

ASHWAUBENON BOARD OF EDUCATION
Minutes of the Regular Meeting
Held on Monday, September 29, 2008

A. CALL TO ORDER:

President Williams called the meeting to order at 6:30 pm in the District Office Board Room, 1055 Griffiths Lane.

B. ROLL CALL:

Board Members Present: Aubinger, Williams, Crowley, Laukka, Van Laanen
Others Present: Dave Schmidt, Keith Lucius, Wendy Catalano, Brian Nelsen, Kurt Weyers, Jen Koza, Mark Sheedy, Linda Noel

C. DECLARATION OF QUORUM:

Quorum present.

D. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

The pledge was recited.

E. ANNOUNCEMENT OF EXECUTIVE SESSION:

President Williams announced that in accordance with W.S. 19.85(1)(c) an executive session will be held at the end of the meeting for the purpose of discussing employee compensation, employment issues, and employee negotiations.

F. ADOPT AGENDA:

Moved by Aubinger, seconded by Van Laanen to adopt the agenda as written. Aye 5, nay 0. Motion carried 5:0.

G. CITIZENS AND/OR DELEGATIONS:

1. Public Forum: No one appeared.
2. Student Report: Linda Zhang, Vanessa Witt, 6th Graders at Parkview Middle School, gave an update on the activities taking place in District schools.

H. CONSENT AGENDA:

Moved by 1, 2,4,5,6 Laukka, seconded by Van Laanen. Aye 5, nay 0. Motion carried 5:0.

Moved by Laukka, seconded by Van Laanen to approve #3. Aye 4, nay 0, abstain 1. Motion carried 4:0:1.

I. DISCUSSION/PRESENTATION ITEMS:

1. Project Lead the Way

Dave Schmidt explained that Mark Sheedy, Tom Barnhart, and John Hilbert updated the Board on Project Lead the Way which is a new curriculum started about 4-5 years ago to grow the number of engineers in the State of Wisconsin. He informed the Board that Administration will be looking for Board action on this issue at the next Board meeting and financial and cost information will be available for the Board prior to that meeting.

Mark said this is a pre-engineering program was established to highly encourage students to participate in these types of courses.

John Hilbert reviewed the initial steps the District has taken over the past two-three years to look at and implement this program which is a new and developing program in the State of Wisconsin, and how it will benefit students in our District, and how it will align with what the District is currently doing.

Tom Barnhardt updated the Board on Project Lead the Way; how it works, what it teaches, how it evolved, and how it will positively impact student learning in Ashwaubenon. He also answered questions from the Board.

2. Student Assessment Update

Wendy Catalano gave a review/update on the student assessment data she assembled. She also updated the Board on what the District has been doing and change the district has made to increase student achievement over the past few years and changes they will be implementing in the future.

Bob Crowley said in looking over the data this evening, he is disappointed in the District's reading scores – we should be above the state average in this area.

J. ACTION ITEMS:

1. Human Resources: Staff Appointments

Moved by Crowley, seconded by Aubinger to approve the three staff appointments as follows:

- Amy Bunkelman to fill the 0.08 FTE, Limited Term Language Arts Position at the High School, effective the beginning of the 2008-09 school year. This FTE is available due to the leave of absence of Sadie Brice. Amy will now have a 1.08 FTE contract.
- Emma Frank fill the 0.25 FTE, Limited Term Language Arts Position at the High School, effective the beginning of the 2008-09 school year. This FTE is available due to the leave of absence of Sadie Brice. Emma will now have a 1.0 FTE (of which 0.50 FTE is limited Term) Language Arts Instructor contract with the District.
- Holly Feldkamp to fill the 0.17 FTE, Limited Term Language Arts Position at the High School, effective the beginning of the 2008-09 school year. This FTE is available due to the leave of absence of Sadie Brice. Holly will now have a 0.75 FTE Language Limited Term Arts Instructor contract with the District.

2. Human Resources: Co-Curricular Contracts

Moved by Crowley, seconded by Van Laanen to approve the 19 co-curricular contracts recommended for approval. Aye 5, nay 0. Motion carried 5:0.

3. Human Resources: Staff Resignation

Moved by Aubinger, seconded by Van Laanen to accept the resignation submitted by Flor Ayala from her Breakfast Supervisor Position at Valley View Elementary School effective October 3, 2008. Aye 5, nay 0. Motion carried 5:0.

4. Human Resources: Child Rearing Leave

Moved by Aubinger, seconded by Crowley, to approve the unpaid child rearing leave submitted by Kimberly Trembl (who is a 1.0 FTE Phy Ed Instructor position at the High School) per Section F, Article VI of the AEA Master

Agreement. Kim has applied for FMLA, and this unpaid leave would begin immediately after the termination of FMLA and run through the end of the 2008-09 school year. Aye 5, nay 0. Motion carried 5:0.

K. REPORTS & COMMUNICATIONS:

None

L. FUTURE MEETINGS:

The October Board meetings will be held on Monday, October 13th and October 27th beginning at 6:30 p.m. at the District Offices, 1055 Griffiths Lane.

M. ADJOURN TO EXECUTIVE SESSION:

Moved by Crowley, seconded by Van Laanen to adjourn to executive session at 7:40 p.m. Aye 5, nay 0. Motion carried 5:0.

N. EXECUTIVE SESSION:

O. RETURN TO OPEN SESSION:

The Board reconvened in open session at 8:10 p.m.

P. ACTION, IF ANY, ON ISSUE(S) DISCUSSED IN EXECUTIVE SESSION:

Moved by Crowley, seconded by Aubinger to adjourn the meeting at 8:10 p.m. Aye 5, nay 0. Motion carried 5:0.

Q. ADJOURNMENT:

Respectfully submitted,



Jay Van Laanen, Clerk