

WEST BEND JOINT SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 1

Education Service Center
735 South Main Street
West Bend WI 53095

REGULAR BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING

August 13, 2018

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, August 13, 2018 in the Education Service Center Board Room located at 735 South Main Street, West Bend 53095.

Members present: Tiffany Larson, Ken Schmidt, Kurt Rebholz, Joel Ongert, Nancy Justman, Tonnie Schmidt, and Chris Zwygart.

Board President Joel Ongert called the meeting to order at 6:47 p.m.

Following the Pledge of Allegiance, Mrs. Justman made a motion to approve the agenda, seconded by Mr. Zwygart. Motion carried 7-0.

Student Experience/Heppenheim, Germany field trip – Corey Petzold, High School German teacher, provided a video highlighting the activities and cultural experiences of the group's trip to Heppenheim. Students also spoke regarding the impact of the experience.

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

2017-2018 Open Enrollment Update – Superintendent Kirkegaard provided information on the history of open enrollment, as well as a historical review of ins and outs through open enrollment in the district over the past five school years. Current applications for the 2018-2019 school year were also discussed.

2017-2018 Budget Update – Karen Herman, District Business Officer, provided an update on the 2017-2018 budget which included: reports of aggregate revenues and expenditures, progress of reconciliations, implementation of additional internal controls, and Skyward web utilization.

First Reading of New Board Policy 345.61, Early Graduation – Laura Jackson, Assistant Superintendent of Teaching and Learning, explained that this policy identifies a plan for students for early graduation to ensure that the needs of the graduate are met. This policy was forwarded to the August 27, 2018 regular board meeting for second reading.

Referendum Planning/Next Steps – Based on board feedback, Matt Wolfert of Bray Architects addressed the following, in-part: footprint of Jackson Elementary (one story or two), one or two station gymnasium, geo-technical analysis of the property, breakdown of safety and security at the high school, segmentation doors to create better zoning within the high school building, and LED lighting replacement. Brian Brewer of Robert W. Baird provided information regarding the assumptions used in building the financing plan for a possible \$50M referendum. The board also discussed the one vs. two referendum question option.

Out of Country Field Trip Request – Kaylee Rossman, East Dance Team coach, explained the opportunity for Breanna Vitkus, after qualifying as an All-American dancer, to perform at a New Year's Day parade in Rome, Italy. Mrs. Justman made a motion to approve Coach Kaylee Rossman and Breanna Vitkus (East student) to attend Rome as part of the UDA All-America team, seconded by Mrs. Schmidt. Motion carried 7-0.

Moved by Mr. Zwygart, seconded by Mrs. Justman, to approve the following consent agenda:

- i. Minutes of the July 23, 2018 regular board meeting
- ii. Disbursements Posted to August 13 totaling \$4,220,672.40
- iii. Revenues (\$26,328,891) and Expenses (\$24,765,860) in the aggregate through June, 2018
- iv. Ratification of Contracts
- v. Resignation

Motion carried 7-0.

2018-2019 District Preliminary Budget – Karen Herman presented a preliminary budget for 2018-19 to the Board which included various key assumptions (student enrollment, analysis of salaries/benefits, review of OPEB funding, Fund 80 compliance, etc.) Mr. Ongert made a motion to approve the District to move forward with the preliminary budget in order to operate efficiently while working toward a balanced final budget, seconded by Mr. Zwygart. Motion carried 7-0.

Course Overview Documents – Jennifer Marten, Director of Curriculum, explained that all course information is held within BYOC (Build Your Own Curriculum). Mr. Schmidt expressed his concerns regarding 7th grade social studies. Mrs. Justman made a motion to approve the course overview documents for the 2018-2019 school year, seconded by Mr. Ongert. Motion carried 6-1, with Mr. Schmidt casting the dissenting vote.

District At-Risk Plan – Sharon Kailas, Director of Pupil Services, and Janet Hadley, At-Risk Coordinator, provided the plan which is required to be reviewed by the School Board annually. The plan identifies the systems and supports in place, as well as program services. Mr. Ongert made a motion to approve the district's annual At-Risk Plan, seconded by Mr. Zwygart. Motion carried 7-0.

Allocation of COLA (Cost of Living Adjustment) Head Start funds – Mrs. Schmidt made a motion to approve the Head Start supplemental COLA application, seconded by Mrs. Justman. Motion carried 7-0.

Policy / Fast Track Recommendation – Mr. Zwygart made a motion to approve the fast track recommended revision to Policy 342.8 Instruction of Students with Disabilities/Section 504 Plans, seconded by Mrs. Schmidt. Motion carried 7-0.

Third Reading of Board Policies – Mr. Ongert made a motion to approve revised board policy 411 Equality of Educational Opportunity/Pupil Non-Discrimination/Harassment and new board policy 345.5 Physical Education 1/2 Credit Exemption, seconded by Mrs. Justman. Motion carried 7-0.

Suspension of Board Policy 185, Board Committees – Mrs. Schmidt made a motion to suspend Board Policy 185, Board Committees, while the board utilizes an operations structure that includes a Committee of the Whole and Policy Committee for the 2018-19 school year, seconded by Mr. Ongert. Motion carried 7-0.

Committee Reports:

CESA 6 Board of Control (6/19) – The Board of Control elected individuals to various positions, including the Board of Control, reviewed the annual report and discussed future events for the year (legislative breakfasts, school safety and security summit, etc.)

Superintendent's Report – Don Kirkegaard reported on the following: August 13 bus tour of the community and service agencies with new teachers, August 27 all district staff in-service, and his attendance at the September 7 CESA 6 PAC meeting and the September 19-21 WASDA (Wisconsin Association of School District Administrators) conference.

Board Meeting Calendar: August 20 special board meeting regarding possible referendum questions, and August 27 and September 10 regular board meetings.

Items for follow-up and communication: Board-to-School Liaison program. Mr. Ongert will contact all board members.

At 9:52 pm, Mrs. Larson made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Mrs. Justman. Motion carried 7-0.

Respectfully submitted,

Tonnie Schmidt
Clerk