of Board Policy 447.1 – Physical Force and Corporal Punishment, second reading.

Motion by Sandra Hett, seconded by Mary Rayome to approve consent agenda items PS 1-8. Motion carried unanimously.

Ms. Hett provided updates and reports on:

- The Committee was provided an update on the 2019-20 professional staff hiring process.

Motion by Sandra Hett, seconded by Mary Rayome to approve the balance of the Personnel Services Committee report and minutes of the April 1, 2019 meeting. Motion carried unanimously.

C. Educational Services Committee – April 1, 2019. Report given by Anne Lee.

Ms. Lee reviewed the following consent agenda items brought before the Board through the Educational Services Committee, and asked if there were any motions to be held:

- ES-1 Approval of the implementation of LEAP 2.0 at Lincoln High School beginning with the 2019-20 school year.
- ES-2 Approval to adopt the proposed Business & Marketing curriculum beginning with the 2019-20 school year, to adopt the proposed Information Technology curriculum beginning with the 2019-20 school year, and to adopt proposed Health Sciences curriculum beginning with the 2019-20 school year.
- ES-3 Approval of recommended changes to the Supplemental Pay Plan set out in Attachment F.
- ES-4 Approval of the 14 applications to participate in the nine requested courses at Mid-State Technical College through the Start College Now (SCN) program in the fall of the 2019-20 school year.
- ES-5 Approval of the one application to participate in the one requested course at UW-Waukesha through the Early College Credit Program (ECCP) in the fall of the 2019-20 school year.

Motion by Anne Lee, seconded by Mary Rayome to approve consent agenda items ES 1-5. Motion carried unanimously.

Ms. Lee provided updates and reports on:

- The Committee was updated on professional staff absence data for the 2016-17, 2017-18, and 2018-19 school years. Superintendent Broeren shared similar information concerning administrator absences.

Motion by Anne Lee, seconded by John Benbow to approve the balance of the Educational Services Committee report and minutes of the April 1, 2019, Educational Services Committee meeting. Motion carried unanimously.

Agenda Referrals/Information Requests

None.

Legislative Agenda

John Benbow shared the following information:

- Appreciation was extended to Anne Lee for her many years of service on the Board, as well as a warm welcome to incoming Board member Troy Bier, who will assume his role on the Board at the reorganization meeting scheduled for April 22, 2019.
- Multiple school district referendums passed on the Spring election ballot. *Wheeler Report* indicated a passage rate of 85% with twenty-six referendums to issue debt, seven to exceed the revenue cap on a recurring basis, and twenty-six to exceed the revenue cap on a non-recurring basis.
- The Wisconsin Association of School Boards (WASB) Advocacy and Government Relations Services group continues its work to represent schools, and their 2019 WASB Legislative Agenda includes the following items they plan to advocate for: 1) Local School Board Authority, including local control of school district referenda and opposing unfunded state mandates; 2) Necessary Resources for Public Schools, including providing predictable increases in available school district revenues to at least match inflationary increases in school costs, providing annual adjustments to per pupil resources linked to inflation, supporting increasing special education categorical aid to reimburse at least 33 percent of prior year eligible costs, and supporting recommendations of the Blue Ribbon Commission on School Funding that align with WASB resolutions; 3) Student Mental Health/School Safety, including supporting efforts and funding to permit schools to provide for school-based mental health programs and address mental health professional shortages; and 4) Implementing Recommendations in the “No Time to Lose” Report issued by the National Conference of State Legislatures (NCSL) in connection with the Blue Ribbon Commission on School Funding.
- WASB has provided a resource document containing all provisions in the state budget, sorted by issue or topic, and containing WASB’s position on each. Board members are encouraged to consider testifying at upcoming state Joint Finance Committee budget hearings which have been scheduled at various times and locations throughout the state. Resources to prepare for the hearings can be found on the WASB website.

Bills

Motion by Mary Rayome, seconded by John Benbow to note March, 2019 receipts in the amount of \$12,022,550.71 and approve March, 2019 disbursements in the amount of \$3,303,957.17. Motion carried unanimously on a roll call vote.

New Business

Employee Appointment, Resignation, and Retirement Requests

Mr. Oswald presented the following professional staff appointment requests for approval for the 2019-20 school year:

Laura Cronan	Location:	WRAMS
	Position:	Teacher (.67 FTE)
	Education:	UW-Stout – December, 1996
	Major/Minor:	Home Economics Education
	Salary:	\$29,125.00

Rachel Carrasquillo	Location:	WRAMS
	Position:	Teacher (1.0 FTE)
	Education:	Cardinal Stritch – May, 2010
	Major/Minor:	Regular and Special Education
	Salary:	\$42,000.00

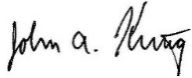
Motion by Mary Rayome, seconded by John Benbow to approve of the proposed appointments of Laura Cronan and Rachel Carrasquillo. Motion carried unanimously.

President Krings took a moment to thank Anne Lee for her service on the Board. Ms. Lee’s family were present to celebrate her Board service and years of dedication to education.

Calendar

Calendar items were reviewed.

President Krings adjourned the meeting at 6:25 p.m.



John A. Krings – President

Maurine Hodgson – Secretary

Larry Davis – Clerk