



Minutes for Regularly Scheduled Board Meeting
To Be Held in the District Board Room
1055 Griffiths Lane
Ashwaubenon WI 54304
(Phone: 920.492.2900)

Wednesday, February 14, 2024

6:30 pm

A. Call to order: Board President Vyskocil called the meeting to order at 6:31 pm

B. Roll call:

Board Members Present: Vyskocil, VanLaanen, Garrigan, VandeWalle, VanDeKreeke (remote)
Board Members Excused: all present
School Choice Advisory Representative: Matthew Rotter
Other Present: Kurt Weyers, Keith Lucius, Andy Bake, Tammy Nicholson, Dirk Ribbens, Michael Heim, Brian Carter, Nick Senger, Pete Marto, Amy Dillenberg, Drew Meinel, Francine Cook

C. Declaration of quorum: Quorum present

D. Pledge of allegiance: The pledge was recited

E. Adoption of Agenda: Moved VanLaanen, seconded by VandeWalle to adopt the agenda as presented. Aye 5 (Vyskocil, VanLaanen, Garrigan, VandeWalle, VanDeKreeke), Nay 0. Motion carried 5:0

F. Announcement of Executive Session: In accordance with W.S. 19.85(1) (c) an executive session is being held for the consideration of employment, promotion, compensation or performance evaluation data of any public employee over which the body has jurisdiction or exercises responsibility. (*personnel; performance evaluation*)

G. Citizens and/or delegations:

1. Public Forum – no topics presented

H. Consent Agenda: Moved by VanLaanen, seconded by VandeWalle to approve Consent Agenda items 1-6 as presented. Aye 5 (Vyskocil, VanLaanen, Garrigan, VandeWalle, VanDeKreeke), Nay 0. Motion carried 5:0

- 1. Minutes of the regular meeting held on Wednesday, January 10, 2024
- 2. Minutes of the executive session held on Wednesday, January 3, 2024
- 3. Staffing: hirings, resignations, retirements, leave of absences
- 3. The schedule of checks written 01/03/24 to 02/05/24
- 5. There were 15 co-curriculars approved
- 6. Budget Financial Reports for December

I. Superintendent’s Report

• Staff/Student Recognition

- **Press Times Intern:** Weyers introduced Gracie Giese the district’s new Press Times reporter.
- **Strategic Plan Update:** The 2023 Community Conversation follow-up meeting is scheduled for Monday, March 11, 2024 from 6:00-7:30 pm at AHS LMC.
- **Jaguar Excellence Awards:** 113 Jaguar Excellence awards were handed out for the Month of January.
- **Taste of Ashwaubenon:** The 2024 Taste of Ashwaubenon is on Monday, March 18th at Stadium View.
- **School Board Meeting in March 2024:** The March School Board Meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, March 13, 2024 at 6:30 pm in the District Office.
- **National Merit Scholarship:** AHS senior, Alexander Smits, has received the National Merit Scholarship Program Certificate of Merit. This award places him near the top of academic-

achieving students nationwide, based on testing success. We are extremely proud of his hard work and dedication; congratulations Alex.

- **Athletics Update:** Weyers recognized outstanding student athletes for boys swim, Nordic ski, wrestling, girls and boys basketball, girls and boys hockey and girls bowling.
- **Jay VanLaanen Recognition:** Jay VanLaanen will be ending his time on the school board in April 2024. Weyers recognized VanLaanen for his 21 years of service on the school board. Thank you to Jay for your dedicated service to our students, staff and community of Ashwaubenon.
- **AHS Dance Team:** Senger recognized the AHS Dance Team for their 2024 D2 2nd place finishes in both Kick and Pom. Dance coach Rodney Anderson and Drew Meinel were named co-coaches of the year.

J Discussion/Presentation Items:

1. **Wisconsin Act 20 Update:** Bake provided an update on the work being done around Act 20. Andy reviewed Act 20 requirements and the work done by ASD so far.
 1. Act 20 focuses on the Science-Based Early Literacy Instruction and bans 3 cueing.
 2. Estimated to be about a \$200,000 expense to implement this new requirements. Only about \$14,000 of this is being funded by the state. The school district is responsible for the remaining costs.
 3. Statewide reading readiness screener must be given 2 times per year for 4K and 3 times per year for 5K-3. The required screener is supplied by the State.
 4. Parents must be provided the results in their native language within 15 days after the assessment
 5. All K-3 teachers and administrator must be trained by a specific vendor. There is not funding provided to school district for this training
 6. Bake spoke about the grade 3 literacy promotion policy. He will be returning to the board with this policy.

Bake stated the some of the requirements in Act 20 are good (structure of instruction, parent communication) but somethings will make it difficult on districts (timeline, lack of funding, inability to assess in the student's native language, multiple high-stake assessments a week apart).

The board thanked Bake and his team for all the work they have been doing with these new requirements and the update on Act 20. They asked for information they can use when communicating with area legislatures.

2. **Pupil Non Discrimination Self Evaluation Report:** Nicholson explained that every 5 years school boards must evaluate the status of nondiscrimination and equality of educational opportunities in the district. The results of this evaluation must be reported to DPI by May 30, 2024. The report must be shared with the public, opened for public comment, reviewed and approved by the board. Tammy stated the report is available on the district website for public review. It is being presented tonight for board review and public comment. Tammy opened the discussion for public comment/input. No additional comments were received. The report will be brought back to the March board meeting for board approval.
3. **Bylaw and Policy Updates - first read:** Weyers presented updated policies and bylaws for a first read. No additional changes were recommended. The updates will be brought back to the March meeting for a second read and approval.

K. Action Items:

L. Board & Superintendent Communications:

- Garrigan attended the Delegate Assembly at the State Education Convention. She spoke about the 11 resolutions submitted and passed. The following was discussed but were not submitted in time to make the resolution list:
 - New London School District - Biological males competing in women's sports. Some felt this is a subject in the jurisdiction of WIAA. Not enough boards have studied this topic. Weyers

stated that the courts have yet to decide on this subject. Most districts are holding off doing anything until the courts come to a decision.

- The Milwaukee School District – Act 20’s rule that all testing/assessments will be given in the English language only. Milwaukee would like to see testing provided in the student’s native language. People did not want to discuss this topic.

M. Future Board Meetings & Topics:

- The next board meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, March 13, 2024, at 6:30 pm in the District Office.


N. Adjournment to executive session: In accordance with W.S. 19.85(1) (c) an executive session is being held for the consideration of employment, promotion, compensation or performance evaluation data of any public employee over which the body has jurisdiction or exercises responsibility. (*Personnel; Performance Evaluation*)

Moved VanLaanen, seconded by VandeWalle to adjourn to executive session at 7:25 pm. Aye 5 (Vyskocil, VanLaanen, Garrigan, VandeWalle, VanDeKreeke), Nay 0. Motion carried 5:0

O. Adjournment to open session: Moved VanLaanen, seconded by Garrigan to adjourn the open session at 9:02 pm. Aye 5 (Vyskocil, VanLaanen, Garrigan, VandeWalle, VanDeKreeke), Nay 0. Motion carried 5:0

P. Adjournment: Moved VanLaanen, seconded by Garrigan to adjourn the meeting at 9:05 pm. Aye 5 (Vyskocil, VanLaanen, Garrigan, VandeWalle, VanDeKreeke), Nay 0. Motion carried 5:0

Respectfully submitted,



Brett VandeWalle