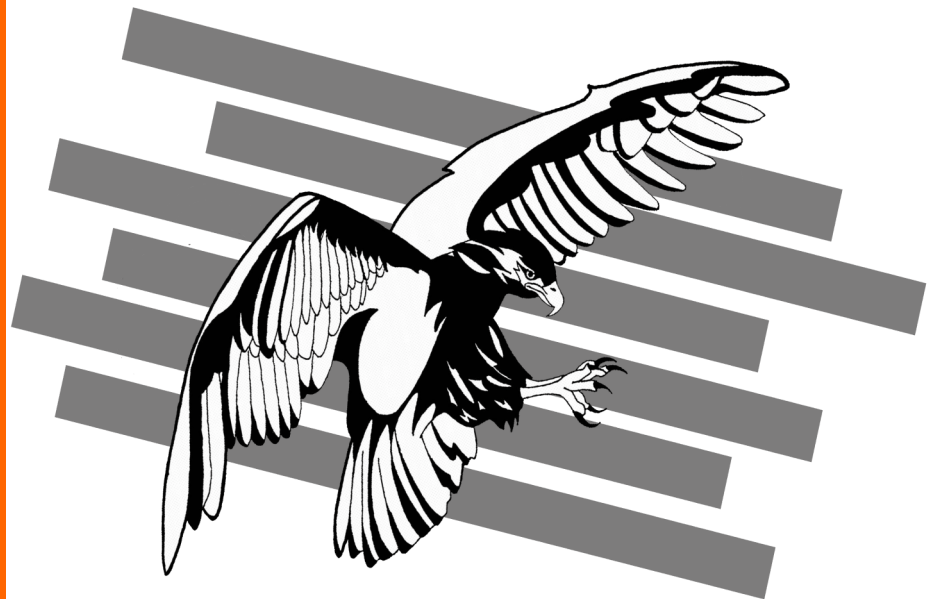


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One Student at a Time*

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The district encourages informal resolution of complaints under this policy. A formal complaint resolution procedure is available to address allegations of violations of the policy of the Port Edwards School District.

For assistance, please contact James Bena, Non-Discrimination Compliance Officer, at 801 Second Street, Port Edwards, WI 54469 or call 715-887-9000, ext. 102.

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Looking Back—and Looking Ahead—to Progress in Port Edwards Schools

Submitted by: Jim Bena, Superintendent & 4K-5 Principal



On behalf of the Port Edwards School District, I would like to wish a very happy holiday season to our students, staff, and families! In addition to enjoying time with loved ones, the holiday season is a time to both reflect back on the events of the past year, as well as to look ahead at our goals for 2025.

2024 saw several significant events that will positively affect our district for the future:

- The successful passage of both an operational and capital referendum on April 2, which provides the district with sound finances and the ability to maintain our building and grounds
- The hiring of several new staff (MS/HS Principal, Director of Special Education, Athletics Director)
- Asbestos abatement & renovations to the JEMS/JEHS Technology Education Department
- The implementation of the Wisconsin Act 20 statute, which provides a uniform English and Language Arts curriculum in grades Kindergarten – Grade 3 in all Wisconsin Public Schools

As we turn the calendar to 2025, there are a number of upgrades and updates scheduled:

- Installation of new internet cabling, as well as a new telephone and digital clock system, district-wide
- Masonry work on the entire exterior of the JEMS/JEHS building
- New rubberized flooring and cafeteria tables in the gym/cafeteria at EHES
- New electrical wiring and heating/air condition controls at EHES

The Port Edwards School District has a rich history of providing the best education possible for our students. The work that we have done in 2024, and look forward to in 2025, will help us to maintain that strong tradition for many years to come.

Wisconsin DPI Report Cards

On November 19, the Wisconsin Department of Public Instruction released its annual public school report cards. These report cards reflect data collected during the previous (2023-24) school year. According to the DPI, Wisconsin Report Cards "include data on multiple indicators for multiple years across four priority areas: achievement, growth, target group outcomes, and on-track to graduation." A listing of Port Edwards and all other Wisconsin school district report cards can be found at: <https://dpi.wi.gov/accountability/report-cards>.

The Port Edwards Public School District receives four separate report cards: one each for the district, high school, middle school, and elementary school. Both the DPI and state CESA agencies remind schools and communities that the report cards are not a comprehensive picture of district effectiveness: they show a moment in time on state testing. While these report cards are a single source of information about our district, academic data is taken from them to help create both our short and long-term plans for academic growth. If you have any questions about our district's DPI Report Cards, please contact me: benaja@pesd.k12.wi.us.

December and January: Rest, Recharge, Reconnect

Submitted by: Shane Steltenpohl, 6-12 Principal

As we are preparing to wrap up what I like to call the “first half” of the school year, it’s important to celebrate the many achievements of our students and staff. Whether in the classroom, on the sports field, or in our extracurricular activities, our school community continues to shine. Here are just a few highlights from the first half of the year:



- **Academic Excellence:** Our students have worked diligently to stay on track with their studies. Many have shown remarkable growth in both core and elective subjects.
- **Sports Success:** Our athletic teams continue to show tremendous GRIT on the trails, courts, and fields. We’ve seen both individual and team achievements that make us proud to be a Blackhawk.
- **Arts & Activities:** Whether through music, drama, art, or club participation, our students have demonstrated incredible talent and creativity. The recent school play, holiday meal, and our band and choir concerts were standout events!

Important Dates and Upcoming Events

Here are some key dates and events to keep in mind as we transition into the winter months:

- **December 2:** Trimester 2 Begins
- **December 13:** Senior Citizen Breakfast
- **December 20:** Alumni Band Night
- **Winter Break:** December 21–January 1 (School will resume on January 2)
- **January 21:** Trimester 2 Grade Check
- **Winter Sports:** Basketball and wrestling seasons began in November. Come out to support our student-athletes! Schedules can be found at <https://www.pesd.k12.wi.us/>

Support and Resources

As always, please remember that we are here to support our students and families in any way we can. If you need assistance with anything, whether it’s academic support, counseling services, or resources for home life, don’t hesitate to reach out to our school staff. We are all working together to create a positive and supportive learning environment.

A Heartfelt Thank You

Finally, I want to express my deepest appreciation to all of our students, parents, staff, and community members. Your hard work, dedication, and passion make this school a special place to be. I’m excited for what’s ahead in the new year and look forward to continuing to work together to support our students and ensure their success.

Wishing everyone a joyful Holiday Season and a Happy New Year!

Mr. Steltenpohl

Counseling News

Submitted by: Jennifer Moore, MS/HS Counselor



College Bound Students

Launch of the 2025-26 FAFSA® Form [Prepare for and stay informed about the FAFSA launch](#). The 2025-26 Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA ®) form will be available in December 2024.

2024-25 ACT Test Dates

Juniors will take the ACT on March 12, 2025 at John Edwards High School.

Off-Site Test Dates are as follows: Registration Deadline
February 8, 2025 January 3, 2025

To register for any of these additional test dates, at your cost, please go to www.actstudent.org

2025-26 High School Class Registration

High school class registration packets for the 2025-26 school year will be coming home soon. Parents are asked to go over the course registration materials with their students. At the upperclassman level, we offer a variety of coursework that may be transferred to colleges and tech schools. We encourage students to take advantage of these offerings.

Caring Closet Winter Coats

John Edwards MS/HS has lightly used winter coats if you have a child in need. Please call the Counseling Department or have your child stop in to see us. We will try to accommodate their needs.

NCAA Eligibility

Any high school student considering playing sports at a Division I or Division II school should visit the NCAA Clearinghouse website to review academic eligibility. It is the student's responsibility to comply with all requirements. The website is www.ncaa.org/student-athletes/future/eligibility-

Notes from the Nurse

Submitted by: Katie Bortz, CESA 5 School Nurse

The holidays season is here and with that brings extra late nights, extra indulgence in sweetened beverages and sweet treats, and time spent outside of our typical routines. Over time, these habits can lead to a decrease in oral care. Did you know that poor oral hygiene is not only related to problems in the mouth, such as bad breath, tooth decay and gum disease but it is also linked to heart disease, increased risk for cancer, stroke, and increased respiratory tract infections. In addition, poor oral health has been linked to a lower self esteem which can decrease ones desire to socialize.

The keys to strong oral hygiene are simple:

- See a dentist twice a year
- Brush your teeth for 2 minutes, twice daily
- Floss regularly

In addition, a variety of other products to help you with oral hygiene are available. This includes dissolving tablets that cause plaque build up on teeth to change colors, making it easier to remove, electric toothbrushes that increase the friction between bristles and teeth and oral irrigators which shoot a strong stream of water in between teeth to remove debris and bacteria.

There are clinics in Wood County that offer reduced cost dental care to people who need those services. Reach out to the health office if you would like more information on that or other low cost health care opportunities.

As always, please let me know if there is anyway we can support your student's health!

HOSA Travels to Oshkosh

Members of the PESD HOSA chapter had the opportunity to travel to UW–Oshkosh on Thursday, November 7th to participate in the fall leadership conference. Students were able to attend breakout sessions of their choice, learn more about competitive event opportunities that they will have later in the school year, take a campus tour and experience the energy that HOSA events bring! A great time was had by all! Pictured from left to right are: Naomee Gruba, Makayla McGuffey, Nastaja Pate and Juliana Gutierrez.



Katie Bortz
CESA 5 School Nurse
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Fall Sport Recap

Submitted by: Max Ayres, Athletic Director



Nights in the rowdy Kastner gymnasium, grueling race venues with hundreds of runners, and Friday night lights have officially come to an end for the fall season. As we close the chapter on the 2024 Fall sports season, I think it would be a great opportunity for all of us to reflect on the many exciting moments the student-athletes provided for their family, friends, community, and our school.

To begin, the cross country team competed and scored as its own team for the first time in 22 years! The always-spirited and energetic Mr. Miller, welcomed 12 boys who competed at the middle and high school level. Without a senior on the team, juniors Rylee Duckart and Jasper Detlefsen led the young group of runners. Early in the year, Duckart finished first at the Nekoosa meet after an impressive race. Detlefsen shaved one minute and forty seconds off his time from the beginning of the year to the end. The team also sported some new jerseys and jackets and will look to build on their season success next fall.

Next, the volleyball team took the court with energy and enthusiasm this season. They welcomed 32 student-athletes on the team and competed as a freshman, JV, and varsity team. We would like to thank the four seniors who played volleyball and what they did for the program: Felicity Clouse, Kate Hewitt, Naomee Gruba, and MaKayla McGuffey. Good luck in your future! The coaching staff, led by Brian Strnad, will look to continue the program's success in the coming year. Thank you again to Lisa Miller and Kali Mayek for all of your hard work and dedication to the program over the past 30 years. Lastly, congratulations to senior Kate Hewitt on her selection to the volleyball All-Conference team (honorable mention).

Finally, the football team brought home a conference championship after an outstanding season finishing with a 7-3 record. The team clinched a playoff berth and was one of sixteen teams who made it. The team had 23 players, nine of whom were seniors. We would like to thank Brynden Beck, Max Michels, Arik Andreasen, Colby Grunden, Nolan Bastien, Jack Schraeder, Boden Kapellusch, Josh Tranel, and Tim Pillsbury for everything they did for the football program through the years. The team secured 13 spots on the all-conference team which included: Beck (1st team LB/RB), Michels (1st team DB/QB), Pillsbury (1st Team WR/HM LB), Andreasen (1st team OL/HM DL), Ayden Schumer (1st team DL/HM OL), Tranel (2nd team DB/HM K), and Sam Martinson (HM OL). Also, congratulations to Beck (Conference Defensive Player of the Year) and Michels (Conference Offensive Player of the Year) for their selections to the 5B All-Region team. It was a great season for the team and one that will be remembered for many years to come!

As I type this entry into the newsletter, we currently sit at 138 students in our 9-12 high school. Fall sports saw 61 student-athletes participate at the high school level which equates to about 44% of our student population. I challenge anyone who is reading this to encourage our students to participate in education-based athletics as they are an extension of the classroom and provide student-athletes with ample opportunities to learn more about who they are as a person. Thank you for reading this entry and if you have any questions or comments, please feel free to email me or if you'd like to chat, you can call me. I would love to hear your feedback.

Thank you, have an extraordinary day!

Mr. Ayres
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Day of Caring 2024

Submitted by: Tami Griffith

“Volunteering is the very core of being a human. No one has made it through life without someone else’s help.” – Heather French Henry

This year 24 Port Edwards students and two staff members volunteered their day off of school to rake 8 yards around Port Edwards. There seemed to be an unending amount of leaves this year. Thankfully the students took care of them. The students were smart and resourceful this year. One volunteer called her little brother to tell him “you’re so strong. And we could really use your muscles!” He ended up coming to help! That’s one way to recruit more help!



Meet Youth Success Coalition Partner: The LEO Program

The LEO (Learn and Empower Oneself) Program is an evidence-based, interactive substance prevention program that seeks to empower youth to understand their unique brains and quickly improve resilience, adaptability, and fearlessness in a rapidly changing world. By promoting higher-brain activation and resiliency through key tools, youth can reduce stress and anxiety, and improve memory, creativity, self-awareness, and overall quality of life – each of which are key factors in preventing substance use.

The LEO Program serves youth ages 12-20 and works with school and community partners to deliver program curriculum and one-on-one mentorship to youth. The LEO Program operates two separate contracts funded through the Brighter Futures Initiative Substance Prevention grant via the Wisconsin Department of Children and Families in both Adams County (operated by Adams County Health and Human Services in partnership with CW Solutions) and Wood County (operated by Wood County Human Services in partnership with CW Solutions). If you’re interested in learning more, connect with us at leoprogram@changewithin.net.



Boys Basketball Alumni Basketball Event Scheduled

Submitted by: Coach Justin Beck



The boys' basketball team will be having a recognition night for all those who played boys basketball at JEHS. On **Thursday, January 16th**, during halftime of the varsity game, we would like to honor you and your participation and contributions to the boys' basketball program. We have a non-conference game versus Bowler that night with the junior varsity game at 5:45 p.m. and the varsity game to follow at about 7:00 p.m.

Upon arriving, please check in with the ticket-seller so they can write down your name. You will get free admission into the game for attending and being recognized. There will be a social gathering afterwards at a site that is yet to be determined.

If you have any questions, please email Coach Justin Beck justinbeck82@gmail.com. We look forward to seeing you at the game!

Special Dates for the 2024-2025 Boys Basketball Program

(All dates JV 5:45 PM, Varsity 7:00 PM)

Boys Alumni Recognition	Thursday, 1/16 vs Pacelli (recognition at Varsity Halftime)
Youth Night	Friday, 1/24 vs Wildrose (recognition at beginning of Varsity)
Parents Night	Tuesday, 2/11 vs Bowler (recognition between games)
Senior Night	Thursday, 2/18 vs. Necedah (recognition at Varsity Halftime)

Middle School Boys Basketball Program

The boys middle school season is underway with both the 7th and 8th grade teams involved in great local competition. The coaching staff includes Jordan Griffith and Hunter Hewitt.

Port Edwards Basketball Club (PEBC)

Boys in grades 3-6 have been practicing since early November preparing for their traveling and/or YMCA seasons. Teams will participate in the local YMCA league and a variety of local tournaments. The club provides a wonderful opportunity for our boys to learn and appreciate the great game of basketball.



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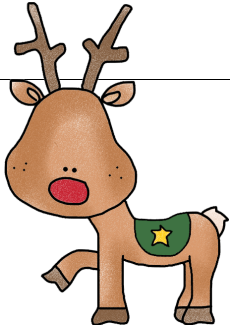
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16 All American Chicken Wrap Mashed Potatoes Mixed Veggies Peaches	17 WG Nachos Taco Meat Cheese Sauce Refried Beans Mandarin Oranges	18 Mac N Cheese Green Beans Pineapple Jell-O	19 French Toast Sticks Applesauce Juice Syrup	20 Mini Corn Dogs Hash Brown Patty Baked Beans Slushie No Alternate
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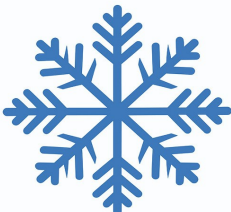
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6 Pepperoni French Bread Pizza Green Beans Peaches Ice Cream Cup	7 Chicken Noodle Soup Oyster Crackers Sub Sandwich Corn Pears	8 Cheese Ravioli Sauce Peas Pineapple Bosco Stick	9 Chicken Patty WG Bun Pasta Baked Beans Mandarin Oranges	10 Grilled Cheese Tomato Soup Cheez-Its Peas Apple Slices Cheese Pizza
13 Meatloaf Mashed Potatoes Gravy Sweet Potatoes Peaches Dinner Roll	14 Mini Tacos Spanish Rice Refried Beans Orange Wedges Salsa/Sour Cream	15 Baked Potato Bar Diced Ham Shredded Cheese Broccoli Blueberries Rice Krispie Treat	16 Popcorn Chicken Mashed Potatoes Gravy Corn Pears Dinner Roll	17 Sloppy Joes WG Bun Baked Chips Coleslaw Applesauce Mozzarella Dippers
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Port Edwards School District

October/November 2024 Construction Update

PROJECT DATES

- April 2024 - December 2026

BUDGET

- \$7,300,000.00

REMAINING FUNDS

- \$6,226,854.85

CLIENT

- Port Edwards School District

LOCATIONS

- Port Edwards MS/HS
801 2nd Street
Port Edwards, WI 54469
- Port Edwards ES
951 5th Street
Port Edwards, WI 54469

PROJECT MANAGER(S)

- Tony Menard
Brian Antczak
Nate Curell

CONTRACTOR UPDATES



- Auth Consulting (ACA): Working on design development.
- Masonry contracts are executed.
- District IT Upgrades and Elementary School pocket tables projects going to bid soon.
- Summer 2025 projects are out for bid:
 - Elementary School abatement and flooring installation
 - General contract for Elementary School gym wall partition and Middle School/High School acoustic ceiling
- **Total of Contracts Issued to Date: \$1,070,145.15**

TECHNICAL EDUCATION WORK COMPLETED



- Contracts issued since last update:
 - Brack Thermal for abatement
 - Holton Brothers, Inc. for masonry repairs at the Middle School/High School



A construction update will be provided monthly by CESA 10 to communicate the project budget, recent work, and upcoming deliverables.

PORT EDWARDS PUBLIC SCHOOLS

Business Meeting of the Board of Education

5:30 p.m., Wednesday, September 11, 2024 – Elementary IMC, Fifth Street., Port Edwards, WI

Minutes

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

Roll Call

PRESENT: John Daven, Leo Thomasgard, Kathy McGrath, Cary Hildebrandt, Dana Duncan(arrived at 5:40)

ABSENT: None

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

Others Present: Shane Steltenpohl

1. Consider Approval of Agenda

Motion by McGrath, second by Thomasgard to approve the agenda as presented. Voting yes – all. Motion carried.

2. President's Report

A. Board Member Attendance

President Daven reported that Board members were in attendance.

B. Next Board Meeting

President Daven reported that the next meeting of the Board of Education will be September 24, 2024 and October 28, 2024.

3. Administrative Reports

A. Elementary Principal Report - Superintendent Bena

Principal Bena reported that the theme for this year is "Going for the Gold" and stated that the start of the year was successful. The character trait for September is kindness. Elementary students that exemplify kindness will be recognized at the end of the month. Principal Bena reported that PEPO will be sponsoring a fundraiser at El Café on Friday, September 13th. He also reported that the fire department will be teaching fire safety to 4K – 6th grade students on October 15th& 16th.

B. Middle School/High School Principal Report - Principal Steltenpohl

Principal Steltenpohl also reported that the start of the year was successful. Mr. Steltenpohl held a pep rally the first day of school. During the pep rally he shared information on procedures for the new school year. Principal Steltenpohl shared the new cell phone procedure and stated that the students have been following the new process with no issues at this time. He reported that the GRIT program is taking off, several coupons have been filled out. Principal Steltenpohl reported that preparation for Homecoming has begun and he looks forward to bringing back old traditions such as Powder Puff.

C. District Administrator Report - Superintendent Bena

Superintendent Bena reported that part of next summer's phase one project will be replacing the elementary gym floor tile and new cafeteria tables. The district will be putting in a dense rubber flooring and new pocket tables will replace the existing tables.

Superintendent Bena reported that we are looking to sell the greenhouse as it has been used very little and the cost to update is costly. Frank Neve is looking to see if he can find a buyer.

Superintendent Bena reported that the faculty are in the second year of curriculum writing and this year they will be focusing on scope and sequence.

Mr. Bena shared that Special Education Director, Jodi Waltenberg, is doing outstanding work. She has rolled out a new program, Student Intervention Team to our elementary, middle and high school. These SIT teams bring any staff member together that works with a child in need to develop strategies to help the student.

4. Questions and Comments from People in Attendance

None

CONSENT AGENDA:

5. Consider Approval of Minutes of Past Meeting – August 21, 2024.

Motion by McGrath, second by Duncan to approve the minutes of the past meeting. Voting yes – all. Motion carried.

6. Consider Approval of Financial Reports

A. Check Summaries August 1-31, 2024

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B. Cash Receipt Summary.....August 1-31, 2024

C. District Revenue Report August 1-31, 2024

D. District Expenditures Report August 1-31, 2024

E. August Cash Balance Report

G. Budget Revision

H. Consider Approval of Gifts

Business Director, Lisa Miller, reported the following donations:

Solarus – Annual Partners in Education Donation - \$1400

Wisconsin Rapids Veterans Affairs – school supplies

Patricia Ellenberger – several games for the Earlybird Program

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

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

None

NEW BUSINESS:

7. Opportunity for Individual Board Member Comment

McGrath – Stated what a great start of the school year at both buildings.

Cary – Stated it is excellent to hear all the good things happening.

Leo – Shared that Thursday, 9/26, the Retired Educators of Central Wisconsin will be hosting two sessions on vouchers and voting maps.

8. Establish Future Board Meetings

Tuesday, September 24, 2024 Special Session Meeting at 4:30 p.m. – Elementary IMC

Monday, October 28, 2024, Executive Session at 4:30 (if needed); Business Meeting at 5:00 p.m. Budget Hearing and Annual Meeting, 6:00p.m. – Elementary IMC

Wednesday, November 13, 2024, Executive Session at 5:00 (if needed); Business Meeting at 5:30 p.m. – Elementary IMC

9. Call for Adjournment

Motion by Hildebrandt, second by Thomasgard to adjourn the meeting. Voting yes – all. Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 6:11 p.m.

Lisa Miller, Acting Secretary

PORT EDWARDS PUBLIC SCHOOL
Special Session of the Board of Education
4:30 p.m., Monday, September 24, 2024 – Elementary IMC, Fifth Street, Port Edwards, WI

Special Session Minutes

Meeting called to order by Vice President, Dana Duncan at 4:36 p.m.

Roll Call

PRESENT: John Daven(arrived at 4:45), Leo Thomasgard, Kathy McGrath, Cary Hildebrandt, Dana Duncan

ABSENT: None

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

1. Consider Approval of Agenda

Motion by Thomasgard, second by McGrath to approve the agenda as posted. Voting yes – all. Motion carried.

2. Referendum Update

Lindsey Schreiner and Tony Menard from CESA 10 shared a referendum project update on the HVAC and electrical needs at the elementary building, noting that there will be an increase to the project. CESA 10 and the Board reviewed the addition of air conditioning in the middle/high school building. It was decided that the district will move forward with the proposed option of updating the middle/high school building with a chiller.

3. Consider Approval of Cooperative Agreements (66.030)

A. Nekoosa School District

Motion by Duncan, second by McGrath to approve the Nekoosa School District Cooperative Agreement (66.030). Voting yes – all. Motion carried.

4. Call for Adjournment

Motion by Duncan, second by Thomasgard to adjourn the meeting. Voting yes – Daven, Thomasgard, McGrath, Hildebrandt and Duncan. Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 5:16 p.m.

Lisa Miller, acting secretary

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