



Minutes for Regularly Scheduled Board Meeting

**To Be Held in the District Board Room
1055 Griffiths Lane
Ashwaubenon WI 54304
(Phone: 920.492.2900)**

Monday, January 23, 2012

6:30 p.m.

A. Call to order:

Vice President Laukka called the meeting to order at 6:30 pm at the district office. She stated that Mark Williams' father passed away. Please keep Mark and his family in your thoughts and prayers.

B. Roll call:

Board Members Present: Laukka, VanLaanen, Halron, VanDeKreeke
Board Members Excused: Williams
Others Present: Brian Hanes, Keith Lucius, Brian Nelsen, Jill Rhude, Kris Hucek, Matt Anderson, Phil Layden, Tom Barnhart, Kurt Weyers, Michael Sheean, Mark Sheedy, Maria Arena, Pete Marto

C. Declaration of quorum:

Quorum Present

D. Pledge of allegiance:

The pledge was recited

E. Adoption of Agenda:

Laukka stated that the topic scheduled for the executive session has been proposed until the February meeting. There will not be an executive session at tonight's meeting. Moved by VanLaanen seconded by VanDeKreeke to adopt the agenda as presented with the elimination of the executive session. Aye 4, Nay 0. Motion carried 4:0

F. Citizens and/or delegations:

1. **Public Forum** – Any citizen and/or delegations: No issues presented.
2. **Student Presentation** – Phil Layden and Tom Barnhart presented about Parkview's Project Lead the Way Focus. They spoke about the highlights in the Design and Modeling and Automation Robotics courses. They stated the three out of the six units have been implemented at Parkview. The remaining three will be implemented in the near future. Students from Parkview spoke about the design and automation courses they are currently taking. The board commented about the professions the students hope to get into and the skills they are learning that will help them achieve this goal. They also inquired if the PLTW courses are also meeting the core standards. The board recommended the students take a tour of a local hospital to observe their robotics suites to see how these classes apply to real world use.

G. Consent Agenda:

Moved by VanLaanen seconded by VanDeKreeke to adopt the Consent Agenda as presented. Aye 4, Nay 0. Motion carried 4:0

1. Minutes of the regular meeting held on Monday, December 12, 2011
2. Minutes of the executive session held on Monday, December 12, 2011
3. The schedule of checks written 12-06-11 to 01-11-12
4. Staffing:

- a. **Resignation of Anne Atkinson-Dellamater** from her .29 FTE Food Service Assistant-Dishwasher position at Cormier School and Early Learning Center effective December 22, 2011. Posting is currently underway to fill this vacancy.
 - b. **Resignation of Marsha Farrell** from her Noon Duty Supervisor position at Parkview Middle School effective January 24, 2012. Posting is currently underway to fill this vacancy.
5. Financial Report

H. Superintendent's Report:

- 16 DECA students recently participated in a competition, 14 placed and 9 will advance on to the state level. Hanes recognized the outstanding work of Mr. Lotto and his DECA students.
- Cesa 7 has a Board Night on February 29th at 7:00 pm at the Meadows Conference Center.
- Hanes asked the board to take a few minutes to read Jamie Vollmer's article about how communication is key to reforming schools.

I. Discussion/Presentation Items:

1. **Policy 7450.04 Revisions:** Hanes explained that the changes to policy 7450.04 are recommended by Neola. This policy was presented for first read.
2. **5-year Budget Projection:** Lucius began by stating that the 5 year budget being presented is an estimate that is meant to give an idea where things are going. It is done at a very conservative basis. He asked that the board not focus all their attention on the number for next year. He stated that the district is working on this number and reviewing the variables that matter. Lucius reminded everyone that Ashwaubenon is a great school district and regardless of what happens with the budget it will stay a great school district. He review the 5 year budget with the board.

Board Comments:

- Student population appears to be leveling off? Lucius stated that enrollment is cyclical and that we will see a time when resident enrollment increases.
 - Is the state discussing changing open enrollment? Lucius stated that republications appear to be pro-choice. The only districts that want a cap or change are those that see a lot of students leaving through open enrollment. Hanes stated the only significant change we will see is if the voucher program comes up again.
 - Should the district be holding open houses for potential open enrollment families? The schools offer tours and shadow days at the family's convenience.
 - We need to make sure that the district and school websites are current. This is a first source for parents researching school districts
3. **One-to-one Initiative Update:** Rhude and Anderson shared teaching and learning in Ashwaubenon and how technology relates to it. Anderson spoke about the rapid changes in student learning and how things have changed as a result of this. Learning is happening around our students. We need to be safe and responsible but we need to create opportunities for learning. Anderson shared what is happening with technology at each building level and the plan for the future

Board Comments:

- The board asked if coaches could use the My Big Campus product to communicate with students. Anderson stated it could be made available to coaches.
- The board asked if some of our software could be update to accommodate student goals such as web design. Anderson stated that the district has updated the Adobe suite to accommodate students.

J. Action Items:

1. **Audit Report:** Lucius reviewed the Audit Report and recommended it for board approval.
 - Fund balance decreased \$452,744 with the health insurance fund balance making up a majority of the decrease (\$423,832).
 - Debt Service fund balance is down just over \$50,000. This is related to the bond refinancing.

- The current fund balance is 27% of expenses for the 2010-11 school year falling within the range recommended by the fund balance committee guidelines.
- Transportation aid was the only issue auditors found. Keith is working with DPI to address this. Moved by VanLaanen seconded by Halron to adopt Audit Report as presented. Aye 4, Nay 0. Motion carried 4:0

2. **Acceptable Use Policy Name Change:** Anderson requested that the word “acceptable” in Policy 7540 be changed to “responsible”. He stated that this policy was originally created as a crime and punishment policy. It defined activities between “acceptable” and “unacceptable” behavior. Anderson explained that a majority of students have their own devices in their pockets and are already connected to the world. This request to change the title is a reflection of our culture that every moment is a teaching moment. That is we need to take opportunities to teach students what is appropriate and responsible behavior in school. The title of this policy needs to reflect the change in attitude and culture of “responsible” usage. The body/content of the policy will not change.

Moved by VanDeKreeke seconded by Halron to adopt the name change from “Acceptable” to “Responsible” Use for Policy 7540 as presented. Aye 4, Nay 0. Motion carried 4:0

K. Board & Superintendent Communications:

- WASB Convention Update: Three administrators and two board members attended the WASB convention in January. Hanes, Halron and Laukka presented on sessions they attended.
- Brian VandeKreeke stated he recently participated in a workshop via Skype. He felt that this was a very interesting use of technology that could be used to better ourselves and our programs.
- Megan Oberstadt, student swimmers and their families (40 people total) were recognized for working the Packer game on Christmas day. The Jaguar Backers booster club was given an opportunity to work Packer fan giveaways to help raise money. Megan, her students and their families worked at the game on Christmas day to help raise \$1,400 towards their trip to Ecuador.
- The 4th Annual Taste of Ashwaubenon will be held at the Stadium View restaurant on March 7th. All past, present and future Jaguar Backers and the community are invited. There will be 29 Ashwaubenon restaurants offering samples of food to the guests. Tickets can be purchased from the Jaguar Backers website or at the high school office.
- Lucius stated the current law is that teacher layoffs are to be made by March 15th. If this does not change, a special meeting will be needed in March to approve layoffs. He asked that everyone keep the second Monday in March open for a possible special meeting.

L. Future Board Meetings & Topics:

- The next regularly scheduled Board meeting is Monday, February 27, 2012, at 6:30 pm.

M. Adjournment

Moved by VanLaanen seconded by VanDeKreeke to adjourn the meeting at 9:04 pm. Aye 4, Nay 0. Motion carried 4:0.

Respectfully submitted,



Jay VanLaanen, Clerk