

PORT EDWARDS PUBLIC SCHOOLS

Business Meeting of the Board of Education

5:30 p.m., Wednesday, July 19, 2023 – Elementary IMC, Fifth Street, Port Edwards, WI

Minutes

Meeting called to order by President Daven at 5:30 p.m.

Roll Call

PRESENT: John Daven, Leo Thomasgard, Kathy McGrath, Cary Hildebrandt, Dana Duncan

ABSENT: None

ALSO PRESENT: James Bena, Superintendent, Lisa Miller, Business Director

OTHERS PRESENT: None

1. Consider Approval of Agenda

Motion by McGrath, second by Duncan to approve the agenda as posted. Voting yes - Daven, Thomasgard, McGrath, Hildebrandt, Duncan. Motion carried.

2. President's Report

A. Board Member Attendance

President Daven reported that all Board members were in attendance.

B. Next Board Meeting

President Daven reported that the next meeting of the School Board will be August 16, 2023.

3. Administrative Reports

A. District Administrator Report –Superintendent Bena

Superintendent Bena reported that the PEEF golf outing was a success and profited just over \$7000 for its education fund and thanked all those that participated and sponsored the event.

Superintendent Bena shared information on the state 2023-25 biennial budget that Governor Evers signed July 5th. The budget gives an additional \$325 per pupil for the next two school years and well into the future and an overall increase in school funding of approximately one billion dollars state-wide.

The Port Edwards Police will be sponsoring a blood drive in the Dorothy Alexander Auditorium on July 28 from 11 a.m. – 3 p.m. Superintendent Bena reported that new playground equipment was installed at the elementary school by Dan Henne this summer. Mr. Bena stated that the first meeting of the referendum facilities committee will be in August and this meeting will include a walk-through of the buildings.

Superintendent Bena thanked the maintenance staff and summer help for all of the work they have done this summer.

4. Questions and Comments from People in Attendance

None

CONSENT AGENDA:

5. Consider Approval of Minutes of Past Meeting – June 14, 2023

Motion by Hildebrandt, second by Thomasgard to approve the minutes of the past meeting. Voting yes - Daven, Thomasgard, McGrath, Hildebrandt. Member Duncan abstained. Motion carried.

6. Consider Approval of Financial Reports

A. Check Summaries June 1-30, 2023

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B. District Revenue Report June 1-30, 2023

C. District Expenditures Report..... June 1-30, 2023

D. June Cash Receipt Report..... June 1-30, 2023

E. June Cash Balance Report

F. Budget Revisions

G. Consider Approval of Gifts

Motion by Duncan, second by McGrath to approve the financial reports as presented. Voting yes - Daven, Thomasgard, McGrath, Hildebrandt, Duncan. Motion carried.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

None

NEW BUSINESS:

- 7. Consider Approval of 2023-24 Co-Curricular Code of Conduct**
Motion by Duncan, second by Hildebrandt to approve the 2023-24 Co-Curricular Code of Conduct. Voting yes – all.
Motion carried.
- 8. Consider Approval of 2023-24 JEMS & JEHS Student Handbooks**
Motion by Duncan, second by Hildebrandt to approve the 2023-24 JEMS & JEHS Student Handbooks. Voting yes – all.
Motion carried.
- 9. Consider Approval of 2023-24 JEMS & JEHS Athletic Code of Conduct**
Motion by Duncan, second by Hildebrandt to approve the 2023-24 JEMS & JEHS Athletic Code of Conduct. Voting yes – all. Motion carried.
- 10. Consider Approval of 66.0301 Program Agreements – Nekoosa School District**
Motion by Duncan, second by McGrath to approve the 66.0301 Program Agreements with Nekoosa School District. Voting yes – all. Motion carried.
- 11. Consider Approval of 2023-24 Wisconsin Academic Standards**
Motion by Duncan, second by Hildebrandt to approve the 2023-24 Wisconsin Academic Standards. Voting yes – all. Motion carried.
- 12. Consider Approval of Title IX Coordinator – Heather Lisitza**
Motion by Duncan, second by McGrath to approve Heather Lisitza, Title IX Coordinator. Voting yes – all. Motion carried.
- 13. Consider Approval of 2023-24 Commercial Property, General Liability, Professional Liability, Crime, Inland Marine, Automobile, Umbrella & Worker's Compensation Insurance Plans**
Motion by Duncan, second by Daven to approve the 2023-24 Commercial Property, General Liability, Professional Liability, Crime, Inland Marine, Automobile, Umbrella & Worker's Compensation Insurance Plans. Voting yes – all. Motion carried.
- 14. First Reading of Neola Policy Updates**
Superintendent Bena discussed the updates to the Neola policies.
- 15. Consider Approval of the 2023-24 Lamers Bus Contract**
Motion by Thomasgard, second by Duncan to approve the 2023-24 Lamers Bus Contract. Voting yes – all. Motion carried.
- 16. Opportunity for Individual Board Member Comment**
Leo Thomasgard – Stated that is great to see all the good things happening this summer.
Kathy McGrath – Thanked the staff that taught summer school and the maintenance staff for their work this summer.
- 17. Establish Future Board Meetings**
Wednesday, August 16, 2023, Executive Session at 5:00 (if needed); Business Meeting at 5:30 p.m. – Elementary IMC
Wednesday, September 13, 2023, Executive Session at 5:00 (if needed); Business Meeting at 5:30 p.m. – Elementary IMC
- 18. Call for Adjournment**
Motion by Duncan, second by Hildebrandt to adjourn the meeting. Voting yes - Daven, Thomasgard, McGrath, Hildebrandt, Duncan. Motion carried.
Meeting adjourned at 6:02 p.m.

Lisa Miller
Acting Secretary