

Regular School Board Meeting
Tuesday, March 22, 2022 6:30 PM

District Office Board Meeting Room
1110 Park Street
Boscobel, WI 53805

Present: Todd Miller, Wendi Stitzer, Casey Updike, Kim Trumm, Kaye Woodke and Roger Knoble

Absent: Caleb Mueller

1. Call to Order- Proof of Public Notice- Todd Miller, Board President, called meeting to order at 6:29pm

2. Roll Call

3. Pledge of Allegiance and Moment of Silence

4. Approval of Agenda

5. Mark Ekiss- Memorial Proposal

Mark Ekiss a former teacher and coach for Boscobel presented the district with a \$1000 donation to erect a track memorial in the name of Travis Denner. Travis tragically lost his life in a car accident. Mark and his current team Wausau East Track and Field received \$1000 from the Green Bay Packers after hearing about Travis's death and his relationship with Mark and track. Mark chose to donate the money to Boscobel. A future memorial is in the planning.

6. Presentation of Valedictorian, Salutatorian, Academic Excellence Award Recipient and Technical Excellence Award Recipient

Abriana Brown presents to the board our Salutatorian Parker Steele. Parker son of Laura and Hans Steele plans to attend Roanoke College in Salem, Virginia, where he has accepted an offer to play Division 3 Men's Volleyball. Parker will be majoring in Marketing and Sports Management. Parker has played Boys' Volleyball through Madison Inferno Club for the past two years. Besides volleyball, Parker has participated in cross country and track. He has earned All-Conference Honors, Academic All-Conference Honors, and Academic All-State Honors. Parker's other school activities include Choir, Madrigal, Student Council, and Leo's Club. Parker was also inducted in the National Honor Society, and selected as a Badger Boy's State Representative and December Lion's Club Student of the Month.

Parker Steele presents to the board our Valedictorian Abriana Brown daughter of Kari and Scott Brown who has excelled in her extracurricular activities. Abri is a State Champion in Cross Country and Track and Field (4x800 meter relay). She is also the school record holder for the Girls Cross Country 5K. Abri has earned All-Conference Honors and Academic All-Conference Honors, along with Academic All-State Honors. Abri is a team captain and varsity starter for our girls' basketball team.

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Other activities that she is involved in include Leo's Club, Student Council, Choir, and Abri has been elected as the Class President each year of high school. Along with being inducted into our National Honor Society last year, Abri was selected as the Badger Girls State Representative for BHS. Abri was also honored as Lion's Club Student of the Month for October. Her future plans include to attend the University of Wisconsin-Madison, where she will take course that will allow her to obtain her undergraduate degree. Eventually, Abri plans to earn her doctorate to become a psychologist.

Technical Excellence Award Recipient Garrett Russell son of Angela and Chris Russell has done an amazing job throughout his high school career and will be going to Southwest Technical College for Electrical Power Distribution to become a lineman.

7. INFORMATION ITEMS

7.A) Administrative Reports

7.A)1) Special Education Report

Laurie Genz-Prein presents to the board information in regards to the Readiness Grant and what DPI will be looking for. The screening for ECH and 4K had a great turn out and they ended up screening approximately 42 children. At the MS/HS a student grocery store has been created to allow students to help themselves to food to prepare at home after school or on weekends.

7.A)2) Elementary Principal Report

Danelle presents information in regards to Forward Exam testing coming up for students after spring break. Paul Gasser is doing great working with students and staff. Hoping to implement the pyramid model in the future. Elementary raised over \$1100 for penny wars. Danelle attend the math webinar sponsored by CESA 3 to gain better understanding of the revised standards coming. She had the privilege to attend the Women Leading Wisconsin conference in Milwaukee with Sara Richter and Michelle Mueller. The theme was “Find Your Greatness Within” and they were able to spend time with Felicia Hatcher on our “genius jam”, a panel of females that hold impressive leadership positions. The theme was consistent with leading from within and how to find that greatness or genius to be the best leader you can be.

7.A)3) MS/HS Principal Report

Lisa presents on behalf of Wally advising the board he would like June 1st to become a full day due to finals.

7.A)4) Athletic Director Report

Robert Scherrer presents to the board information how Avery Brown will be attending UW-Platteville and signed letter of intent to run Cross Country and Track. Parker Steele signed with Roanoke College on the East coast and will compete on their Men’s Volleyball Team. In the next few weeks, Mrs. Lisa, Heather, and I plan to sit down to discuss the athletic budget moving forward. He believes we can cut some costs in certain areas.

7.A)5) Director of Facilities and Grounds Reports

Nate presents to the board that the city has reached out and would like to have a company come in and test the poles along with the cities. Thanked Jim Trumm and other custodians for working so hard and completing 220 work orders with an average time frame of 1.2 days. Advised, he has been working with Mike Krupke from Insight to build a turf management plan for all our ball fields and grounds. They currently have started preparing fields for spring sports.

7.A)6) District Administrator Report

Lisa presents to the board information on the Get Kids Ahead Initiative grant. All public school districts and independent charter schools are eligible, and each district will receive a per-pupil allocation ranging from the minimum award of \$10,000 to much higher awards for districts with large student populations. Students' mental health is declining, and the pandemic has heightened feelings of stress and anxiety. To provide students with mental health resources, Gov. Tony Evers announced his "Get Ahead" Initiative. The initiative slates \$15 million dollars for schools to provide mental health services. "Schools will be able to use these funds to provide direct mental health care, hire and support mental health navigators, provide mental health first aid and trauma-based care training," Evers said. Facility Advisory committee is still a work in progress. But, looking to set dates for the future meetings. Spring Rummage sale will be May 6th and 7th. Currently, working with the custodial staff, we would like to participate and get rid of several older pieces of furniture, outdated books, etc. We plan to set up the Annex parking lot as our sales area beginning on Thursday, May 5th. We are still in the planning stages of who will work during the rummage sales hours.

Ashley Dickman had sent a letter about how Mrs. Bohringer is great at going above and beyond for her students. She would like to express that our staff is doing an amazing job and keep up the great work.

8. **ACTION ITEMS - OLD BUSINESS**

8.A) Board Minutes for February 14th.

Motion by Knoble, second by Stitzer to approve February 14th board meeting minutes as presented. Motion carried.

8.B) Budget Reports

Motion by Stitzer, second by Trumm to approve budget reports as presented. Motion carried.

8.C) Revised Fund 46-Capital Improvement Plan

Motion by Woodke, second by Updike to approve FUND 46 Capital Improvement 10-year plan as presented. Motion carried.

8.D) Smith Rosenfeld and Upper 90 Presentation

Mario presents information in regards to proposed facility improvement measures for high school/middle school. They will be able to reuse the equipment that is currently in the facilities at this time. There will be issues with piping not being able to be in the ceiling. But, they will be able to bump out over top to cover the piping installed. Topography study showed their only recommendation would be to improve the drainage around the building. They did speak with the city to find out more information on the sewer piping system. They did not find any additional issues that they were not already aware of when using a camera to evaluate the sewer system.

Knoble asked, "Which sections will be replaced and will the piping going to the road be one to be redone?" They stated it is the one that is recommend to be replaced.

Steve from PRA, referenced to the bathrooms that we would like redone that the access needed to meet code. He is concerned on the amount of fixtures and locations. They would like to collaborate more to be able to accommodate needs. Advises we need to work out a plan best for the district. Mario suggests how we had discussed adding a restroom near the small gym. If we replace or fix the existing bathrooms they will be staying if referendum passes. Each district has a million dollar thresh hold they can borrow before having to present a referendum.

Motion by Updike, second by Stitzer to approve steam to hot water conversion and HVAC capital upgrade, HVAC building automation upgrade, drainage repair and sanitary pipe repair in addition bathroom update of main lobby and hallway flooring upgrades. Removal of domestic water piping replacement. Motion carried.

Motion by Miller, second by Trumm to authorize the administration to execute the Upper 90 Energy contract, pending legal review, for the projects as presented, using the funding sources as described.

Motion by Stitzer, second by Trumm to modify agenda to move 9. Community Comments - Policy 0167.3 - Public Comments at Board Meetings and 10.F) Spring Dual Sports before 8.E) Pandemic Protocols and Metrics. Motion carried.

8.E) Pandemic Protocols and Metrics

Motion by Updike, second by Miller to remove on Close Contacts & Quarantine on pandemic protocols and metrics- Asymptomatic close contacts do not have to quarantine at home but must mask for the full 10-day quarantine. Individuals with face mask exemptions may choose to wear a school-provided face shield during their quarantine (no exemptions or exceptions). Asymptomatic close contacts may participate in school-related activities and athletics (unless SWAL or WIAA are more restrictive with their close contact requirements or masking requirements), but these individuals must wear a face mask (or a school-provided face shield for those with mask exemptions) for the full 10-day quarantine (no exemptions or exceptions). People who had confirmed COVID-19 within the last 90 days do not need to quarantine, as per CDC guidance. Keep in Close Contacts & Quarantine on pandemic protocols and metrics to read- Symptomatic close contacts must quarantine until a negative test confirms symptoms

are not due to COVID. Close contacts who are symptomatic and don't choose to test will be treated as positive cases. Motion carried.

9. Community Comments - Policy 0167.3 - Public Comments at Board Meetings

9.A) Each statement made by a participant shall be limited to four (4) minutes duration.

9.B) The portion of the meeting during which the comment of the public is invited shall be limited to twenty (20) minutes, unless extended by a vote of the Board.

9.C) If you wish to speak during Community Comments via Zoom, you will need to have your full name listed along with your video on.

Hayden Schott asked that students get the opportunity to be able to participate in more than one sport and allow dual sports. He went into detail on his previous accomplishments while participating in sports.

Tyler Miller presents the board how he feels he should have the opportunity to wrestle and play basketball at the same time. He does not want to let all of his teammates down with either sport. He believes if more kids had the opportunity to be able to do dual sports that there would be more wrestlers and not as many matches for fitted.

Penny Grassel presents to the board we should keep in mind the possible difficulties for the students and coaches. Also, the possible issues of not being able to keep up with their daily school needs. Such as juggling 2 sports at the same time they will miss out on bonding time with other teammates. She explained in detail the nutritional issues the athletes may have with having the opportunity of dual sports. She also explains how it makes things difficult to practice when you don't always have all your athletes. Competitions will also be difficult as regionals and state competitions are the same days for spring sports.

10. **ACTION ITEMS - NEW BUSINESS**

10.A) AGR End of Semester School Board Review

Motion by Miller, second by Woodke to approve AGR End of Semester report as presented. Motion carried.

10.B) Hay Bids- Tabled

10.C) 403b Information- Tabled

10.D) Chromebook Purchases 2022-2023

Motion by Stitzer, second by Miller to get addend quote from Dependable for 215 Chromebooks without touch screen and 10 Chromebooks with touchscreen. Motion carried.

10.E) Wrestling Co-op Proposal

Motion by Updike, second by Stitzer to approve wrestling co-op with Wauzeka-Steuben School District. Motion carried.

10.E) Spring Dual Sports

Motion by Miller, second by Knoble to pilot only for spring sports with administration to work with coaches to create guidelines for dual sports. Motion carried.

10.G) Contracts

10.G)1) SWCAP Head Start Memorandum of Understanding

Motion by Woodke, second by Stitzer to approve SWCAP Head Start Memorandum of Understanding as presented. Trumm abstained. Motion carried.

10.G)2) Crossing Rivers Athletic Training

Motion by Updike, second by Woodke to approve contract with Crossing Rivers Athletic Training for the school year 2022-2023 school year through 2026-2027 school year as presented. Motion carried.

10.G)3) Gundersen Occupational Health Service Agreement

Motion by Woodke, second by Updike to approve Gundersen Occupational Health Service Agreement as presented. Stitzer abstained. Motion carried.

10.G)4) Audit

Motion by Knoble, second by Trumm to approve Johnson Block and Company, Inc. to continue performing our audit services for the next three years and maintain the fixed asset listing. Motion carried.

10.H) Board Policy Updates- Neola Recommendations Vol. 31, No. 1- 1st Reading

Motion by Miller, second by Woodke to approve first reading of the board policies based on Neola recommendations. Motion carried.

10.H)1) Policy 0100- Definitions; Policy 0142.1- Electoral Process; Policy 0142.5- Vacancies; Policy 0144.5- Board Member Behavior and Code of Conduct; Policy 0152- Officers; Policy 0165.1- Notice of Meetings; Policy 1421/Policy 3121/Policy 4121- Criminal History Record Check and Employee Self-Reporting Requirement; Policy 1460/Policy 3160/Policy 4160- Physical Examination; Policy 2210- Curriculum Development; Policy 2414- Human Growth and Development; Policy 3122.01/Policy 4122.01 Drug-Free Workplace; Policy 3340/Policy 4340- Grievance Procedure; Policy 5113- Open Enrollment Program; Policy 5130- Withdrawal from School; Policy 5200- Attendance; Policy 5410- Promotion, Placement, and Retention; Policy 546 - Children At-Risk of Not Graduating from High School; Policy 5722- School-Sponsored Publications and Productions; Policy 6108- Authorization to Make Electronic Fund Transfers; Policy 6114- Cost Principles- Spending Federal Funds; Policy 6146- Post-Issuance Tax-Exempt Bond Compliance; Policy 6152- Student Fees, Fines, and Charges; Policy 6152.01- Waiver of School Fees or Fines; Policy 8450- Control of Casual-Contact Communicable Diseases

10.I) Unpaid Time Off

Motion by Stitzer, second by Trumm, to approve unpaid time off request as presented. Motion carried.

10.J) Donation(s)

Motion by Updike, second by Stitzer to accept donations with a letter of thanks for \$100 from Community First Bank to go to our FFA, variety of snacks for students (paper plates, plastic wrap) for the Elementary School student snack cupboard from Allie Pickett/BMZ Growth Group and \$1000 toward a memorial for Travis Denner from Mark Ekiss/ Wausau East Track and Field. Motion carried.

Motion by Stitzer, second by Trumm to adjourn into closed session at 10:13pm. Motion carried.

Roll Call: Trumm, Woodke, Knoble, Miller, Stitzer, Updike

10.K) The School Board May Adjourn to Closed Session pursuant to Wis. Stat. sec. 19.85(1)(c) for considering employment, promotion, compensation or performance evaluation data of a public employee including discussion of 2021-2022 and 2022-2023 staffing possibilities and pursuant to Wis. Stat. sec. 19.85(1)(f) to discuss student record related matters, including open enrollment; to discuss and take action, if appropriate, concerning: 1) Retirement/Resignation(s); 2) Employment; and 3) Alternative Open Enrollment Application(s)

Roll Call: Trumm, Woodke, Knoble, Miller, Stitzer, Updike

10.L) Return to and reconvene in open session

Motion by Woodke, second by Trumm to return to and reconvene in open session at 11:02pm

10.M) Action, if any is required by law to be taken in open session on items in closed session.

10.M)1) Retirement/Resignation(s)

Motion by Woodke, second by Trumm to approve Mary Mischel, Randy Streeter, Sheena Reynolds and Skyler Reynolds retirement/resignation(s) as presented. Motion carried.

10.M)2) Employment(s)

10.M)2)a) Business Services Assistant

Motion by Trumm, second by Woodke to approve Theresa Wunnicke as Business Services Assistant. Motion carried.

10.M)2)b) Second Shift Custodian- None

10.M)2)c) Spring Coaches

Motion by Trumm, second by Knoble to approve Robert Harry as Track and Field Assistant Coach, Jared Roen as Baseball Assistant Coach and Todd Miller as Baseball Volunteer. Miller abstained. Motion carried

10.M)2)d) Summer School 2022

Motion by Stitzer, second by Trumm to approve Summer School 2022 teachers and paraprofessionals as presented. Motion carried.

10.M)2)e) Substitute Teachers and Support Staff

Motion by Woodke, second by Trumm to approve Samantha Christian as a substitute teacher, Lisa Krachey as a substitute teacher/paraprofessional and Jessie Dobson as substitute paraprofessional/custodian. Motion carried.

10.M)3) Alternative Open Enrollment Application(s)

Motion by Trumm, second by Woodke to approve the open enrollment out applications. Motion carried.

11. Adjourn

Motion by Woodke, second by Trumm to adjourn at 11:05pm. Motion carried.

Respectfully Submitted by Kaye Woodke, Clerk