

PORT EDWARDS PUBLIC SCHOOLS
Business Meeting of the Board of Education

5:00 p.m., Wednesday, October 9, 2019 – Elementary IMC, Fifth Street, Port Edwards, WI

Minutes

Meeting called to order by President John Daven at 5:00 p.m.

Roll Call

PRESENT: John Daven, Leo Thomasgard, Kathy McGrath, Cary Hildebrandt, Ben Martinson

ABSENT: None

ALSO PRESENT: Kyle Cronan, Superintendent, Donna Shroda, 7-12 Principal

OTHERS PRESENT: None

1. Consider Approval of Agenda

Motion by McGrath, second by Thomasgard to approve the agenda as posted. Voting yes – all. Motion carried.

2. Consideration of motion to adjourn into closed session pursuant to Wisconsin Statute:

19.85(1)(c) for the purpose of considering employment, promotion, compensation or performance evaluation data of any public employee over which the governmental body has jurisdiction or exercises responsibility.

A. Consider Approval of Past Executive Session Minutes – September 18, 2019

B. Discuss Professional Staffing

Motion by Hildebrandt, second by Thomasgard to adjourn into closed session. Voting yes – Daven, Thomasgard, McGrath, Thomasgard, Hildebrandt, Martinson. Motion carried.

3. Adjourn Executive Session and Reconvene into Open Session pursuant to section 19.86 of the Wisconsin Statutes.

Motion by Hildebrandt, second by McGrath to adjourn the executive session and reconvene into open session. Voting yes – all. Motion carried.

PRESENT: John Daven, Leo Thomasgard, Kathy McGrath, Cary Hildebrandt, Ben Martinson

ABSENT: None

ALSO PRESENT: Kyle Cronan, Superintendent, Lisa Miller, Business Director

OTHERS PRESENT: Donna Shroda, 7-12 Principal, Jennifer Moore, Max Ayres, Steve Birno

4. Report from Student Representatives & Student Recognition

Student Council members, Amber Schulz, Cheng Vang, Sheng Vang and Megan Shields reported on the current JEHS activities. Student Council members reported on homecoming activities; days of the week, powder buff and powder puff, games during Blackhawk, all activities went well. Parent-teacher conferences will take place next week and the Fall Festival will be on the 18th and Student Council members will help. The Current Issues class is planning an All Class reunion to celebrate the 100th year of the Dorothy Alexander Auditorium. The class has sold 5 adirondack chairs, is currently working on the mural on the wall and putting a tab on the website for the celebration of the 100th year celebration of the auditorium.

5. President's Report

A. Board Member Attendance

President Daven reported that board members Daven, Thomasgard, McGrath, Hildebrandt and Martinson were all present.

B. Next Board Meeting

President Daven reported that the next business meeting of the Board of Education will be held on November 13, 2019.

6. Administrative Reports

A. Report on Curriculum and Enrollment – Superintendent Cronan

Superintendent Cronan reported that the district continues to work on the curriculum update. During the most recent in-service, 3rd grade through 9th grade English/Language Arts teachers and a group of Science teachers worked with curriculum specialists from CESA 5. They will continue to work together and will have a recommendation by April. Superintendent Cronan stated that the final third Friday enrollment number is 473. Our district has had the highest enrollment increase in the area, 29% increase over four years. However, we predicted flat enrollment for this year, the increase means an increase in revenue.

B. Report on School Safety and Staff Recognition – Principal Shroda

Principal Shroda reported that the middle/high school had their first fire drill of the year. Police Chief Drew and Officer Abbott ran the bus evacuation drill and both drills were successful. Ms. Shroda also reported on a letter she received from a football official regarding the professionalism of middle school football coaches Lee Wyngaard and Mike Martinson. The official expressed how impressed he was with sportsmanship of the athletes and their knowledge of the game. He stated that the athletes thanked the officials and said that these boys were being taught invaluable life lessons and he wanted to be sure the team and coaches were being commended.

7. Questions and Comments from People in Attendance

None

CONSENT AGENDA:

8. Consider Approval of Minutes of Past Meeting – September 18, 2019
Motion by McGrath, second by Martinson to approve the minutes of the past meeting. Voting yes – all. Motion carried.
9. Consider Approval of Financial Reports
 - A. Check SummariesSeptember 1-30, 2019
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 - B. District Revenue ReportSeptember 1-30, 2019
 - C. District Expenditures Report.....September 1-30, 2019
 - D. Cash Receipt Summary.....September 1-30, 2019
 - E. September Cash Balance Report
 - F. September Fund 60 Activity Accounts Report
 - G. September Substitutes Report
 - H. Budget Revision
 - I. Consider Approval of Gifts

Business Director Miller reported that following gifts were received:

Ginnie Oliver – Large supply of school supplies for the elementary students.

Cassie & Dustin Owens – 10 fluorescent light film covers for the elementary school hallway.

Motion by Hildebrandt, second by Thomasgard to approve the financial reports as presented. Voting yes – all. Motion carried.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

10. None

NEW BUSINESS:

11. Consider Approval of MS Boys Basketball Coach – David Lyp
Motion by McGrath, second by Hildebrandt to approve MS Boys Basketball Coach David Lyp. Voting yes – all. Motion carried.
12. Review of Elementary School Violence Drill
Motion by Hildebrandt, second by Martinson to approve the Review of the Elementary School Violence Drill. Voting yes – all.
Motion carried.
13. Consider Approval of Start College Now Applications
Motion by McGrath, second by Hildebrandt to approve the Start College Now Applications as presented. Voting yes – all. Motion carried.
14. Designate State Education Convention Board Delegate
John Daven designated as the Delegate to the State Education Convention Board.
15. Opportunity for Individual Board Member Comment
Martinson – Reminded parents to keep school safety in mind with bad weather and asked parents to be sure to stay involved.
Hildebrandt – Praised the Student Council students for their report this evening.
Thomasgard – Stated how impressed he is with the caliber of students our district continually produces.
McGrath – Commented that she has had 12 preschoolers for story time and she appreciates Paula Bassuener for her help, as well as Pam Sorbo for getting it started.
Daven – Viewers and community members, know that the board is here to listen and help with any concern you may have. Please contact us.
16. Establish Future Board Meetings
Monday, October 28, 2019, Budget Hearing and Annual Meeting, 6:00 p.m. – Elementary IMC
Wednesday, November 13, 2019, Executive Session at 5:00 (if needed); Business Meeting at 5:30 p.m. – Elementary IMC
Wednesday, December 11, 2019, Executive Session at 5:00 (if needed); Business Meeting at 5:30 p.m. – Elementary IMC
17. Call for Adjournment
Motion by McGrath, second by Hildebrandt to adjourn the meeting. Voting yes – Daven, Thomasgard, McGrath, Hildebrandt, Martinson. Motion carried.
Meeting adjourned at 6:16 p.m.