

WILLIAMS BAY SCHOOL
BOARD OF EDUCATION
REGULAR SCHOOL BOARD MEETING
Monday, February 10, 2020

Board Members Present: K. Granberg J. Lothian, K. Nelson, D. Ripple,

Absent: D. Woss

Administration Present: District Administrator Dr. W. Anderson
Middle/High School Principal Dr. W. White
Elementary Principal A. Bond
Director of Special Education K. McOmber
Business Manager B. Prather

Guests: 10

I. CALL TO ORDER

President J. Lothian called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm. The Pledge of Allegiance was said.

II. COMMUNICATION AND PUBLIC COMMENTS

A. Public Comments

None

III. REPORTS

- A. Student Representatives – Emily Schultz spoke regarding two new rule changes that went into effect in the middle/high school at the beginning of the new semester. The two new rules are that students in honors study hall located in the commons are no longer allowed to use cell phones and students are only allowed three passes per class per semester. E. Schultz said that the students are not too happy about the rule changes and are looking forward to speaking to Administration regarding the changes. Vanessa Hernandez spoke about the Block Scheduling trial that is happening this week on Tuesday and Wednesday. She also reported that Snowball Week was held the last week in January and organized by the Sophomore class. V. Hernandez also spoke about the exchange students that were hosted from Costa Rica. The Costa Rican students were paired up with Williams Bay students for the day. Her main take-a-way was the differences in cultures between the student groups.
- B. Parent-Teacher Organization – Jessica Sylfest said that Parents Night Out (PNO) was a huge success and that there was an increase in revenue. The next event that the PTO is working on is the Fun Fair that will be held on Friday, March 13, 2020. The group is looking to invite a balloon artist, a face painter and DJ, as well as adding a 9 Square in The Air pick up tournament. The PTO is continuing to work with the Middle/High school in terms of meeting needs that they may have. At their next meeting, Thursday, February 13, they will be voting on a contribution to the walking path initiative.
- C. Athletic Boosters – None
- D. Athletic Director – Athletic Director Mike Coolidge reported on progress made on the potential hockey cooperative that is in the works with the Milton School District. The cooperative is currently being looked at by the Milton School Board and would possibly include Milton, Williams Bay, Big Foot and Evansville. The team would skate in Janesville. Our district currently has two kids interested in

playing hockey and there are potentially six more that could be interested in the next three years. Cooperative agreements are usually two-year agreements.

- E. Fine Arts/Music Boosters – None
- F. District Administrator – Dr. Anderson shared with the board that he attended that State Education Convention in Milwaukee in January. He attended three presentations on compensation and also one regarding equity in education. He also reported that he recently attended a legislative update and reported that his main take-a-way was that the Governor and the Legislature are not currently working well together.
- G. Middle/High School Principal – Dr. White updated the Board regarding the High School Principal hiring process. The first-round interviews were held on Thursday, February 6. Seven candidates were interviewed. The interview committee was comprised of approximately 13 parents, students and staff members. There was also a group of 10 students that also interviewed the candidates. The groups narrowed the candidates to two and second interviews are being held February 11 and 12.
- H. Elementary Principal – A. Bond reported that she met with James Loveless from James Loveless at Large, INC to discuss the walking path. Phase one of the path will be about a quarter mile long and extend from the existing sidewalk. A. Bond is contacting the Village to see what paperwork is needed and the project will start as soon as the ground is dry. She also spoke to the Board about the Ross Greene training that her and eight staff members went to. The training revolved around those students who have challenging behaviors. When the staff returned, as a large group, they chose three students to try implementing what they learned. The process is new to the staff and really complex.
- I. K. McOmber advised that her notes were as written. She also reported about the therapy dog that came to school during the week of finals. The feedback from students and staff was that it was a very positive activity. E. Schultz added that she felt that the students liked it and it was a good break.
- J. School Board – President J. Lothian reported that the Delegate Assembly at the State Education Convention approved everything but the ban on Native American mascots. At the convention, he also attended a session on school boards working in a positive manner and would like that to be a topic at the next board work session.

IV. ACTION ITEMS

- A. Approval of Consent Agenda
 - 1. School Board Minutes
 - Approve the minutes of the Regular School Board meeting held on January 13, 2020.
 - 2. Bills Payable
 - Approve bills payable for January 2020, Funds 10, 27 and 50 check numbers 71144-71299 Fund 60 check numbers 6623-6641 for a total of \$851,095.50.
- K. Granberg / K. Nelson motion and second to approve the consent agenda as presented, carried 4-0.
- B. Personnel Transactions
 - K. Granberg/D. Ripple motioned and second to approve the personnel transactions listed on the February 10, 2020 personnel transaction sheet, carried 4-0.

C. Approve Intergovernmental Agreement on Operation of the Westosha Athletic Conference

K. Granberg/K. Nelson motion and second to approve the 66.03 agreement as present for membership into the Middle School Westosha Athletic Conference, carried 4-0.

D. Approve 2020-2021 Compensation Proposal.

D. Ripple/K. Nelson motion and second to approve the 2020-2021 Compensation Proposal as presented carried, 3-0, J. Lothian abstained.

E. Approve Policy #751.3 – Use of Private Vehicles

D. Ripple/K. Granberg motion and second to approve Policy #751.3 – Use of Private Vehicles as presented, carried 4-0.

V. DISCUSSION ITEMS

A. Discuss Outside Middle/High School Repairs

Ryan Quinn, Director of Buildings and Grounds spoke to the Board regarding some outside repair work that he would like to have done on the exterior of the Middle/High School this spring and summer. There are two areas of the building that need re-pointing and tuck pointing, including the front of the building near the entrances and near the high school gym. These repairs are maintenance items that have not been completed in quite a few years. R. Quinn gathered recommendations from fellow facilities managers in the area and has narrowed the vendor search two. The first one is Holton Brothers Inc, which was the most highly recommended vendor. Their price was \$50,760. The second vendor is Masonry Restoration and their price was \$46,818. The cost of these repairs are not outside of maintenance's usual budget and observing the cost in repairs and upgrades that the district has made in the past few years, this cost is not outside what normally is invested yearly in buildings and grounds. Depending on any emergencies that may arise, the District may also have money within the current year's budget that could be used towards the project, cutting the cost in next year's budget.

B. Discuss Policy #342.4 – Title 1 Program for Disadvantaged Students

In reviewing our policies, it was discovered that we need to update Policy #342.4 because we now use Title 1 funds to support both Math and Literacy. The revised policy simply adds the word "literacy." This will be on March's agenda as an action item.

VI. PUBLIC COMMENTS

Jessica Sylfest addressed the board regarding an email that she had sent earlier in the day. The board acknowledged receipt.

VII. ADJOURN

At 7:35 pm., K. Granberg/D. Ripple motion and second to adjourn the meeting, carried 4-0.

Karolyn Nelson, Clerk
ds: 02/11/2020