

SCHOOL BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING
MONDAY, FEBRUARY 14, 2022
SCHOOL DISTRICT OF PITTSVILLE

OFFICIAL MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION

I. Call to Order

A regular monthly meeting of the Pittsville School Board of Education was held on Monday, February 14, 2022 in the CTE Conference Room. The meeting was called to order by President Hoogesteger at 7:00 p.m.

II. Pledge of Allegiance

III. Establish Quorum

Members present: Mandy Hoogesteger, Nathan Bowden, Julie Strenn, Jane Wesely, with MaryAnn Lippert absent. Administration present: Rodney Figueroa, District Administrator; Rod Watson, High School Principal; Heather Friday, Elementary School Principal; Matthew Sherwood, Director of Special Education; Mike Seymour, Computer Technologies; Dan Giles, Director of Buildings and Grounds; Tabitha Becker, Director of Child Care.

IV. Meeting Notice Certification

Meeting notice was posted on the District's website, on the outside entrance doors to the administration area, and sent to the *Pittsville Record*.

V. Approval of Agenda

A. Change of Sequence/Removal of Items

Motion was made by Jane Wesely, seconded by Julie Strenn, to approve the February 14, 2022 agenda. Motion carried (4-0).

VI. Academic Spotlight - Elementary School

Mrs. Kuehn, Ms. Sischo, and Ms. Joosten's second grade students shared book recommendations they prepared using skills learned in their Reader's Workshop and Writer's Workshop classes.

VII. Consent Agenda Items

A. Regular Meeting Minutes of January 6, 2022

B. Closed Session Minutes of January 6, 2022

C. Financial Status (January – Expenses: \$657,063.28; Revenues: \$1,286,906.49)

D. Spring Co-Curricular Contracts

E. Resignations/Retirements

1) PCCC, McKenna Coulthard

2) PCCC, Briann Reichert

3) PCCC, Makayla Bogema

4) Head Varsity Softball Coach, Zoe Hale

5) Assistant Varsity Softball Coach, Chauncey Jones

6) High School Social Studies Teacher, Robert Piotrowski

7) Paraprofessional, Kaylee Sheppard

F. Hirings

1) Junior High Baseball Coach – Sawyer Ladick

Motion was made by Julie Strenn, seconded by Nathan Bowden, to approve the Consent Agenda as presented. Motion carried (4-0).

The Board would like to thank Mr. Piotrowski for his 34 years of service and dedication to the students at the Pittsville High School.

VIII. Discussion/Action

A. Administration Reports

- 1) High School – Dr. Watson shared information on staff learning through teacher book studies.
- 2) Elementary School – Mrs. Friday shared updates on the upcoming Empty Bowls and Art Show.
 - (a) AGR Report – End of first semester progress on AGR goal results was shared
- 3) Technology Report – Updates on the new phone system, replacement laptops, and school year projects.
- 4) Maintenance Report – Progress on the AC/BPI project and installation and the RFB for a new walk in cooler/freezer at the elementary school.
- 5) Director of Special Education – Child Development Days and ACCESS testing for English Learners were discussed.
- 6) Director of Child Care – Infant room activities last month included exploring a sensory bin filled with snow from outside and activities centered around their fine motor skills.

Motion was made by Jane Wesely, seconded by Nathan Bowden, to approve the Administrative Reports as presented. Motion carried (4-0).

B. Elementary School Student Handbook Update

Motion was made by Julie Strenn, seconded by Nathan Bowden, to approve updates to the Elementary Student Handbook as presented by Elementary Principal Heather Friday. Motion carried (4-0).

C. Salutatorian/Valedictorian for Class of 2022

Motion was made by Julie Strenn, seconded by Jane Wesely, to approve the following recipients for the Class of 2022: Valedictorian Ruth Durrant and Salutatorian Emma Tolzmann. Motion carried (4-0).

D. Academic Excellence Scholarship Recipient Class of 2022

Motion was made by Jane Wesely, seconded by Julie Strenn, to approve the PHS State Academic Excellence Scholarship recipient for the Class of 2022: Ruth Durrant. Motion carried (4-0).

E. Technical Excellence Scholarship Recipient Class of 2022

Motion was made by Julie Strenn, seconded by Jane Wesely, to approve the PHS State Technical Excellence Scholarship recipient for the Class of 2022: Abigail Knutson. Motion carried (4-0).

F. CESA 5 Contract Renewal

Motion was made by Jane Wesely, seconded by Nathan Bowden, to approve the CESA 5 Contract for 2022-2023 school year at a total projected cost of \$35,178.43. Motion carried (4-0).

G. April 5, 2022 School Board Election

1) Paper Ballots for Town of City Point and Town of Finley

Motion was made by Jane Wesely, seconded by Julie Strenn, to approve the April 5, 2022 School Board Election paper ballots for the Town of City Point and Town of Finley. Motion carried (4-0).

2) Appoint Board of Canvassers – Mark Darr and Karen Garrels

3) Set Date/Time for Board of Canvassers – April 6, 2022 at 2:00 pm in the Administration Conference Room.

H. January Pupil Count

Motion was made by Nathan Bowden, seconded by Jane Wesely, to approve the January 20, 2022 Pupil Count at 560 students in attendance. Motion carried (4-0).

I. First Reading of New Policy 441.2: Student Representative to the Board

New Policy 441.2 and 441.2 Rule moved forward for 2nd Reading in March.

J. Therapy Dog Policy

A draft policy to be edited was shared with the Board. An Exhibit or Rule will also be developed to provide guiding principle and set expectations. Possible first reading in March.

K. Request for Use of School Official Logo - An agreement will be drafted by administration for approval at the March School Board meeting.

Motion was made by Nathan Bowden, seconded by Jane Wesely, to approve trademarking our official school logo through state application. Motion carried (4-0).

L. COVID-19 Update

Motion was made by Julie Strenn, seconded by Jane Wesely, to move the threshold to 10% of the staff and student population COVID positive (school-related cases) before requiring masking for five days. Motion carried (4-0).

Motion was made by Julie Strenn, seconded by Nathan Bowden, to approve continuing with the district’s Test to Stay program and our own school related contract tracing; and to discontinue sharing close contacts lists with the county and issuing isolation and quarantine letters on behalf of the county. Positive cases will still be reported to the county as required by law. Motion carried (4-0).

IX. Legislative Report – Several education bills are being considered in the current session.

X. Public Comments – no public comments.

XI. Closed Session: The Board will consider moving into Closed Session as per WI State Statute 19.85(1)(c)
Motion was made by Nathan Bowden, seconded by Jane Wesely, to move into Closed Session as per WI State Statute 19.85(1)(c) for the purpose of: A. Personnel; B. Staff Contracts. President Hoogesteger directed the Clerk to take a roll call vote: Mandy Hoogesteger-Yes, Nathan Bowden-Yes, Jane Wesely-Yes, Julie Strenn-Yes, MaryAnn Lippert-Absent. Motion carried (4-0).

XII. Reconvene into Open Session
Motion was made by Julie Strenn, seconded by Nathan Bowden to reconvene into Open Session. Motion carried (4-0).

XIII. Take any Action from Closed Session
Motion was made by Julie Strenn, seconded by Jane Wesely, to approve the 4.7% CPI wage increase for all staff effective 2022-2023 school year. Motion carried (4-0).

XIV. Adjourn
Motion was made Jane Wesely, seconded by Julie Strenn, to adjourn at 9:01 p.m. Motion carried (4-0).

Julie Strenn, School Board Clerk

Transcribed by Deb Zdun, Administrative Assistant to the District Administrator and Board of Education