

REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION
SCHOOL DISTRICT OF BELOIT
June 22, 2010

The Board of Education held its regular meeting on June 22, 2010 at the Kolak Education Center in the Board Room. President Ramsdail called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Members Present: John Acomb, Jessica Everson, Missy Henderson, Tia Johnson and Michael Ramsdail. Members absent: Shannon Scharmer and John Winkelmann. Also present: Milt Thompson, Superintendent.

Henderson moved approval of the agenda. Seconded by Acomb. Motion carried unanimously of the members present.

Acomb led the group in the pledge of allegiance.

Henderson announced upcoming activities in the district. She congratulated the 2010 graduates and wished them well. School is out for the summer. She also announced that summer school began this week. Planning for the new school year has begun with events such as the 50th anniversary of Aldrich Middle School, the walk/run AED fundraiser and the Business Education Summit.

Badger recognized the student board representatives, Melissa Gile and Daniel Luebke. Melissa was unable to attend due to a college visit. Daniel thanked the board for the opportunity to serve with the board members. Members thanked Dan for his service and input throughout the year.

Ramsdail opened the podium for citizens or delegations to speak on items not on the agenda. Dave Bennett, Oak Street in Beloit, addressed the board with concerns of textbook availability at the middle schools.

Thompson presented the results of the Superintendent Survey. He shared results on his visibility in the schools as well as accessibility to the community. His survey also asked about accessibility and whether or not he is approachable. He also surveyed his time to get back to people in a reasonable amount of time when they have contacted his office. He also surveyed staff for their perceptions of central office. He indicated that the survey indicated that the staff perceives that the trust of the board is growing this year. Thompson also stated that he will use these results for improvement.

Thompson also presented the results of the technology survey. He pointed out that at many of the schools; only 52% of students have access to technology. Other schools show that 81% of students have access to technology. He stated that we need to be aware of the families who do not have internet access.

Everson reviewed the topics of the June Finance, Transportation and Property Committee meetings.

Acomb reviewed the topics of the June Curriculum and Instruction Committee meetings.

Henderson reviewed the topics of the May Special and June Regular Policy and Personnel Committee meetings.

Henderson moved approval of the consent list: 1) Bills, Payroll and Cash Position Statement; 2) Special Board Meetings of May 25, June 8 and June 12; 3) Regular Business Meeting of May 25, 2010. Seconded by Acomb. Motion carried unanimously of the members present.

Everson moved approval of the Carpet Market bid for carpeting as presented, approval of the three year transportation contract with First Student, with staff feedback each year, approval of discontinuing 4K bussing starting with the 2010-2011 school year, approval of renewing the district's contract with Aramark for operating and managing the district's food service program for a one year period beginning July 1, 2010 and ending June 30, 2011, approval of the 2010-2011 service contracts with CESA 2, approval of the purchase order with Novell for 2010-2011 licenses in the amount of \$24,431.55, approval of the purchase order with Weidenhammer Systems Corp for the 2010-2011 Alio software maintenance in the amount of \$25,821, approval of the purchase order with Norlight, Inc. for the District's fiber network for 2010-2011 in the amount of \$50,856.48, approval of the purchase orders with Apple, Spectrum, Tierney Brothers, Technology Resource Advisors and PC Age for the technology equipment at Aldrich, McNeel and BMHS, approval of the Kompas Care agreement, approval of the SEEDS agreement. Seconded by Johnson. Acomb asked for clarification of the Aramark after school snack program. Following clarification, the motion carried unanimously of the members present.

Acomb moved approval of the advanced placement English language and composition new course for 2010-11. Seconded by Johnson. Motion carried unanimously of the members present.

Henderson moved approval of the proposal to institute middle school credits. Seconded by Everson. Johnson asked about the summer school program, is it recovery only or will there be enrichment courses offered as well. Thompson indicated that this proposal does not include or exclude enrichment courses for summer school. Motion carried unanimously of the members present.

Henderson moved approval and layover of Policy 345.41 specific Middle School Promotion Requirements for first reading. Seconded by Everson. Motion carried unanimously of the members present.

Everson moved approval and layover of 345.4 RULE 1 Promotion Criteria for first reading. Seconded by Henderson. Motion carried unanimously of the members present.

Henderson moved approval and layover of Policy 112 RULE 2 Student Discrimination Complaint Procedures and Policy 522.6 Discrimination Complaint Procedures for first reading. Seconded by Everson. Motion carried unanimously of the members present.

Henderson moved approval and layover of Policy 661 School District Depositories for first reading. Seconded by Everson. Motion carried unanimously of the members present with Acomb abstaining.

Everson moved approval and layover of Policy 751 Student Transportation and Policy 751 RULE 1 General Transportation Guidelines for first reading. Seconded by Henderson. Motion carried unanimously of the members present.

Henderson moved approval of Policy 345.1 Grading System for final reading. Seconded by Everson. Motion carried unanimously of the members present.

Henderson moved approval of Policy 345.1 RULE 2 Grading System Guidelines for final reading. Seconded by Everson. Motion carried unanimously of the members present.

Everson moved approval of Policy 443.72 Anti-Bullying for final reading. Seconded by Henderson. Motion carried unanimously of the members present.

Johnson moved approval of the job description change to include all of the additional tasks since 2004 and to upgrade the position including salary. Seconded by Acomb. Motion carried unanimously of the members present.

Everson moved approval of the resolution authorizing board hearing officer/board expulsion officer to determine pupil expulsion for the 2010-2011 school year. Seconded by Johnson. Motion carried unanimously of the members present.

Johnson moved approval of the personnel recommendations Exhibit A as revised. Seconded by Everson. Thompson announced Walter James who has served for 7 years as well as Deanne McCarthy who has served the district as well. He indicated they are leaving the district and thanked them for their service and wished them well. He also announced the transfer of Mark Smullen to Aldrich as the principal. Motion carried unanimously of the members present.

Everson moved approval of the Head Start collaboration and rental, with renovation to one room to be completed by Hendricks and charged over a 5 year period. Seconded by Henderson. Motion carried unanimously of the members present.

Acomb moved approval to pay the Fresh Start invoice totaling \$18,623.82. Seconded by Henderson. Motion carried unanimously of the members present.

Items for consideration at future meetings included paper, production, transportation costs vs. electronic communications.

Ramsdail announced future meetings on Tuesday, July 13 and the Board Business meeting will be held on July 27, 2010.

The meeting adjourned at 8:08 p.m.

Michelle Shope, Board Secretary

Approved at the regular meeting of July 27, 2010

Michael Ramsdail, President