



**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, January 8, 2025**

**6:30 pm**

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

**B. Roll call:**

Board Members Present: Vyskocil, Garrigan, VandeWalle, Anderson, VanDeKreeke  
Board Members Excused: All present  
School Choice Advisory Representative: Matthew Rotter  
Other Present: Kurt Weyers, Keith Lucius, Tammy Nicholson, Andy Bake, Dirk Ribbens,  
Michael Heim, Mandy Schroeder, Scott Truskowski, Pete Marto, Doug  
Pieschek, Erin Wagner, Amy Dillenberg, Michele Schmidt, Andrea Pasqualucci,  
Francine Cook

**C. Declaration of quorum:** Quorum present

**D. Pledge of allegiance:** The pledge was recited

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

**F. Citizens and/or delegations:** no topics presented

**G. Consent Agenda:** Moved by Anderson, seconded by VandeWalle to approve Consent Agenda items 1-6 as presented. Aye 5 (Vyskocil, Garrigan, VandeWalle, Anderson, VanDeKreeke), Nay 0. Motion Carried 5:0

1. Minutes of the regular meeting held on Wednesday, December 11, 2024
2. Minutes of the executive meeting held on Wednesday, December 11, 2024
3. The schedule of checks written 12/03/24 to 12/30/24
4. Staffing: hirings, resignations, retirements, leave of absences
5. There were 22 co-curriculars approved
6. Board Financials

**H. Superintendent's Report**

- **ASD Support for Students over the Holidays:** Throughout the holidays, the district and its partners help to support our students in need. Overall, we served a total of 304 students and their preschool siblings from 133 families. Nativity parishioners supported a total of 241 students from 112 families. Ashwaubenon Public Safety's Shop With a Cop program paired an officer with a 5<sup>th</sup> grade student to shop for items on a family wish list.
- **ASD Taxes:** We have heard from some residents with questions about property tax bills. The tax bills show approximately a 7% increase in school property taxes. The School District does not calculate the tax bills. We set a total dollar property levy which is given to the Village of Ashwaubenon. The Village then must follow State rules that allocate the levy across the property in the District.
  - The total District levy adopted in October 2024 was \$18,404,422. This levy was \$14,174 more than the previous year. That is a 0.077% increase in the tax levy. We cannot say why the tax bills show an increase that is 100 times greater than our levy increase.

- The levy does not include the impact of the recently passed referendum. The referendum will take effect next year. At this point, Village officials are working to figure out why the tax bills show such a significant increase when the District total levy increase was so small.
- **State School Board Convention:** Kurt Weyers, Michelle Garrigan, Jennie Vyskocil, Tammy Nicholson and Andy Bake will be attending the 104<sup>th</sup> Annual State Education Convention from Wednesday, January 17<sup>th</sup> through Friday, January 20<sup>th</sup>.
- **Taste of Ashwaubenon:** Just a reminder that this year's Taste of Ashwaubenon will occur on Monday, March 17, 2025 at Stadium View. This is the biggest fundraiser of the year for the Jaguar Backers. Please take some time to support our Jaguar Backers by attending the Taste of Ashwaubenon.
- **Jaguar Excellence Awards:** 97 Jaguar Excellence awards were handed out for the month of December.

## I. Discussion Items:

## J. Action Items:

1. **Policies involving Open Enrollment -second read:** Weyers presented the open enrollment related policies for a second read and approval. These policies need to be reviewed and approved prior to the start of open enrollment on February 3, 2025. No additional changes were recommended. Moved by VandeWalle, seconded by Anderson to approve the second read and approval the open enrollment policies as presented. Aye 5 (Vyskocil, Garrigan, VandeWalle, Anderson, VanDeKreeke), Nay 0. Motion carried 5:0
2. **Open Enrollment Guarantee:** Lucius presented the Open Enrollment Guarantee recommendations for the 2025-26 school year as follows:
  - The board guarantees the approval of currently attending open enrollment applicants if they are not habitually truant as defined by Wis. State Statute 118.51(11) and board policy 5113.
  - The board does not guarantee approval of incoming siblings of currently attending open enrollment applicants/pupils. These students will be given first priority (preference) to new open seats but a seat will not be guaranteed.
 Moved by Anderson, seconded by VanDeKreeke to approve the 2025-26 Open Enrollment Guarantees as presented. Aye 5 (Vyskocil, Garrigan, VandeWalle, Anderson, VanDeKreeke), Nay 0. Motion carried 5:0
3. **Open Enrollment Open Seats:** Lucius stated that determining of open seats for open enrollment gives an estimate of where staffing should be for the upcoming school year. There are open seats in each building/grade with the exception of kindergarten at Valley View and Pioneer. These seats are typically filled with resident students. Lucius recommended the following open seats for regular education open enrollment for the 2025-26 school year:

<u>Building</u>	<u>Grade</u>	<u>Max. enroll</u>	<u>Projected enroll</u>	<u>open seats</u>
Cormier	4k	260	100	160
Cormier	kdg	220	56	164
Pioneer	kdg	40	40	0
Pioneer	1	84	72	12
Pioneer	2	84	80	4
Pioneer	3	75	75	0
Pioneer	4	130	107	23
Pioneer	5	104	96	8
Valley View	kdg	40	40	0
Valley View	1	147	128	19
Valley View	2	126	117	9
Valley View	3	120	116	4

Valley View	4	156	149	7
Valley View	5	130	114	16
Parkview	6-8	720	705	15
High School 9-12		<u>1,100</u>	<u>1,027</u>	<u>73</u>
Total		3,536	3,022	514

Moved by Anderson, seconded by VandeWalle to approve the 2025-26 open seats for open enrollment in each grade/school as presented. Aye 5 (Vyskocil, Garrigan, VandeWalle, Anderson, VanDeKreeke), Nay 0. Motion carried 5:0

4. **Open Enrollment Open Seats - Special Education:** Nicholson presented the open seat recommendations for special education open enrollment. Tammy reviewed last year's data and presented the following recommendations for 2025-26 special education open enrollment open seats.

- Cormier: no open seats
- Pioneer: no open seats
- Valley View: no open seats
- Parkview: no open seats
- AHS: no open seats
- This includes: Syble Hopp, Macht Village, Better Days Mentoring, Advocates, residential treatment programs and other off-site placement options.
- CESA services for occupational therapy, physical therapy, Deaf and Hard of Hearing, Audiology or any other CESA contracted service.
- Currently attending open enrollment students who hold a general education seat only: If the student is found to meet special education eligibility and has a need for special education services, the district will revoke a student's open enrollment status and the student will need to enroll in the home district to receive the special education services.

Moved by VanDeKreeke, seconded by Anderson to approve the open seats for 2025-26 open enrollment applicants needing special education services are presented. Aye 5 (Vyskocil, Garrigan, VandeWalle, Anderson, VanDeKreeke), Nay 0. Motion carried 5:0

5. **Bylaw/Policy Updates - second read:** Weyers presented bylaw and policy updates for a second read and board approval. The board had no additional changes. Moved by Anderson, seconded by VandeWalle to approve the second read and approval the bylaw and policy updates as presented. Aye 5 (Vyskocil, Garrigan, VandeWalle, Anderson, VanDeKreeke), Nay 0. Motion carried 5:0
7. **Professional Staff Handbook Updates:** Weyers and Lucius presented the recommended changes to the Professional Staff Handbook. Lucius spoke about how changes are determined: topics come up throughout school year, staff come forward with questions/concerns, conversations with other districts, conversations with different staff groups (i.e., Admin Team, leadership teams, Educator Effectiveness Committee, teacher union group, etc.). As a result of Act 10, there is not a negotiation component but we do seek staff input on changes. At times, the district will also reach out to its legal team for input on requested changes. At the end of the day, the handbooks are created to act in the best interest of students and teachers in the classroom. Lucius explained each change being proposed and why the change is being recommended. The board requested that the start date of changes around using more sick days than the employee has available be effective the start of the 2025-26 school year. Moved by Anderson, seconded by Garrigan to approve the recommended changes with the above amended start date to sick day usage to the Professional Staff Handbook as presented Aye 5 (Vyskocil, Garrigan, VandeWalle, Anderson, VanDeKreeke), Nay 0. Motion carried 5:0
8. **Policy 2460.03 Update - first read and approval:** Nicholson presented changes to policy 2460.03. She recommended changing the language to specify that an examiner hold a DPI license and have experience

working in a public school in Wisconsin. She also recommended for travel costs, the examiner be located in Wisconsin's CESA 5, 6, 7, or 8 regions. Moved by Anderson, seconded by Garrigan to approve the waiving of the second read and recommended changes to policy 2460.03 as presented. Aye 5 (Vyskocil, Garrigan, VandeWalle, Anderson, VanDeKreeke), Nay 0. Motion carried 5:0

**K. Board & Superintendent Communications:**

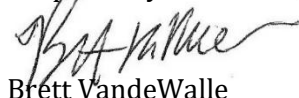
- **Delegate Assembly Resolution Review:** Garrigan will be representing the Ashwaubenon School Board at the Delegate Assembly during the State Education Convention. She reviewed the resolutions that the assembly delegates will vote on. Garrigan asked for the board's recommendations (yes/no) on each resolution. VanDeKreeke inquired what happened to the topic of "save women's sports". Garrigan explained that it did not make it last year or this year on the list of resolutions. There is an overall feeling that this topic is a WIAA issue and not an WASBO issue.

**L. Future Board Meetings & Topics:**

- The next board meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, February 12, 2025 at 6:30 pm in the District Office; 1055 Griffiths Lane; Ashwaubenon, WI.

**M. Adjournment:** Moved Anderson, seconded by VanDeKreeke to adjourn the meeting at 8:17 pm. Aye 5 (Vyskocil, Garrigan, VandeWalle, Anderson, VanDeKreeke), Nay 0. Motion carried 5:0

Respectfully submitted,



Brett VandeWalle