REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION SCHOOL DISTRICT OF BELOIT March 24, 2015

The Board of Education held its regular meeting on March 24, 2015 at the Kolak Education Center in the Board Room. President Winkelmann called the meeting to order at 7:05 p.m.

Members Present: John Acomb, Nora Gard, Missy Henderson, Michael Ramsdail, Shannon Scharmer and John Winkelmann. Also present: Tom Johnson, Interim Superintendent.

Ramsdail moved approval of the agenda. Seconded by Scharmer. Motion carried unanimously of the members present. Acomb led the group in the pledge of allegiance. Ramsdail gave the announcements for March.

Melissa Badger, along with Dr. Tina Salzman, BMHS Principal, recognized the volunteerism and talents of district students at this year's Martin Luther King Jr. Commemoration. Badger also recognized outstanding staff members Nicole Davidson, Susan Bailey and Tracy Schoville, with the assistance of their building principals from Merrill and BLA/RCAA. She then, along with Chuck Seils, Athletic and Activities Director recognized Brian Denu who received top honors, among them being named the Wisconsin Soccer Coaches Association's Large School Coach of the Year for Boys' Soccer in 2014.

Winkelmann opened up the podium for citizens to speak on items not on the agenda. No one came forward. Johnson introduced Stephanie Jacobs, Principal, who provided an update on Converse Elementary School.

Maisie Lewis & Kolten Bell shared the happenings at the high school. Ramsdail reviewed the topics of the March Finance, Transportation and Property Committee meeting. Acomb reviewed the topics of the March Curriculum and Instruction Committee meeting. Gard reviewed the February Special and March Regular Policy and Personnel Committee meetings.

Ramsdail moved approval of the consent list: 1) Special Board Meetings of February 23, February 24 and March 10, 2015; 2) Regular Business Meeting of February 24, 2015 and 3) Approval of January Financial Summary. Seconded by Acomb. The motion carried unanimously of the members present.

Ramsdail moved approval of awarding television purchases to Vantage Point Corporation Innovation for a period of three years at cost plus 2%. Seconded by Acomb. The motion carried unanimously of the members present.

Ramsdail moved approval of the purchase of a video surveillance system for Aldrich Intermediate including materials and labor costs from Enterprise Services Group in the amount of \$73,716.67. Seconded by Acomb. Motion carried unanimously of the members present.

Acomb moved approval of awarding the musical instrument purchases for Fran Fruzen Intermediate School to Voigt Music Center, Inc. in the amount of \$64,537.56. Seconded by Gard. Motion carried 5-1, with Ramsdail abstaining.

Ramsdail moved approval of the budget adjustments as listed in the March 24, 2015 business agenda book. Seconded by Acomb. Motion carried unanimously of the members present.

Acomb moved approval of adopting the Junior Great Books instructional materials. Seconded by Henderson. Motion carried unanimously of the members present.

Henderson moved approval of adopting the Common Core State Standards. Seconded by Acomb with the friendly amendment adding, "with addition of English Language Arts and Mathematics for K-12. It is understood that the common core standards represent a basic level of understanding and the district is free to go above and beyond the level of understanding should it choose to do so." Henderson accepted the friendly amendment. Motion carried unanimously of the members present.

Scharmer moved approval of adopting the Next Generation Science Standards Adoption. Seconded by Henderson. Motion carried unanimously of the members present.

Gard moved approval of the revisions and layover of Policy 343.7 District Online Learning for first reading. Seconded by Henderson. Motion carried unanimously of the members present.

Scharmer moved approval of the revisions and layover of Policy 443.2 Student Conduct on School Buses for first reading. Seconded by Henderson. Motion carried unanimously of the members present.

Gard moved approval of the revisions of Policy 367 School Counseling Program, 367 RULE 1 Regulations of the School Counseling Program and 367 RULE 2 Role of the Classroom Teacher in School Counseling for final reading with clarifying 367 Rule 1 #5 B1) to see if it was removed in the last reading before presentation of the final copy. Seconded by Henderson. Acomb made a friendly amendment to remove the word values from Policy 367 #5 and use only cultural norms and perspectives. Seconded by Gard. Members discussed their thoughts on this amendment. The motion to amend failed 2-4 with Henderson, Ramsdail, Scharmer and Winkelmann voting in the negative. The original motion carried unanimously of the members present.

Gard moved approval of the revisions of Policy 443.5 Student Use of Cellular Telephones for final reading. Seconded by Henderson. Members shared their thoughts on the policy and asked for an update also suggesting an iPad use policy. Motion carried unanimously of the members present.

Henderson moved approval of the revised personnel recommendations. Seconded by Scharmer. Motion carried 5-1, with Ramsdail voting in the negative with emphasis.

No items for future meetings were requested.

Winkelmann announced future meetings: committee meetings on Tuesday, April 14, and the Board Business meeting on April 28, 2015.

The meeting adjourned at 8:13 p.m.

Michelle Shope, Board Secretary

Approved at the regular meeting of April 28, 2015

Shannon Scharmer, President