

PORT EDWARDS PUBLIC SCHOOLS
Public Hearing Notice and
Business Meeting of the Board of Education

Wednesday, April 8, 2020

5:15p.m. to 5:30p.m. - Public Hearing on Board Request for Waiver of Instructional Hours and Educator Effectiveness
5:30 p.m.- Business Meeting of the Board of Education
Dorothy Alexander Auditorium, 801 2nd St., Port Edwards, WI 54469

(Note to public: please enter the Dorothy Alexander Auditorium at 2nd St. entrance and during both the Public Hearing and Board Meeting maintain social distancing recommendations from the Wisconsin Department of Health Services)

Public may view the PESD Board of Education meeting either live by going to <https://youtu.be/uzWRFLV1YM>
or by visiting <https://www.wr-cm.org/> to view the recorded version at a later date.

PUBLIC HEARING MINUTES

Public Hearing called to order by President John Daven at 5:17 p.m.

1. A public hearing will commence for the purpose of obtaining public input on possible Board action to seek a waiver under state statute 118.38 (1) (b) regarding:
 - a. *Waiver of the requirements of Wis. Stat. § 121.02(1)(f) and the administrative rules promulgated by the department regarding required instructional hours for students for the 2019-2020 school year only due to the COVID-19 public health emergency.*
 - b. *Waiver of the requirements to complete an Educator Effectiveness Cycle for educators in their Summary Year in 2019-20, including waivers of the requirements to meet PI 8.01 and Wis. Stat. §§ 115.415 and 121.02(1)(q) for the 2019-20 school year only due to the COVID-19 public health emergency.*
2. Public comment period – members of public who wish to comment on the proposed waivers may do so. Individuals should not expect to engage in discussion with members of the Board of Education. Each person will be allowed 2 minutes to make a statement with a maximum of 15 minutes total for this comment period.
No Public Comments
3. Review of any comments sent via email – public comments will be accepted at comments@pesd.k12.wi.us until 5:00 p.m. on Wednesday, April 8, 2020
No Public Comments Via Email
4. Adjournment of public comment period – President John Daven

MINUTES

Meeting called to order by President John Daven at 5:30 p.m.

Roll Call (Board Policy 0167.1 – Voting allows for Board members to attend and vote by telephone or other manner of remote access)

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

ABSENT: None

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

1. Consider Approval of Agenda

Motion by Hildebrandt, second by Thomasgard to approve the agenda as posted.

2. President's Report

A. Board Member Attendance

President Daven reported that all board members were in attendance. Daven, Hildebrandt and Martinson attended meeting in person. Thomasgard and McGrath participated remotely.

B. Next Board Meeting

President Daven reported that the next business meeting of the Board of Education will be held May 13, 2020.

C. Legislative Update

No report

3 Administrative Reports

A. School District COVID-19 Response – Superintendent Cronan

Superintendent Cronan reported on the current situation with regard to COVID-19. The school district has been closed for four weeks since the order was issued. Teachers and counselors are working from home and available to students 8 a.m. – 3 p.m. Final decisions on grading have not been made yet but looking to a pass/fail system. The paraprofessionals are assisting the teachers, especially in the special education area.

Maintenance continues to work in both buildings. Food Service has been extremely busy preparing and serving Grab 'N Go lunches to children in the district 18 years old and younger. Over 2100 meals were served over a course of five days. This

number is likely to increase. Next week, serving days will change from Monday through Friday to Monday, Tuesday and Thursday.

Superintendent Cronan stated that it appears that school year will conclude as is, which leaves the district with many questions. Superintendent Cronan stated that due to the closure, there will be changes in expenditures for the remainder of the year.

Superintendent Cronan is looking ahead to next year's budget, looking at multiple scenarios due to the uncertainty of the state budget.

CONSENT AGENDA:

4. Consider Approval of Minutes of Past Meeting – March 11, 2020

Motion by McGrath, second by Hildebrandt to approve the minutes of the past meeting. Voting yes – Daven, Thomasgard, McGrath, Hildebrandt, Martinson. Motion carried.

5. Consider Approval of Financial Reports

- A. Check Summaries..... March 1-31, 2020
#30327 – 30398 & 201900868 -201901106 & #1091 – \$445,809.32
- B. District Revenue Report..... March 1-31, 2020
- C. District Expenditures Report March 1-31, 2020
- D. March Cash Balance Report
- E. March Fund 60 Activity Accounts Report
- F. March Substitutes Report
- G. Budget Revisions
- H. Consider Approval of Gifts

Business Director Miller reported the following gifts/donations:

Bill & Connie Nieman/Nieman Photography – Desk

PE Athletic Booster Club - \$12,000 Towards Scoreboards

Ginny Oliver – Hand-Knit Winter Hats

Joslin Concrete - \$100 Math Day

Megan & Mathew Colemer - \$500 Math Day

Cary & Kelly Hildebrandt/Comfort Aire - \$400 Math Day

Raymond Weber - \$500 Library

Erco - \$2,500 Food Service

Wisconsin State Cranberry Growers Association – Dried Cranberries for Food Service

Area Cranberry Growers & Families: Ocean Spray Cranberry Juice for Food Service

Fey Printing – Artist Packs of Paper and Make-Your-Own Cards for Students

Anonymous - \$25 Families Helping Families

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

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

None

NEW BUSINESS:

6. Consider Approval of 2020-21 Certified Staffing Plan

Motion by Hildebrandt, second by Martinson to approve the 2020-21 Certified Staffing Plan. Voting yes – Daven, Thomasgard, McGrath, Hildebrandt, Martinson. Motion carried.

7. Consider Approval of a Resolution Authorizing District Administrator to make an application to the Department of Public Instruction a waiver of the following:

- a. Waiver of the requirements of Wis. Stat. § 121.02(1)(f) and the administrative rules promulgated by the department regarding required instructional hours for students for the 2019-2020 school year only due to the COVID-19 public health emergency.
- b. Waiver of the requirements to complete an Educator Effectiveness Cycle for educators in their Summary Year in 2019-20, including waivers of the requirements to meet PI 8.01 and Wis. Stat. §§ 115.415 and 121.02(1)(q) for the 2019-20 school year only due to the COVID-19 public health emergency.

Motion by McGrath, second by Thomasgard to approve the Resolution Authorizing District Administrator to make an application to the Department of Public Instruction a waiver of the above requirements. Voting yes – Daven, Thomasgard, McGrath, Hildebrandt, Martinson. Motion carried.

8. Consider Approval of Health Insurance Plan with Security Health for 2020-21

Motion by Martinson, second by Hildebrandt to approve the health insurance plan with Security Health for 2020-21. Voting yes – Daven, Thomasgard, McGrath, Hildebrandt, Martinson. Motion carried.

- 9. Consider Approval of Additional Cyber Insurance Coverage**
Motion by Martinson, second by McGrath to approve the additional Cyber Insurance Coverage. Voting yes – Daven, Thomasgard, McGrath, Hildebrandt, Martinson. Motion carried.
- 10. Consider Approval of a Motion to Temporarily Suspend Policy #0131.1 -- Bylaws and Policies, as allowed by this policy, the provision requiring that proposed amendments to policies appear at least on two successive Board agendas prior to adoption**
Motion by Hildebrandt, second by Daven to approve a motion to temporarily suspend policy #0131.1. Voting yes – Daven, Thomasgard, McGrath, Hildebrandt, Martinson. Motion carried.
- 11. Consider Approval of Amendment to Policy #0167.1 -- Voting, in order to allow future Board Meetings to be held remotely if necessary**
Motion by McGrath, second by Martinson to approve the amendment to policy #0167.01. Voting yes – Daven, Thomasgard, McGrath, Hildebrandt, Martinson. Motion carried.
- 12. Discussion on Remainder of 2019-20 Lamers Bus Contract**
Superintendent Cronan discussed the remainder of the 2019-20 Lamers Bus Contract with the members of the Board of Education.
- 13. Discussion of Co-Curricular Salaries for the Spring 2020 Athletic Season**
Superintendent Cronan discussed co-curricular salaries for the spring athletic season. Board members recommended discussion with the coaches as well as paying a percentage of the salary. WIAA has not ruled on spring sports season.
- 14. Designate Board Representative to CESA 5 Annual Representative Convention**
Motion by Martinson, second by Hildebrandt to designate John Daven as the board representative to the CESA 5 Annual Representative Convention. Voting yes – Daven, Thomasgard, McGrath, Hildebrandt, Martinson. Motion carried.
- 15. Opportunity for Individual Board Member Comment**
Martinson – Thanked all of the staff and parents for the great job they are doing during this time.
Hildebrandt – Expressed his appreciation for their work during this time.
McGrath – Credit to the entire staff for all of their hard work.
Thomasgard – Recognized all of the citizens that voted and those that worked the polls yesterday.
Daven – Commended the teachers and staff. Our main concern is for teachers to continue to teach and students to continue to learn and that is happening.
- 16. Establish Future Board Meetings**
Wednesday, May 13, 2020, Executive Session at 5:00 (if needed); Business Meeting at 5:30 p.m. – Elementary IMC
Wednesday, June 10, 2020, Executive Session at 5:00 (if needed); Business Meeting at 5:30 p.m. – Elementary IMC
- 17. Call for Adjournment**
Motion by Martinson, second by Hildebrandt to adjourn the meeting. Voting yes – Daven, Thomasgard, McGrath, Hildebrandt, Martinson. Motion carried.
Meeting adjourned at 6:28 p.m.

Note: Principal's reports sent electronically