

WEST BEND JOINT SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 1
Education Service Center
735 South Main Street
West Bend, WI 53095

REGULAR BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING
May 11, 2020 - 5:30 p.m.

A regular meeting of the Board of Education of West Bend Joint School District No. 1 was called, noticed, and held in the manner required by the school board and pertinent Wisconsin Statutes on Monday, May 11, 2020 virtually by a video conferencing software.

Members virtually present: Chris Zwygart, Joel Ongert, Kurt Rebholz, Nancy Justman, Tonnie Schmidt, Erin Dove, and Paul Fischer

The meeting was called to order at 5:31 p.m. by Board President Chris Zwygart. Upon roll call to verify all members are present: Justman-yes, Fischer-yes, Rebholz-yes, Ongert-yes, Dove-yes, Zwygart -yes, Schmidt-yes. Motion carried 7-0.

Ongert made a motion to approve the agenda and Fischer seconded the motion. Upon roll call vote: Schmidt-yes, Ongert-yes, Dove-yes, Justman-yes, Rebholz-yes, Fischer-yes, Zwygart-yes. Motion carried 7-0.

Recognitions & Presentations:

Recognition: Congratulations to the following support staff employees who were recognized for receiving the 2019-20 Support Employee of the Year award: Amanda Schaal, Special Education Aide (Jackson), Barb Breuer, Administrative Assistant (High School Athletics), Lija Voigt, School Nutrition Manager (High School), Susanne Schwab, School Nutrition Administrative Assistant (High School), Peter Kern, Kitchen Coordinator (McLane), Mike Westphal, Custodian (McLane), Lisa Miller, Accounts Payable (ESC).

Congratulations to the following educators who were recognized for receiving the 2020 Rolf Education Foundation Award: Melissa Foss, Counselor (Decorah), Scott Mindel, Social Studies Teacher (East HS), Aaron Spaeth, 6th grade ELA (Silverbrook), Denise Gantner, 1st Grade Teacher (Jackson).

Recognition: Patrick O'Connor, Assistant Principal on behalf of Doris Sexton, Debate Coach recognized the students who qualified for the 2020 National Tournament in Chicago that has been canceled. He also recognized students who had qualified for the National Speech and Debate Association tournament in Albuquerque, NM that has been canceled.

Presentation: Steve Galewski presented a check for the Brenda Galewski Memorial Fund that has been created by her family to serve our neediest children.

Public Participation: The public was provided the opportunity to address the Board on any item. No comments or questions were advanced.

Consent Agenda: Motion to approve the consent agenda by Ongert and seconded by Justman. Upon roll call vote: Fischer-yes, Ongert-yes, Dove-yes, Zwygart-yes, Justman-yes, Schmidt-yes, Rebholz-yes, Motion carried 7-0.

Action Items:

Revenues and Expenses in the Aggregate: Andrew Sarnow, Assistant Superintendent of Operations presented the quarter 3 (July-March 2020) revenues and expenses report. Ongert motioned to approve and seconded by Dove. Roll call vote: Schmidt-yes, Dove-yes, Rebholz-yes, Fischer-yes, Justman-yes, Zwygart-yes, Ongert-yes. Motion carried 7-0.

Approval of 2020-2021 School board meeting calendar: Fischer motioned to approve with the edit of changing the dates January-June to the year 2021 and Schmidt seconded. Roll call vote: Dove-yes, Fischer-yes, Schmidt-yes, Ongert-yes, Rebholz-yes, Justman-yes, Zwygart-yes. Motion carried 7-0.

Suspension of Board Policy 185 Board Committees: Zwygart made a motion to suspend Board Policy 185, Board Committees for the 2020-2021 school year while the board utilizes an operations structure that includes a Policy and Curriculum Committee, seconded by Fischer. Upon roll call vote: Ongert-No, Dove-yes, Rebholz-yes, Justman-yes, Fischer-yes, Zwygart-yes. Motion carried 6-1.

Zwygart suggested suspending the policy for the current time and bringing the policy back in July, 2020 with suggestions on moving forward.

Appointment of Board Members to Policy Committee: Zwygart made a motion to approve the appointment of Joel Ongert (Chair), Chris Zwygart, and Paul Fischer to the Board Policy Committee, seconded by Justman. Upon roll call vote: Fischer-yes, Schmidt-yes, Justman-yes, Rebholz-yes, Ongert-yes, Dove-yes, Zwygart-yes. Motion carried 7-0

Appointment of Board Members to Curriculum Committee: Zwygart made a motion to approve the appointment of Erin Dove (Chair), Nancy Justman, and Tonnie Schmidt to the Board Curriculum Committee, seconded by Fischer. Upon roll call vote: Rebholz-yes, Ongert-no, Justman-yes, Dove-yes, Schmidt-yes, Fischer-yes, Zwygart-yes. Motion carried 6-1.

OF/PT RFP: Sharon Kailas, Director of Pupil Services explained the purpose of this RFP and her recommendation to approve the contract with Dominiczak Therapy Associates. Ongert made a motion to approve the contract for Dominiczak Therapy Associates, seconded by Rebholz. Upon roll call vote: Fischer-yes, Rebholz-yes, Ongert-yes, Justman-yes, Schmidt-yes, Dove-yes, Zwygart-yes. Motion carried 7-0.

Graduation 2020: Kirkegaard presented options of a virtual graduation on June 7, 2020, or postponing graduation to July 12th with August 2nd as a backup date. The majority of seniors and parents would like an actual graduation ceremony. Ongert motioned to approve and Dove seconded. Roll call vote: Fischer-yes, Schmidt-yes, Justman-yes, Rebholz-yes, Zwygart-yes, Dove-yes, Ongert-yes. Motion carried 7-0.

Approval of Instructional hour waiver: Jennifer Gennerman, Director of Continuous Improvement & Assessment explained the purpose of the expedited waiver submission for DPI due to the pandemic. Zwygart motioned to approve and seconded by Ongert. Upon roll call vote: Rebholz-yes, Dove-yes, Justman-yes, Schmidt-yes, Fischer-yes, Ongert-yes, Zwygart-yes. Motion carried 7-0.

Fast Track Board Policies: Laura Jackson, Assistant Superintendent for Teaching and Learning, presented the following board policies for approval: 343.44 Part-time Open Enrollment, 343.45 Start College Now, 343.46 Early College Credit. Fischer stated that the reference to the board of education should be the school board in Policy 343.45. Tim Harder, Director of Technology reviewed the changes for approval in Exhibit 823.1 Official Notice. Ongert moves to approve fast track policies 343.44, 343.45, 343.46, and Exhibit 823.1, seconded by Fischer. Upon roll call vote: Justman-yes, Rebholz-yes, Fischer-yes, Ongert-yes, Schmidt-yes, Dove-yes, Zwygart- yes. Motion carried 7-0.

Discussion:

First Reading of Revised Board Policies: Jackson presented revised board policy 345.3 Homework. Andy Sarnow presented 615 Disclosure of Financing and Total Costs of All Referenda and this will be brought back to the Policy Committee after discussion. Jackson also presented 345.61 Early Graduation. Policy 345.3 and 345.61 were forwarded to the June 1 regular board meeting for second reading.

First Reading of New Board Policy 452 Student Wellness: Jackson explained that policy is a WASB policy. Fischer clarified the bottom of page one refers to the Superintendent Director of School Nutrition and this will be changed before returning for a second reading at the June 1 regular board meeting.

Superintendent Report: Kirkegaard and Jennifer Genneman shared the update that summer school will move forward as scheduled for grades 8-12 which will be for credit recovery, credit advancement, and students that need to get caught up from the spring semester. Learning will be asynchronous as well as synchronous. Grades 4K through 7th grade there are hopes that there will be face to face instruction. Summer School for grades 8-12 will be June 15 - July 17 and grades 4K - 7th grade will be July 6 - July 31. Genneman provided further details regarding the program.

Upcoming School Board Calendar:

Regular board meeting on Monday, June 1st, and Committee of the Whole currently scheduled for Monday, June 15th.

At 7:47 p.m., Zwygart made a motion to adjourn and seconded by Fischer. Upon roll call vote: Rebholz-yes, Fischer-yes Justman-yes, Dove-yes, Ongert-yes, Schmidt-yes, Zwygart-yes, Motion carried 7-0.

Respectfully submitted,

Erin Dove
Clerk