



MINUTES

Wisconsin Rapids Board of Education
Educational Services Committee

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Mary Rayome
John Krings, President

July 6, 2015

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., Larry Davis, Sandra Hett, John Krings,
Anne Lee and Mary Rayome

BOARD MEMBER ABSENT: Katie Bielski-Medina

OTHERS PRESENT: Phil Bickelhaupt, Ryan Christianson, Colleen Dickmann, Scott Kellogg,
Matt Renwick

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. Spotlight School Grant – Howe Elementary School

Matt Renwick, Principal of Howe Elementary School, explained Howe Elementary School's eligibility for the Spotlight Schools Grant, in an amount up to \$25,000. Eligibility requirements include receiving the School of Recognition (SOR) at least three years in a row, and last year was Howe's seventh year. It was noted that Howe is the only CESA 5 school that is a Spotlight School. Scott Kellogg, former principal of Howe was also in attendance. Mr. Renwick and Mr. Kellogg reviewed the history of Howe being a SOR, what the grant monies are used for, and the expectations of receiving this grant.

ES-1 Motion by John Benbow, second by Mary Rayome, to approve the Spotlight School Grant for Howe Elementary School in the amount of \$25,000.

Motion carried unanimously.

IV. Updates

A. 1-to-1 Technology Initiative

Phil Bickelhaupt, Director of Instructional Technology, shared a presentation that helped explain the 1-to-1 Technology Initiative. This initiative refers to schools providing each student an electronic device. He reviewed the advantages and disadvantages of this as well as how it differs from "bring your own device."

Next steps include surveying stakeholders, identifying areas currently using technology, defining current needs and gaps, evaluating IT infrastructure, developing a plan for sustainability, identifying what curriculum needs that will drive device selection, and discussing professional development. It will be important that staff know what expectations there will be if the district moves towards this initiative.

V. Consent Agenda Items

ES-1 Spotlight School Grant

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.

- Academic and Career Planning (ACP) (August)
- Wisconsin Student Assessment System (WSAS) Results (August)
- Grade Advancement Policies (September)
- 6-9 Scheduling Committee Update (September)
- Elementary and Secondary Education Act Grants Update (September)
- WRPS Professional Development Document (October)
- Elementary Health Acquisition (October)

Anne Lee adjourned the meeting at 7:43 p.m.