

REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION
SCHOOL DISTRICT OF BELOIT
July 26, 2011

The Board of Education held its regular meeting on July 26, 2011 at the Kolak Education Center in the Board Room. Vice President Acomb called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Members Present: John Acomb, Nora Gard, Missy Henderson, Tia Johnson, Michael Ramsdail and John Winkelmann. Members absent: Shannon Scharmer. Also present: Steve McNeal.

Henderson moved approval of the agenda with eliminating item O, Policy 345.41 Specific Middle School Promotion Requirements. Seconded by Johnson. Motion carried unanimously of the members present.

Acomb led the group in the pledge of allegiance.

Johnson announced upcoming activities in the district.

Badger recognized Bette Carr, RN, who has earned the School Nurse of the Year from Wisconsin and from the National Association of School Nurses. Carr thanked the board for the recognition and Chris Wesling for her nomination and the School Nursing Association for nominating her to the national level. She is proud to be a nurse in the School District of Beloit.

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

McNeal introduced the new central office administrators. He also thanked staff for their participation in the Cornucopia of Learning Conference. He then introduced the Superintendent's Report to the board regarding the elementary move. Jeff Jacobson, Supervisor of Buildings and Grounds thanked the members of the work crew. He updated the board members on the move and status of the schools. He stated that 162 rooms including all its belongings have been moved to date. He indicated that there are additional moves happening next move following the completion of summer school. By August 19th, the moves should be completed and he actually anticipates being ahead of this schedule. Members thanked everyone involved in the moves including the teachers who packed and unpacked their classrooms.

Winkelmann reviewed the topics of the July Finance, Transportation and Property Committee meetings.

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

Johnson reviewed the topics of the June Special and July Regular Policy and Personnel Committee meetings.

Ramsdail moved approval of the consent list: 1) Bills, Payroll and Cash Position Statement; 2) Special Board Meetings of June 28, July 12; and 3) Regular Business Meeting of June 28, 2011. Seconded by Johnson. Motion carried unanimously of the members present.

Johnson moved approval of the donation from Dr. Yon Ough of telescopes, microscope and youth cello, the donation of a communications device from Alma Vences and the donation of a communication device from Celso Baylon. Seconded by Henderson. Motion carried unanimously of the members present.

Johnson moved approval of the receipt of the National Geographic/Hampton Brown vouchers for the ELL teachers and program manger. Seconded by Ramsdail. Motion carried unanimously of the members present.

Winkelman moved approval of the payment of the leave request for Jennifer Zart. Seconded by Ramsdail. Motion carried unanimously of the members present.

Ramsdail moved approval of the district's food service fund balance purchases for the 2011-2012 school year. Seconded by Johnson. Motion carried unanimously of the members present.

Winkelman moved approval of the proposed contract with the City of Beloit for crossing guards. Seconded by Ramsdail. Dan Stauffacher provided additional information including maps and list of crossing guards. He also stated that there are four new crossing guards proposed after a meeting with police, fire, transit and district staff with the reconfiguration of the elementary schools and hazardous areas. Members asked questions about the additional positions and the need for them. Winkelman made a friendly amendment to keep count of students and revisit at the end of first semester to ensure that crossing guards are needed and in the right locations. Accepted by Ramsdail. Motion carried unanimously of the members present.

Ramsdail moved approval of the payment of \$66,266 to Blackhawk Technical College for the HSED program. Seconded by Gard. Motion carried unanimously of the members present.

Winkelman moved approval of the Equity in Funding Membership. Seconded by Ramsdail. Motion carried unanimously of the members present.

Winkelman moved acceptance of the DPI grant award for Safe and Supportive Schools for the 2011-2012 school year and accept the amended award for the 2011-2012 school year. Seconded by Henderson. Motion carried unanimously of the members present.

Gard moved approval of the Aligned English new course, alternate materials, teacher training and curriculum writing for 2011-12. Seconded by Henderson. Motion carried unanimously of the members present.

Winkelman moved approval and layover of Policy 190 Recognition for Accomplishments for first reading and moved approval of eliminating Policy 190 RULE 1 Guidelines for the Board's Recognition Program. Seconded by Ramsdail. Motion carried unanimously of the members present.

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

Items for consideration at future meetings requested included graduation requirements.

Acomb announced future meetings on Tuesday, August 2 and August 9, and the Board Business meeting will be held on August 23, 2011.

The meeting adjourned at 7:47 p.m.

Michelle Shope, Board Secretary

Approved at the regular meeting of July 26, 2011

Shannon Scharmer, President