

WILLIAMS BAY SCHOOL
BOARD OF EDUCATION
SCHOOL BOARD MEETING
Saturday, April 17, 2021

Board Members Present: Jack Lothian, Dianna Woss, Dave Ripple, Karolyn Nelson, and Dr. Patrick Peyer

Administration Present: District Administrator Dr. William White; Business Manager Ben Prather; Special Education Director, Kassie McOmer; Elementary Principal, Ali Bond; Middle/High School Principal, Brent Mansky.

Guests: Ed Nichols

I. CALL TO ORDER

Jack Lothian called the meeting to order at 8:00 a.m. The Pledge of Allegiance was said by all in attendance. Mr. Lothian then had everyone introduce themselves to Mr. Nichols who will be joining the board as a newly elected member.

II. ACTION ITEMS

A. Approve Personnel Transactions

K. Nelson/ P. Peyer motioned and second to approve the personnel transactions listed on the April 17, 2021 personnel transaction sheet, carried 5-0.

III. DISCUSSION ITEMS

A. Discuss Goal One of the Strategic Plan

Dr. White prefaced the discussion, indicating that the building principals would be highlighting what they had accomplished this year in relationship to goal one, followed by the work have planned for next year regarding the Continuous Improvement (CI) model. He highlighted some of the items he would like the board and administrative team to focus on next year.

Mrs. Bond highlighted the work her team has done with the Continuous Improvement model at the elementary level. She shared that they will focus on common formative assessments and literacy next at the elementary level. Math pilot will be implemented, along with word study. All eight components of CI will be required.

Mr. Mansky discussed the technology integration at the MS/HS, improvements with tech apps and programs, emphasizing a “sales pitch” for your class, community building/team building, mental health, student leadership meetings/giving students a voice, and intervention programs. Going forward, the focus will also be on learning targets and how teachers grade on those targets. College and Career Readiness standards will be addressed, and a cohort has been joined to continue working on these standards.

Ms. McOmer emphasized the work of special education staff and their work with continuous improvement. She also shared her work with staff and student mental health.

The board members asked questions to develop an understanding of the work and efforts of the schools. There was also a discussion of technology that was implemented due to COVID-19 and what would continue to be utilized in the future.

Dr. White highlighted the following items from the Strategic Plan that he intends for the Board and administrative team to work on during the 2021-2022 school year. Those items included:

- ❖ Participation in the Wisconsin Threat Assessment Research grant.
- ❖ Participation in the 2021-2022 College and Career Readiness (CCR) Cohort and increasing parent, student, and staff knowledge of CCR criteria.
- ❖ Exploring a partnership with Yerkes Future Foundation and researching how to establish a possible charter school.
- ❖ Implementing PIE courses and other college credit opportunities for high school students.
- ❖ Researching steps for potentially creating a 3K program and implementing a full day 4K program.

B. Discussion of Board Reorganization

The Board members discussed the reorganization process. They shared what positions on the Board interested them and what committees on which they would potentially like to serve.

C. Discussion of COVID-19 Updates

Dr. White shared information regarding recent cases and quarantines in the District. He indicated that numbers in Walworth County had shown some increase, especially in younger people. Dr. White shared feedback he had received from families regarding masks and indicated he would be recommending to the Board that the

current guidelines and protocols be kept in place for the remainder of the school year. He shared concerns that he received from a parent regarding travel and he also shared updated CDC guidelines on social distancing. Dr. White shared information regarding upcoming school events that included graduation, concerts, and the Memorial Day parade. Discussion followed, included what to do with the current plans and guidelines after June 4th.

IV. CONSIDERATION TO ADJOURN INTO CLOSED SESSION

- A. Adjourn to closed session under Sections 19.85 (1) (c) Personnel to discuss administrative contracts. K. Nelson/D. Woss motioned and second to adjourn into closed session by a roll call vote: J. Lothian, aye; K. Nelson, aye; P. Peyer, aye; D. Ripple, aye; D. Woss, aye, carried 5-0. The board moved to close session at 9:55 a.m.

The board discussed administrative contracts.

At 11:01 a.m., P. Peyer / D. Woss motion and second to reconvene into open session by roll call vote: J. Lothian, aye; K. Nelson, aye; P. Peyer, aye; D. Ripple, aye; D. Woss, aye, carried 5-0.

- V. At 11:01 a.m. Dr. Patrick Peyer made a motion, seconded by Dianna Woss to adjourn, motion carried 5-0.

Karolyn Nelson, Clerk
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