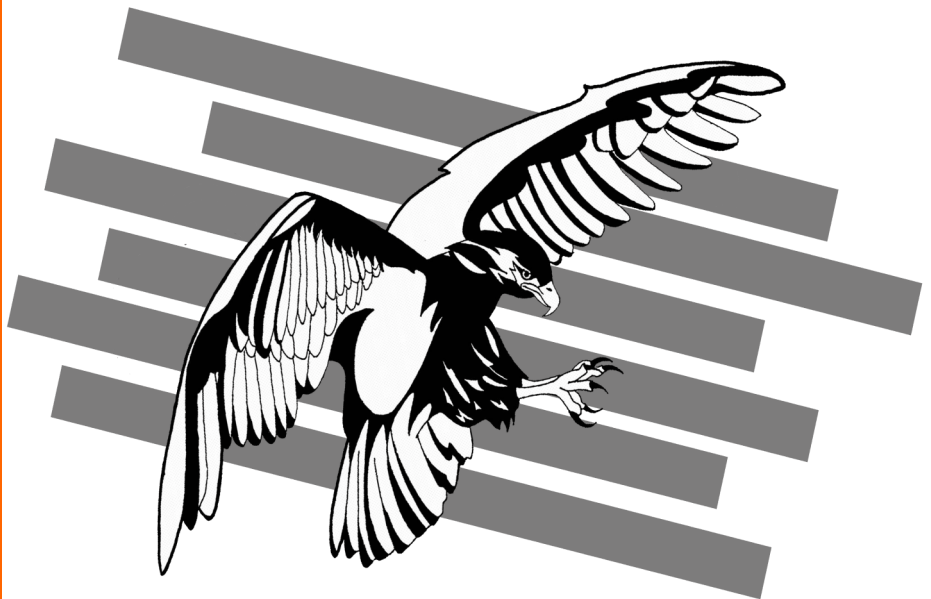


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One Student at a Time*

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DISTRICT & ELEMENTARY NEWS

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



“PORT PRIDE” at Ed Heuer Elementary School!

Thank you to the Port Edwards Parent Organization for their recent purchase of a “PORT PRIDE” school sign, located on the chain-link fence near the front entrance of Ed Heuer Elementary School. The sign is from the *Put-In-Cups Company*, and comprised of dozens of small, plastic cups inserted into the fence and fastened together. Thank you to Mrs. Kristen Winters, Elementary Teacher, for working with PEPO on the sign purchase and to Mrs. Natasha Mentch, K-12 Art Teacher, for using her skills to install it!



May & June events

The end of the school year is filled with enjoyable events for our students! Some of the celebrations & activities happening in our hallways as we bring 2023-24 to a close include:

- May 6 – Middle & High School Band Concert
- May 7 – Middle & High School Choir Concert
- May 10 – “Muffins In The Morning” PEPO family event (6:45 am)
- May 14 – Elementary Choral Concert (AM)
- May 22 – Senior Dessert (6:00 PM)
- May 24 – JEHS Variety Show (6:00 PM)
- June 1 – JEHS Commencement Ceremony (11:00 AM)
- June 3 – PEPO Elementary Carnival (afternoon)

The Referendum is over – what is happening next?

The Port Edwards community showed its support for Port Edwards Schools by supporting both operational and capital referendum questions on April 2. On Monday, April 8, P.E.S.D. leadership met with CESA 10 staff to plan details for the first set of Building and Grounds projects that will be taking place this upcoming summer. At John Edwards Middle and High School, masonry repairs, roof exhaust, and asbestos abatement will be addressed, while maintenance and repairs to the electrical system are scheduled for Ed Heuer Elementary School. Repairs are scheduled based on a number of factors, including lead time for purchasing materials and hiring contractors. The projects that were listed as part of the capital referendum project are scheduled for the summers of 2024, 2025, and 2026.

MIDDLE/HIGH SCHOOL NEWS

Submitted by: Donna Shroda, 6-12 Principal



During the 2023-2024 school year, our staff utilized the b.e.s.t program to help build our school climate and relationships with our students. There were 26 descriptors to utilize and a very important one was 'praise'. The program encourages praise frequently, using it enthusiastically, being specific, and reinforcing it often. In the last newsletter of the school year, I want to take the opportunity to practice this and send a warm appreciation to the students and staff who make our school amazing!

I want to send a BIG thank you to those students who...

- come to school every day
- are on time for school and class
- smile in the morning, with bonus greeting
- apply themselves
- come to class prepared
- follow school policies
- pay attention during academic time
- use their cell phone at appropriate times
- attempt homework
- respect their teachers and peers
- act as a positive role model
- show school spirit
- wait their turn in the lunch line
- support their classmates
- use appropriate language
- keep their locker clean and locked
- handle their Chromebook with care
- take risks
- are a team player
- celebrate success

I would also like to extend a HUGE thank you to the parents who support us in many ways...

- Making education a priority
- Having your student in-seat everyday
- Communicating with school
- Focusing on academics
- Knowing, understanding, and supporting school policies
- Calling when you have questions
- Being a positive Blackhawk
- Attending parent-teacher conferences
- Helping with homework
- Replenishing school supplies
- Enforcing the dress code at home
- Attending games, concerts, and theater events
- Volunteering and chaperoning
- Working concessions
- Being a team player
- Applauding success

News from the Middle and High School Counseling Department

Submitted by: Jennifer Moore, MS/HS Counselor

Senior Dessert

All seniors and their parents are invited to join us on **Wednesday, May 22nd at 6:30 p.m.** in the cafeteria to recognize the achievements of the Class of 2024. We encourage all of our seniors to attend.

Remaining Off-Site ACT Test Dates

ACT Testing Dates: _____ Register By: _____
June 8, 2024 May 3, 2024
School Code 501840

Graduation Ceremony

We encourage everyone in the community to come and celebrate the graduation of the CLASS OF 2024, **Saturday, June 1st at 11:00 a.m.**

***Congratulations to this year's senior class.
We wish you success in your future endeavors!***

*Dakota Bares
Chase Baumgart
Korbin Boerner
Nakita Borths
Javon Chism
Jadan DeMarco
Alexander Deptula
Isabeau Dobush
Nadia Ellingson
Joseph Fine
Annalise Friday
Easton Gasch
Eladio Hernandez
Hayden Hewitt
Marcus Jorgensen
David Lyp*



*Tyler Martinson
Erik Mock
Adam Mueller
Brandice Nieman
Charlie O'Connor
Carsen Orheim
Logan Parker
Dallas Pregler
Mia Rogers
Alliyah Ruiz
Nathan Schwantes
Aubree Shroda
Lilyann Sillars
Hennessy Sturgul
Abagail Tranel
Emmanuel Van Lysal*

Notes from the Nurse

Submitted by: Katie Bortz, CESA 5 School Nurse

Greetings! It is hard to believe that the end of the school year is just about upon us! I have enjoyed helping to care for the health needs of your children this year! There are many things to think about as we approach the last month of school. Here are just a few reminders from the health office:

End of School Year Medication Pick up – Please pick up ALL medications from the school health office by 3:30pm on Thursday, June 5th. Stop by either office and a staff member will bring the medication out to you. If you selected to have medications sent home with your student on the medication form, please make a note to check backpacks for medications that evening as they will be sent home that day. If your student is attending summer school, please contact the office or health office staff so arrangements can be made. If medication is not picked up from the health office by 3:30pm on Thursday, June 5th, and your child is not attending summer school, it will be considered abandoned. Abandoned medication will be destroyed in accordance with local, state, and federal laws. We do NOT keep any meds in the health office over the summer.

New Health Forms/Meds for the 2024-25 School Year - With each new school year, it is necessary to update your child's Health Forms in the school health office. All students with medical conditions or medications must submit new paperwork each school year.

Immunizations: If you have a rising 7th grader, please contact your student's primary care provider to see if they will need any required immunizations before school resumes in September. All students entering the 7th grade are required to have received the Tdap booster or have a signed waiver on file.

Wishing you and your student a great summer and end of the school year. Thank you, and please do not hesitate to call or email me with any questions!

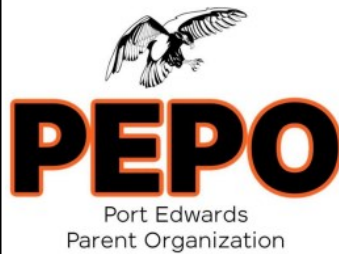
Addition to the MS/HS Safety Area

In April, the John Edwards middle/high school took another step to promote safety both inside the school building and outside its walls in the Port Edwards community. Utilizing a free program, provided by a partnership between UW-Madison and Wisconsin Voices for Recovery, we were able to have a nalox-zone box installed in the bus lobby, next to our other life saving tools and first aid kit. The mission of the nalox-zone program is to increase access to Narcan by distributing as many boxes as possible around Wisconsin. This supports both safety and harm reduction in an effort to save lives and prevent deaths by opioid overdose. The box is monitored by staff daily and its contents are available to anyone who may need this resource.



Katie Bortz
CESA 5 School Nurse
608-617-2635
bortzk@cesa5.org

A message from Port Edwards Parent Organization



PEPO will host Muffins with Me on Friday, May 10th from 6:45 a.m. -7:30 a.m. Hopefully your students invited a special person to enjoy muffins with. We always enjoy hosting these fun, free events to promote family and school bonding.

We hope you were able to participate in our Spring fundraiser which was selling gift cards to Roger's Cinema. We were able to profit 15% of the sales so stay tuned for the results of the fundraiser. We are planning on using these funds to offset the cost of our year-end carnival and other fun events.

Speaking of the year-end carnival, you heard right! PEPO is planning on hosting a year-end carnival. This will take place in the afternoon of June 3rd during the school day. If the weather is inclement, the rain date is June 4th. We are going to have a picnic-style lunch, games, stations of fun and treats.

Don't forget we have our Blackhawk apparel sale open year round now!! Blackhawk apparel makes great birthday gifts or anytime gifts. Please use the following link to access the store: <https://1stplace.sale/101560>. Orders are through 1st Place Spiritwear and PEPO earns 10% of all sales. What a great way to support PEPO and get some new and exciting Blackhawk apparel.

Our next PEPO meeting is Wednesday, May 15th in the elementary school library. As the year comes to a close, we hope you were able to enjoy all of the family events this year. We also hope that you keep that in mind in the Fall when our meetings come around. We would love to have more faces to help make PEPO as great as it is. We want more voices to help bring more fun, free family events.

PORT EDWARDS SCHOOL DISTRICT

Thank you for passing both referendum questions and supporting our schools!

Thank you!

The operational referendum received 64% support, while the capital referendum saw a 58% approval rating. You can follow our construction progress at www.pesd.org/district/referendum.cfm.



2024 SPRING REFERENDUM



Port Edwards Education Foundation 18th Annual Blackhawk Scramble

Monday, June 24, 2024
Lake Arrowhead Golf Club ~ Pines Course

1195 Apache Lane, Nekoosa, WI 54457
(715) 325-2929
www.lakearrowheadgolf.com

TIME: 9:30 a.m. registration & driving range
11:00 a.m. Shotgun Start

COST: \$85 each / \$340 per foursome

Includes greens fee, cart rental, range balls, prizes,

NEW this year:::both a bag lunch and a dinner included

Blackhawk Scramble Registration

Golfers _____, _____
_____, _____

Address _____

Phone _____



Make checks payable to "PEEF"

Mail with registration form to Port Edwards Education Foundation, P.O. Box 99,
Port Edwards, WI 54469

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FOR INFORMATION: Contact Sharon Morell (715-340-0155), email scmorell@charter.net or
Corey Searles 715-884-6650 or Sue Mitchell (715-213-0156) email mitchell5@charter.net

Sponsor \$100.00 _____ Prize Sponsor _____

COMPANY _____

CONTACT PERSON _____

TELEPHONE _____

Consider honoring a family member, classmate, or friend by sponsoring a hole in their name.

PORT EDWARDS COMMUNITY BAND!

**Monday night rehearsals 6pm-7:30pm at
the HS starting June 10th**

**Peformance at The Lions Club Picnic
July 23rd.**

**Welcoming current and returning
players of the central Wisconsin area of
all ages!**

**Email Emilie Anderson at
anderem@pesd.k12.wi.us
with any questions**



Elementary Spotlight

Submitted by: Kala Dorshorst, Elementary Teacher

March's character trait was Cooperation. The PK-5th grade students did a great job. These were the students who were recognized for showing Cooperation.



Harley

4K Students



Nehemiah

Kindergarten-5th Grade



Front Row: Hayley, Mia, Thomas, Lane, Easton, Elijah, Frederick, Liam
Back Row: Austin, Neveah, Jace, Scott, Jesse, Noah, Caden, Jackson, Adella
Not Pictured: Tucker, Levi, and Charytee

Mark Your Calendar for the Great Book Giveaway!

United Way of South Wood & Adams Counties is dedicated to preventing the summer slide & giving kids the tools they need to succeed—which is why every year, free books are available through the Great Book Giveaway!

At these events, volunteers read aloud, then each child picks books to keep. Reading with young children helps brain development, boosts literacy skills, and improves school readiness. Join us at this year's events listed below!

For more information contact Ben at 715-421-0390 or ben@uwsvac.org.

Monday, June 10th—10:30am @Building Blocks

Tuesday, June 11th—10:30am @THINK Academy

Tuesday, June 11th—1:30pm @Wisconsin Rapids Zoo

Wednesday, June 12th—10:30am @Port Edwards Elementary

Wednesday, June 12th—6:30pm @McMillan Library

Thursday, June 13th—10:30am @YMCA (Wisconsin Rapids)

Thursday, June 13th—1:30pm @Nekoosa Library

Friday, June 14th—10:30am @Adams County Library

Friday, June 14th—1:30pm @Rome Library

Tuesday, June 18th—12:30pm @Vesper Library



May 2024 ES Breakfast Menu

Middle/High School

Breakfast Prices:

All Students: \$1.60 Adults: \$2.45

Menus Subject to Change

This institution is a equal opportunity provider.

Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri
		1 Chex mix Cheese Stick Fruit Juice Milk	2 WG Glazed Donut Fruit Juice Milk	3 Frudel Fruit Juice Milk
6 Yogurt Granola Fruit Juice Milk	7 Mini Waffles Syrup Fruit Juice Milk	8 Caramel Cinni Mini Yogurt Fruit Juice Milk	9 Banana Bread Fruit Juice Milk	10 Frudel Fruit Juice Milk
13 Fuel 4U Cereal Kit Fruit Juice Milk	14 Bug Bites Cheese Stick Fruit Juice Milk	15 Mini Cinni Fruit Juice Milk	16 Bagel Cheese Stick Fruit Juice Milk	17 Frudel Fruit Juice Milk
20 Cereal Bar Cheese Stick Fruit Juice Milk	21 Mini Pancakes Syrup Fruit Juice Milk	22 WG Muffin Cheese Stick Fruit Juice Milk	23 Breakfast Pizza Fruit Juice Milk	24 Frudel Fruit Juice Milk
27 No School!	28 Caramel Cinni Mini Yogurt Fruit Juice Milk	29 Smuckers Fruit Juice Milk	30 Cereal Bar Cheese Stick Fruit Juice Milk	31 Frudel Fruit Juice Milk

May 2024 ES Lunch Menu

Alternate Lunch Choice:

Monday: Smuckers

Tuesday: Taco Salad

Wednesday: Turkey Wrap

Thursday: Chef Salad

Friday: Cheese Pizza

LUNCH PRICES:

Elementary: \$2.60 Middle School: \$2.75

High School: \$2.80 Adults: \$4.08

Menus Subject to Change

This institution is an equal opportunity provider.

Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri
		1 Hot dog WG Bun French Fries Baked Beans Mixed Fruit	2 Rotini Meatballs & Sauce Garlic Bread Warm Apple Slices Peas	3 Big Daddy's Pizza Green Beans Banana Ice Cream Sandwich No Alternate
6 Hamburger WG Bun French Fries Baked Beans Slushie	7 Popcorn Chicken Mashed Potatoes Gravy Corn Pears	8 Hot Ham & Cheese Curly Fries Green Beans Peaches Sherbet Cups	9 Chicken Nuggets Mashed Potatoes Broccoli Grapes Sauces	10 Grilled Cheese Tomato Soup Cheez-its Peas Apple Slices
13 All American Chicken Wrap Mashed Potatoes Mixed Veggies Applesauce	14 Baked Potato Bar Diced Ham Shredded Cheese Broccoli Peaches Dinner Roll	15 Pretzel Bun Sub Sandwich Baked Chips Baked Beans Mandarin Oranges	16 Chicken Patty WG Bun Pasta Cooked Carrots Pears	17 Mozzarella Dippers Pizza Sauce Corn Banana
20 Calzone Marinara Sauce Pears Peas Pudding Cup	21 Meatloaf Mashed Potatoes Gravy Sweet Potatoes Peaches Dinner Roll	22 Chicken Quesadilla Spanish Rice Refried Beans Orange Wedges Salsa/Sour Cream	23 Lasagna Roll Garlic Bread Green Beans Pineapples	24 Sloppy Joes WG Bun Baked Chips Coleslaw Applesauce
27 No School!	28 Chicken Alfredo Penne Pasta Broccoli Peaches Cookie	29 Softshell Tacos Spanish Rice Pears Refried Beans Salsa/Sour cream	30 Chicken Patty WG Bun Pasta Cooked Carrots Mandarin Oranges	31 Mini Corn Dog Hash Brown Patty Baked Beans Banana

May 2024 MS/HS Breakfast Menu

Middle/High School

Breakfast Prices:

All Students: \$1.60 Adults: \$2.45

Menus Subject to Change

This institution is a equal opportunity provider.

Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri
		1 WG Muffin Sunflower Seeds Fruit Juice Milk	2 WG Glazed Donut Cheese Stick Fruit Juice Milk	3 Frudel Cheese Stick Apple Slices Juice Milk
6 Cereal Yogurt Fruit Juice Milk	7 Omelet Bagel Fruit Juice Milk	8 Banana Bread Sunflower Seeds Fruit Juice Milk	9 Strawberry Cream Cheese Bagel Fruit Juice Milk	10 Cinnamon Roll Cheese Stick Banana Juice Milk
13 Pop-Tart Yogurt Fruit Juice Milk	14 Breakfast Sandwich on Croissant Fruit Juice Milk	15 Chex Mix Yogurt Fruit Juice Milk	16 Mini Pancakes Syrup Sunflower Seeds Fruit Juice Milk	17 Cinnamon Roll Cheese Stick Apple Slices Juice Milk
20 Cereal Yogurt Fruit Juice Milk	21 Omelet Bagel Fruit Juice Milk	22 WG Muffin Sunflower Seeds Fruit Juice Milk	23 WG Glazed Donut Cheese Stick Fruit Juice Milk	24 Frudel Cheese Stick Banana Juice Milk
27 No School!	28 Breakfast Sandwich on Croissant Fruit Juice Milk	29 Waffle Envy Syrup Cheese Stick Fruit Juice Milk	30 WG Banana Bread Cheese Stick Fruit Juice Milk	31 Frudel Cheese Stick Apple Slices Juice Milk

May 2024 MS/HS Lunch Menu

Alternate Lunch Choice:

Monday: Smuckers

Tuesday: Taco Salad

Wednesday: Turkey Wrap

Thursday: Chef Salad

Friday: Cheese Pizza

LUNCH PRICES:

Elementary: \$2.60 Middle School: \$2.75

High School: \$2.80 Adults: \$4.08

Menus Subject to Change

This institution is an equal opportunity provider.

Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri
		1 Chicken Fajitas Spanish Rice Refried Beans Peaches Salsa/Sour Cream	2 Rotini Meatballs & Sauce Peas Warm Apple Slices Garlic Bread	3 Big Daddy's Pizza Pasta Salad Green Beans Banana Ice Cream Sandwich No Alternate
6 Chicken Dummies Mashed Potatoes Baked Beans Slushie Dinner roll	7 Popcorn Chicken Mashed Potatoes Gravy Corn Pears Dinner Roll	8 Hot Ham & Cheese Curly Fries Pineapple Baked Beans Sherbet Cup	9 Beef or Chicken Burrito Bowls Rice/Chips Refried Beans Corn Grapes	10 Grilled Cheese Tomato Soup Cheez-its Apple Slices Peas
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27 No School!	28 Chicken Alfredo Penne Pasta Broccoli Peaches Breadstick	29 Softshell Tacos Spanish Rice Pears Refried Beans Salsa/Sour Cream	30 Chicken Patty WG Bun Pasta Jell-O Cooked Carrots Mandarin Oranges	31 Mini Corn Dogs Hash Brown Patty Baked Beans Banana Sugar Cookie

PORT EDWARDS PUBLIC SCHOOLS

Business Meeting of the Board of Education

5:30 p.m., Wednesday, March 13, 2023 – Elementary School, 5th Street, Port Edwards, WI

Minutes

Meeting called to order by President John Daven at 5:34 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: Donna Shroda, Sheena Vitello, Kristen Winters, Natasha Mentch, Teresa Guillemot

1. Consider Approval of Agenda

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

2. Report from Student Representatives, Student Recognition

Student Council members, Dakota Bares and Taylin McDonald reported on the current activities at JEHS:

Winter sports finished their seasons and this week softball and track began practicing and baseball will begin next Monday.

High school band and choir performed their second concert of the year. Members of the band and choir are busy preparing for state solo and ensemble which will be held in Stevens Point. In April, the music department will be going to see Fiddler on the Roof at the Fireside Theater in Fort Atkinson. Forensics recently competed at Lincoln High School and will be traveling to Stevens Point to perform at the district level. National Honor Society has been volunteering in the community and recently created Valentine's Day cards for veterans and active members of the armed forces with the students at the elementary school.

3. President's Report

A. Board Member Attendance

President Daven reported that all board members were in attendance.

B. Reading of DPI Proclamations—National School Breakfast Program

President Daven read the proclamation.

C. Next Board Meeting

President Daven reported that the next meeting of the Board of Education will be April 10, 2024.

4. Administrative Reports

A. Elementary Principal Report - Principal Bena

Principal Bena stated that the Food Service Department was recognized by the district in honor of National School Breakfast Week. He praised them for the work they do for our children. Principal Bena reported on the character trait for February, cooperation. Students that exemplify cooperation will be nominated by his/her teacher and will be recognized at the end of March. Tina McLaughlin and Amanda Wilhorn were co-leaders for an American Heart Association fundraiser. A penny war was held and \$4293 was raised. On Friday night PEPO will be sponsoring a Hawaiian dance in the elementary school and is open to all students accompanied by an adult. Principal Bena thanked Sheena Vitello for her coordination of events during Read Across America week, it was a successful week. Principal Bena reported that earlier this week, Ed Heuer Elementary School was recognized as one of the best elementary schools in Wisconsin by US News and World Report.

B. District Administrator Report – Superintendent Bena

Superintendent Bena gave an update on the referendum. Superintendent Bena stated that an informational post card will be sent to all homes and at the end of the month a group of staff members will be canvassing in the community.

Ms. Miller and Mr. Bena have met with the IT team to work on our cyber response plan. Mr. Bena stated that he and Ms. Miller will be meeting with USI to discuss health insurance rates for the 2024-25 school year on April 15th.

C. Guest Speakers:

- Sheena Vitello/Kristen Winters—Act 20

Mrs. Vitello and Mrs. Winters shared a slide show with the Board on Act 20. Act 20 states that all Wisconsin schools are required to provide science-based early literacy instruction in both universal and intervention settings. Science-based early literacy instruction is defined as the following.

Instruction that is systematic and explicit and consists of all the following:

Phonological awareness

Phonemic awareness

Phonics

Building background knowledge

Oral language development

Vocabulary building

Instruction in writing

Instruction in comprehension

Reading fluency

All districts will be using the same screening assessments. One screener for 4K and one screener for students in grades K – 3.

- Natasha Mentch—Visual Arts Club

Mrs. Mentch shared information on the Visual Arts Club and their current activities. Recently student's art work was on display at the Alexander House. Mrs. Mentch stated that the art club has become a huge success for both middle school students and high school students. On average, there are 25 high school students and 45 middle school students that attend the meetings. Students made Christmas cards and are planning to paint a mural in the art room. Mrs. Mentch reported that 11 high school students competed in the Visual Arts Classic at UW-Stevens Point which included drawing painting and mixed media. The students were very successful. Mr. Bena thanked Mrs. Mentch for her dedication to the students and for giving our students this opportunity.

5. Questions and Comments from People in Attendance

Teresa Guillemot—Special Ed Teacher—Stated that Act 20 is a good thing and will be beneficial to our students and informed the Board of a podcast, Sold a Story, very informational.

CONSENT AGENDA:

6. Consider Approval of Minutes of Past Meeting – February 14, 2024.

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

7. Consider Approval of Financial Reports

- A. Check Summaries February 1-29, 2024
#34605 - 34681 & 202300838 - 202300974 - \$367,461.64
- B. District Revenues Report February 1-29, 2024
- C. District Expenditures Report February 1-29, 2024
- D. February Cash Balance Report
- E. February Cash Receipt Report
- F. February Substitutes Report
- G. Budget Revisions
- H. Consider Approval of Gifts
Business Director Miller reported the following gifts:
Local 94—Donation to Families Helping Families
Elementary Student donated \$10 to the school district as the student heard about the referendum and wanted to help.

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

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

8. PESD Policy Updates (2nd Reading)

Motion by Duncan, second by McGrath to approve the 2nd reading of the policy updates. Voting yes – all. Motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS:

9. Consider Approval of 2024-25 CESA 5 Service Contract

Motion by Duncan, second by Daven to approve the 2024-25 CESA 5 Service Contract. Voting yes – all. Motion carried.

10. Consider Approval of Start College Now Applications—Fall 2024

Motion by Duncan, second by Hildebrandt to approve the Start College Now applications for Fall 2024. Voting yes – all. Motion carried.

11. Opportunity for Individual Board Member Comment

McGrath – Complimented the music teachers on their recent performances. Mrs. McGrath stated that our district has a lot of talent and was very impressed. We have so many opportunities for our students which makes us a wonderful school district.

Hildebrandt – Thanked Natasha Mentch for all of the work she is putting into the Visual Arts Club and thanked the student council members for their update.

Thomasgard – Stated how important that the skill of reading is and the district will support our teachers as they work on implementing Act 20

Daven – Stated he enjoyed the guest speakers this evening and encouraged people to exercise their right to vote and vote on April 2nd.

12. Establish Future Board Meetings

Wednesday, April 10, 2024, Executive Session at 5:00 (if needed); Business Meeting at 5:30 p.m. – Elementary IMC

13. 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 6:50 p.m.

Lisa Miller, acting secretary

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