

Regular School Board Meeting
Monday, December 20, 2021 6:30 PM

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

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

1. Call To Order – Proof of Public Notice-Todd Miller, Board President, called meeting to order at 6:30pm.
2. Pledge of Allegiance and Moment of Silence
3. Roll Call
4. Approval of Agenda
5. SWTC Presentation & Dual Credit Award- 6:30pm

Presentation by Kim Maier on Dual Credit for high school students through Southwest Technical College. Kim described how there have been an increase of students who have taken advantage of these opportunities. Wally asked, “How we would go about presenting a class like CNC at our district?” Kim answered, “The best option would be to reach out to Mary.” Currently, Boscobel students have earned 506 credits and saving approximately \$73,500 in 2021-2022 school year. Boscobel Area Schools has earned the Silver Award with 35% or more of our high school student population being enrolled in the dual credit programs.

6. **INFORMATION ITEMS**

6.A) Administrative Reports

6.A)1) Special Education Report-Laurie Genz-Prien informed the board that Boscobel Area Schools has received a \$6,500 grant from American Rescue Plan Elementary and Secondary School Emergency Relief-Homeless Children and Youth (ARP-HCY). The amount given is based on 2018-2019 and 2019-2020 count of students who were experiencing homelessness.

6.A)2) Elementary Principal Report- Danelle Schmid informed the board that students have been doing many challenges and fun projects. For example, the kindergarten class is creating snowman with a sketch accented with watercolor and the second grade is working on a stained glass tree. Student Council did great organizing the food drive making a difference at our local food pantry. Mrs. Zimmerman’s class has put together a book in dedication to Mrs. Kay. Their book “Friends and Family Can Work Together to Overcome Challenges” is derived from opinion writing pieces. On Jan. 10, 2022, iReady winter diagnostic window opens.

6.A)3) MS/HS Principal Report- Wally Byrne informed the board that the Veterans Day Program was a great success. The Bulldog Coffee House provided coffee to veterans and families for free. Cross country did a walk of champions allowing students to cheer them on before they went on to the WIAA State Cross Country Championship Meet. Wally expressed how outstanding and proud the district is that we have had 3 students make the Dean’s List in their dual credit courses that they are taking through Southwest Technical

College at Richland Center High School. Our transition class have put together a monthly menu with help from our food service to order snack items for homework help participants after school. We will be hosting the SWAL Math Contest for Southwestern on March 15th or 22nd. Finals will be held January 17-18, 2022. If anyone needs to make up finals, it will be available January 17-21, 2022.

6 A)4) Athletic Director Report- Rob Scherrer informed the board that our middle school boys basketball program just finished their season and will start travel ball while the middle school girls' basketball team will start after the winter break. Both high school boys and girls programs have had a great start to their seasons. Currently, the girls' basketball team is 6-2 with some great victories. The boys' team is 2-2 and looks to continue improving game to game. The wrestling program is also making some early news. There have been a few standout wrestlers and we expect to see some great success throughout the year. When attending the last AD monthly meeting it was decided to increase wages for officials at the varsity levels to coincide with other conferences. The increases will start during the 2022-2023 school year. During the meeting Stephanie Hauser, WIAA Director, joined in to answer any questions anyone may have. Rob would like to discuss multiple sport athletes and conference realignment at the next board meeting which would allow athletes to compete in multiple sports during one season.

6.A)5) Director of Facilities and Grounds Report- Nate Copsey informed the board that Musco Lighting Company, who did the initial inspection on the light poles at the football and baseball field, could not even give us a contact for anyone to do an inspection. Nate has reached out to Alliant Energy and the City of Boscobel who gave us a company called Timber Products. Timber Products will be providing an estimate for having the inspection done. Based on the number of poles and mileage, his verbal estimate was \$400-\$500 per pole. We should have more information by Christmas. Next week we are installing the water fountains. The dishwasher equipment has not arrived and won't be here until the end of January. Smith and Rosenfeldt are hoping they have made their last trip here for inspection and are hoping to share their initial findings with us sometime in January. Will be switch from rag and buckets for our sanitation systems to sanitizing wipes for each classroom. We are hoping this will be in place when students get back from winter break on January 3rd.

6.A)6) District Administrator Report- Lisa Wallin-Kapinus informed the board that we have received the money from Governor Evers Coronavirus Relief Funds, which gives the district an extra \$133.72 per pupil. This gives Boscobel additional funding of \$104,033. These funds will become part of the General Fund 10. Lisa would like to congratulate Sarah Ashmore-Oler and the food service staff for receiving a glowing state inspection report. She also wanted to say thank you for helping the administrative team with Nation Education Week by putting together a full baked potato and chili spread for all employees and baked goods to celebrate our school report card. Lisa also would like to shout out to every employee for all the hard work and dedication. She hopes everyone has a great holiday season.

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

Todd Miller addressed the board and the public with a verbal apology about an incident that happened at a basketball game at Riverdale Schools. Lisa Wallin-Kapinus stated that the incident was dealt with by the Riverdale and Boscobel administration and no further actions needed to be taken.

Maria Lemieux reports she has 2 healthy children at home on quarantine. She has a master's degree and is not meant to be a teacher. She does not know how the teachers do this on a day to day basis. Maria stated "I went to school but not to be a teacher as I am not meant to teach 4-K and 3rd grade." She references to studies that were released last month about COVID-19. She is extremely concerned more about schooling and does not think we need to be contract tracing. The kids need to be going to school and not trying to do this from home as they are not learning what is needed.

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

7.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.

7.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.

8. **ACTION ITEMS - OLD BUSINESS**

8.A) Board Minutes

Motion by Knoble, second by Updike to approve minutes from the November 8th and November 22nd board meetings. Motion carried.

8.B) Budget Reports

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

8.C) Security Cameras

We would like to put cameras in the Elementary and High School Gyms. Cameras will have a 5 year warranty on each. They will also allow you to view as far back as you would like to go.

Motion by Updike, second by Mueller to approve installation of security cameras. Motion carried.

8.D) Pandemic Protocols and Metrics

We would like to have the schools mask after holiday/winter break and stop asking for people to mask at after school events. Discussion on moving asymptomatic/close contact students and staff to remain masked for 14 days with social distancing.

Motion by Miller, second by Stitzer to approve all school facilities to be mask optional at our after school events. Motion carried.

Roll Call: Miller- Yes, Updike-Yes, Mueller-Yes, Knoble-Yes, Woodke-No, Trumm-No, Stitzer- Yes

Motion by Updike, second by Mueller to approve asymptomatic close contact individuals to have the option to quarantine at home or school as long as student remains asymptomatic but must wear a mask properly for 14 days. Everyone will receive a phone call, email, and letter with information sent home with student. Effective January 3, 2022. Motion carried.

Roll Call: Updike-Yes, Mueller-Yes, Trumm-No, Woodke- Yes, Knoble- Yes, Miller- Yes, Stitzer- Yes

Motion by Updike, second by Miller to approve any student that is a close contact may participate in practice and competitions if they are asymptomatic, however, they must wear a mask at all times for 14 days, unless SWAL/WIAA is more restrictive. (No exceptions or exemptions to masking and masking includes participation in athletics or extracurricular). Motion carried.

8.E) Fundraisers

Lisa Wallin-Kapinus would like to keep everyone updated with fundraisers. Motion by Woodke, second by Stitzer to approve fundraisers for 2021-2022 school year as presented. Motion carried.

9. **ACTION ITEMS - NEW BUSINESS**

9.A) 2022 Mileage Rate

Motion by Stitzer, second by Updike to approve the mileage reimbursement rate for 2022 to be the same as the IRS Mileage Rate.. Motion carried.

9.B) Smartboard Purchase

Motion by Miller, second by Updike to approve and order additional 20 smartboards on top what was previously approved in July. Motion carried.

9.C) Intercom System Update-Tabled

9.D) Contracted Services

9.D)1) New Frontier

Motion by Stitzer, second by Trumm to approve New Frontier Contract as presented. Motion carried.

9.D)2) Zimmerman Speaking and Consulting

Greg Zimmerman will be helping students and staff with mentoring and graduation help. Motion by Trumm, second by Woodke to approve Zimmerman Speaking and Consulting for professional services to support students and staff for the remainder of 2021-2022 school year as presented on the contract. Motion carried.

9.E) Job Description

9.E)1) Director of Business Services

9.E)2) Business Services Assistant

9.E)3) District Office Secretary

9.E)4) Special Education Administrative Assistant and Technology Support Assistant

Motion by Updike, second by Stitzer to approve the job descriptions and job titles for Director of Business Services, Business Services Assistant, District Office Secretary and Special Education Administrative Assistant and Technology Support Assistant as presented. Motion carried.

9.F) Donation(s)

Motion by Trumm, second by Woodke to accept the following donations with a letter of thanks: BMZ Growth Group for \$600 for school supplies, snacks, and clothing for our Boscobel Elementary Students and Staff use; Boscobel Area Lions Club for \$100 for the Elementary Student Council; Boscobel Athletic Boosters for \$249 Hudl. iPad Accessory Kit for our Girls Basketball and Softball; Boscobel Pharmacy for \$75 for the Cross Country Team; and Boscobel Area Health Care and Clinics Foundation for snacks and tissues for our Boscobel Elementary students to have a snacks and sniffles drive. Motion carried.

Motion by Stitzer, second by Woodke to go into closed session at 8:55pm. Motion carried.

Roll Call: Miller- Yes, Stitzer- Yes, Updike-Yes, Mueller- Yes, Woodke- Yes, Trumm-Yes, Knoble- Yes

9.G) 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 and for the review of Administrative Staff 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)

9.H) Return to and reconvene in open session- Motion by Stitzer, second by Trumm to reconvene into open session at 10:00pm. Motion carried.

Roll Call: Miller-Yes, Stitzer- Yes, Updike-Yes, Mueller-Yes, Woodke- Yes, Trumm- Yes, Knoble- Yes

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

9.I)1) Retirement/Resignation(s)

Motion by Woodke, second by Trumm to approve Crystal Brown's resignation as the Financial Specialist, Chris Shriver's resignation as the Event Set Up/Custodian, Donavon Lester resignation as a custodian, Jamie Degenhardt's and Danielle Strong's resignation as paraprofessionals. Motion carried.

9.I)2) Employment(s)

9.I)2)a) Director of Business Services

Motion by Trumm, second by Stitzer to approve Melissa Hamann for the Director of Business Services position. Motion carried.

9.I)2)b) Special Education Paraprofessional

Motion by Trumm, second by Knoble to approve Anthony Hubl and Lindsay Frazier for special education paraprofessional positions. Motion carried.

9.I)2)c) School Psychologist

Motion by Woodke, second by Stitzer to approve the changes to the contract for the school psychologist as presented. Motion carried.

9.I)2)d) Second Shift Custodian-None

9.I)2)e) Winter Coaches

Motion by Trumm, second by Updike to approve Penny Grassel as a volunteer coach for the basketball program and school vehicle driver. Motion carried.

9.I)2)f) Substitute Teachers and Support Staff-None

9.I)3) Alternative Open Enrollment(s)

Motion by Stitzer, second by Knoble to approve the alternative open enrollment applications as presented. Motion carried.

9.J) Adjourn

Motion by Stitzer, second by Updike to adjourn at 10:06pm. Motion carried.

Respectfully Submitted by Kaye Woodke, Clerk