

REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION
SCHOOL DISTRICT OF BELOIT
April 26, 2016

The Board of Education held its regular meeting on April 26, 2016 at the Kolak Education Center in the Board Room. President called the meeting to order at 7:26 p.m.

Members Present: Lisa Anderson-Levy, Dennis Baskin, Pam Charles, Shelly Cronin, Nora Gard, Kris Klobucar, and Shannon Scharmer. Others Present: Tom Johnson, Superintendent.

Gard moved approval of the agenda moving up the student board report to the beginning. Seconded by Anderson-Levy. Motion carried unanimously of the members present. Baskin led the group in the pledge of allegiance, Anderson-Levy made an announcement with regard to the unfortunate event in Elkhorn against the Girls Varsity Soccer Team and Baskin gave the monthly announcements.

Badger along with Carole Campbell, BMHS interim principal, recognized three outstanding staff members. She then honored retiring board members, John Acomb, Laurie Endres, and John Winkelmann. John Ashley, Executive Director from the Wisconsin Association of School Boards presented John Winkelmann with a special honor from WASB.

Scharmer opened up the podium for citizens to speak on items not on the agenda. No one came forward.

Johnson introduced Anthony Bonds, Assistant Superintendent for Curriculum and Instruction, who along with Ryan Rewey, shared information on Academic Career Planning. He then introduced Dr. Williams, Assistant Superintendent, who gave an update on Equity and the (E)Quality Committee in Tasha Bell's absence.

Sharieff Atlas gave the student report to the board. Baskin reviewed the topics of the April Finance, Transportation and Property Committee meeting. Anderson-Levy reviewed the topics of the April Curriculum and Instruction Committee meeting. Gard reviewed the topics of the March Special and April Regular Policy and Personnel Committee meetings.

Gard moved approval of the consent list: 1) Special Board Meetings of March 22, March 29, April 12 and April 19, 2016; 2) Regular Business Meeting of March 22, 2016 and 3) Approval of February Financial Summary. Seconded by Baskin. Charles made a friendly amendment to separate 9a, the financial report, from the consent list vote. Gard and Baskin accepted the friendly amendment. The motion to approve 9a, the financial report, carried unanimously of the members present. The motion to approve consent list items 8a-8e, board minutes, carried 6-1 with Charles abstaining.

Gard moved approval of the renewal of WiscNet for the purpose of internet services for a one (1) year contract term. Seconded by Anderson-Levy. Motion carried unanimously of the members present.

Anderson-Levy moved approval of the purchase of 65 desktop computers from PDS for a total of \$30,875 and the purchase of 57 laptops and a laptop cart from CDW-G for a total of \$33,865. Seconded by Gard. There was information shared regarding access and Motion carried unanimously of the members present.

Gard moved approval of the Youth Options applications for the first semester 2016-17. Seconded by Charles. Charles requested revisiting the policy with regard to GPA requirements. Motion carried unanimously of the members present.

Gard moved approval of the revisions of Policy 461 Technical Excellence Higher Education Scholarship and approval of the deletion of Policy 530 Professional Educator Policies for final reading. Seconded by Baskin. Motion carried unanimously of the members present.

Baskin moved approval of the Equity, Recruitment and Retention Plan. Seconded by Anderson-Levy. Gard asked if it was necessary to approve right away to carry out hiring practices because she had further questions. Gard made a motion to table the Equity, Recruitment and Retention Plan. Seconded by Charles. Members weighed in on tabling the item. Baskin called for the question to table, seconded by Anderson-Levy. The motion to table failed 1-6 with Gard voting in the affirmative and Anderson-Levy, Baskin, Charles, Cronin, Klobucar and Scharmer voting in the negative. Baskin called the original question, seconded by Anderson-Levy. Motion carried 6-1, with Gard voting in the negative.

Anderson-Levy moved to extend the board meeting. Seconded by Charles. Motion carried unanimously of the members present.

Gard moved approval of the revised personnel recommendations, Exhibit A. Seconded by Baskin. Motion carried unanimously of the members present.

Items requested for future meetings included a budget overview, Wi Taxpayer Alliance Mr. Knapp providing a school finance presentation (no cost), along with WASB goal planning meeting, district logo, and alumni.

Scharmer announced future meetings: committee meetings on Tuesday, May 10 at Fruzen Intermediate School and the Board Business meeting on May 24, 2016 at Kolak.

The meeting adjourned at 9:09 p.m.

Michelle Shope, Board Secretary

Approved at the regular meeting of May 24, 2016

Shannon Scharmer, President