

PORT EDWARDS PUBLIC SCHOOLS

Business Meeting of the Board of Education

5:00 p.m., Wednesday, November 11, 2020 – 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, Lisa Miller, Business Director

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, and 19.85 (1)(e) for the purpose of deliberating or negotiating the purchasing of public properties, the investing of public funds, or conducting other specified public business, whenever competitive or bargaining reasons require a closed session.

A. Consider Approval of Minutes of Past Executive Session – October 14, 2020

B. Discuss 2020-21 PEEA Negotiations

C. Discuss 2020-21 Support Staff, Administrative Support and Administrative Compensation

D. Discuss Supplemental Compensation

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

3. Adjourn Executive Session and Reconvene into Open Session to take any action deemed necessary from the Closed Session

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

5:30 p.m. – Business Meeting

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

ABSENT: None

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

OTHERS PRESENT: Cara Christy, Donna Shroda, Jennifer Moore, Maxwell Ayres, Marissa Rebischke

4. President's Report

A. Board Member Attendance

President Daven reported that board members Daven, Thomasgard, McGrath, Hildebrandt and Martinson were in attendance.

B. Next Board Meeting

President Daven reported that the next meeting of the Board of Education will be December 9, 2020.

C. Reading of DPI Proclamation in Recognition of National Principals Month

Vice President Thomasgard read the Proclamation in Recognition of National Principals Month.

5. Administrative Reports

A. Report on District Covid-19 Status and Maintenance Projects for 2020-2021 – Superintendent Cronan

Superintendent Cronan updated the board on the active Covid-19 cases. Superintendent Cronan also updated the board on the maintenance projects planned for this school year. Mr. Cronan stated that the following projects have been accomplished; roof work, middle school outdoor steps, ionizers are just about completely installed, working on a security and alarm system update, converted to all auto flushers and auto sinks, tree trimming and cutting on District property. Led lighting has been purchased for the elementary school and middle/high school to work on as time allows. Superintendent Cronan stated that we have purchased carpeting for Phase 2 at the elementary school, window resealing will be done this year, tuck pointing will be done in the spring. Other projects include, the middle/high school library, middle school hallway and art room flooring will be replaced. The library will have carpet tile and the middle school hallway and art room flooring will be a polished concrete. In food service, the District is planning to purchase a new walk-in cooler, air conditioning in the dish room and kitchen, and a new dishwasher.

*President Daven excused himself from the remainder of the meeting.

- B. Report on Virtual Parent/Teacher Conferences – Principal Christy
Principal Christy stated the virtual parent/teacher conferences were very successful. The flexibility made finding times to meet with parents much easier.
- C. Report on Transitioning to Virtual – Principal Shroda
Principal Shroda reported that students that are attending school virtually is going well. Principal Shroda stated that due to the number of students and staff out due to quarantine and/or positive cases it was decided to put all students, grades 5-12, virtual beginning November 9th. Depending on updated data, students and staff may return to in-person learning on November 30.

6. Questions and Comments from People in Attendance

None

CONSENT AGENDA:

7. Consider Approval of Minutes of Past Meeting – October 14, 2020, October 26, 2020

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

8. Consider Approval of Financial Reports

- A. Check Summaries..... October 1-31, 2020
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- B. District Revenues Report October 1-31, 2020
- C. District Expenditures Report October 1-31, 2020
- D. Cash Receipt Summary.....October 1-31, 2020
- E. October Cash Balance Report
- F. October Fund 60 Activity Accounts Report
- G. October Substitutes Report
- H. October Budget Revisions
- I. Consider Approval of Gifts

Business Director Miller reported the following gifts/donations:

- Jan Schraeder – Homemade facemasks
- Coenen Family – Thirty-two boxes of pencils
- Froelich Family – Two bags of art supplies
- Terry Lindholm – Homemade facemask for each elementary student and staff member

Motion by McGrath, second by Martinson to approve the financial report as presented. Voting yes – all. Motion carried.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

None

NEW BUSINESS:

9. Review of School Violence Drill - Elementary School

Principal Christy reviewed the process for the school violence drill at the elementary school. Officers Abbott and Mertes assisted in the drill.

10. Designate State Education Convention Board Delegate

Tabled to December Meeting

11. 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 McGrath, second by Martinson to suspend Policy #0131.1. Voting yes – all. Motion carried

12. Consider Approval of New Policy #8450.01 – Personal Protective Equipment During Pandemic/Epidemic Events

Motion by Thomasgard, second by McGrath to approve policy #8450.01 – Personal Protective Equipment During Pandemic/Epidemic Events. Voting yes – all. Motion carried.

13. Consider Approval of District Guidelines for Fan Attendance at Winter Athletic Events

Superintendent Cronan reviewed the guidelines for fan attendance at winter athletic events. Each athlete will be allowed 2 tickets.

Motion by McGrath, second by Martinson to approve the guidelines for fan attendance at winter athletic events. Voting yes – all. Motion carried.

14. Consider Approval of Continuing the PSED Reopening Plans Fall of 2020 for Grades 5-12 to Schedule Virtual Days on a Limited Number of Wednesdays Through the First Semester

Motion by Thomasgard, second by McGrath to approve continuing limited number of virtual Wednesdays through semester 1. Voting yes – all. Motion carried.

- 15. Consider Approval of Extension of Accumulated Vacation by 90 days for 12-Month and 11-Month Employees**
Motion by McGrath, second by Hildebrandt to approve the extension of accumulated vacation by 90 days for 12-month and 11-month employees. Voting yes – all. Motion carried.
- 16. Opportunity for Individual Board Member Comment**
McGrath – Thanked the students that raked for Make a Difference Day.
Martinson – Looking forward to having students back in school and getting school events back to normal.
Hildebrandt – Thanked administration and staff for all of the hard work to keep the District on track with middle/high school going virtual for a short time and keeping the elementary school in person.
Thomasgard – Thanked all for the hard work being put into this current situation, efforts are greatly appreciated.
- 17. Establish Future Board Meetings**
Wednesday, December 9, 2020, Closed Session at 5:00 (if needed); Business Meeting at 5:30 p.m. – Elementary IMC
Wednesday, January 13, 2020, Closed Session at 5:00 (if needed); Business Meeting at 5:30 p.m. – Elementary IMC
- 18. Conduct Initial Exchange of Proposals for 2020-21 Agreement Between the Port Edwards Board of Education and Port Edwards Education Association (PEEA) – following the initial exchange, the parties may caucus and/or go into closed session pursuant to sections 19.86 and 111.70(4)(cm)2, Wis. Stats. for the purpose of exchanging initial proposals with the Port Edwards Education Association for negotiations over a 2020-21 collective bargaining agreement covering total base wages for employees in the Port Edwards Education Association bargaining unit.**
Proposals exchanged between the Board of Education and the Port Edwards Education Association.
- 19. Negotiation Session and Reconvene into Open Session. Motion to return to open session. Roll call vote to return to open session.**
Motion by McGrath, second by Martinson to return open session. Voting yes – Thomasgard, McGrath, Hildebrandt, Martinson. Motion carried.
- 20. Discussion and Potential Action to Approve the 2020-21 Collective Bargaining Agreement Between the Port Edwards School District and the Port Edwards Education Association**
Motion by Hildebrandt, second by Martinson to approve the 2020-21 Collective Bargaining Agreement between the Port Edwards School District and the Port Edwards Education Association. Voting yes – all. Motion carried.
- 21. Consider Approval of 2020-21 Compensation Plans:**
- A. Support Staff
 - B. Administrative Support
 - C. Administration
 - D. Supplemental
- Motion by McGrath, second by Martinson to approve the 2020-21 compensation plans. Voting yes – all. Motion carried.
- 22. Call for Adjournment**
Motion by McGrath, second by Martinson to adjourn the meeting. Voting yes – Thomasgard, McGrath, Hildebrandt, Martinson. Motion carried.
Meeting adjourned at 6:50 p.m.