

**NEILLSVILLE BOARD OF EDUCATION
MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING**

April 24, 2023

The regular meeting of the Board of Education, School District of Neillsville, was called to order on April 24, 2023, at 6:00 p.m. in the Multi Media Room by President Sue Voigt. Present at roll call were Sue Voigt, Peggy Grap, Deanna Heiman, Dewey Poeschel, and Paul Opelt. Also present were Administrator John Gaier, High School Principal Craig Anderson, Middle School Principal Kory Poeschel, and Elementary Principal Marcy Kunze.

Notification of the meeting was sent on April 12, 2023, to the Clark County Press, WCCN Radio, Neillsville City Hall, and Neillsville Public Library. A revised notification was sent on April 19, 2023, to the Clark County Press, WCCN Radio, Neillsville City Hall, and Neillsville Public Library.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Todd Schmidt addressed the board as a representative of the bus drivers.

Amy Arndt introduced middle school student teacher Elizabeth Zugier.

Motion by Dewey Poeschel seconded by Paul Opelt to approve the Consent Agenda as presented below:

- A. Minutes of the March 27, 2023, regular meeting; and April 6, 2023, special meeting
- B. Treasurer's report and payment of general account checks numbered 86620 through 87173, 202200403 through 202200498, voiding checks #86620 for \$50.00, #86876 for \$45.00, #87000 for \$1,283.00, #87005 for \$104.12, #87009 for \$25.00, #87010 for \$25.00, #87012 for \$30.00, #87013 for \$25.00, #87015 for \$103.50, #87016 for \$105.00, #87017 for \$30.00, #87020 for \$103.28, #87021 for \$25.00, #87146 for \$5,787.59, #87164 for \$11,912.09, for a total of \$789,787.00, and approval of the April payrolls.

Roll call: Paul Opelt – yes, Dewey Poeschel – yes, Deanna Heiman – yes, Peggy Grap – yes, Sue Voigt – yes.
Motion carried.

President Sue Voigt called for nominations for a chairperson for the meeting.

Peggy Grap nominated Sue Voigt for the chairperson for the meeting.

Motion by Dewey Poeschel seconded by Peggy Grap to close nominations and cast a unanimous ballot for Sue Voigt as chairperson. Roll call: Paul Opelt – yes, Dewey Poeschel – yes, Peggy Grap – yes, Deanna Heiman – yes, Sue Voigt – yes. Motion carried.

Sue Voigt called for nominations for president.

Deanna Heiman nominated Sue Voigt for president.

Motion by Deanna Heiman seconded by Peggy Grap to close nominations and cast a unanimous ballot for Sue Voigt for president. Roll call: Peggy Grap – yes, Deanna Heiman – yes, Paul Opelt – yes, Dewey Poeschel – yes, Sue Voigt – yes. Motion carried.

Sue Voigt called for nominations for vice president.

Peggy Grap nominated Dewey Poeschel for vice president.

Motion by Deanna Heiman seconded by Paul Opelt to close nominations and cast a unanimous ballot for Dewey Poeschel for vice president. Roll call: Deanna Heiman – yes, Dewey Poeschel – yes, Peggy Grap – yes, Paul Opelt – yes, Sue Voigt – yes. Motion carried.

Sue Voigt called for nominations for treasurer.

Dewey Poeschel nominated Peggy Grap for treasurer.

Motion by Dewey Poeschel seconded by Paul Opelt to close nominations and cast a unanimous ballot for Peggy Grap for treasurer. Roll call: Dewey Poeschel – yes, Paul Opelt – yes, Peggy Grap – yes, Deanna Heiman – yes, Sue Voigt – yes. Motion carried.

Sue Voigt called for nominations for clerk.

Dewey Poeschel nominated Deanna Heiman for clerk.

Motion by Paul Opelt seconded by Dewey Poeschel to close nominations and cast a unanimous ballot for Deanna Heiman for clerk. Roll call: Paul Opelt – yes, Dewey Poeschel – yes, Peggy Grap – yes, Deanna Heiman – yes, Sue Voigt – yes. Motion carried.

Motion by Dewey Poeschel seconded by Peggy Grap to approve Deanna Heiman as the CESA 10 delegate for 2023-2024. Roll call: Dewey Poeschel – yes, Paul Opelt – yes, Peggy Grap – yes, Deanna Heiman – yes, Sue Voigt – yes. Motion carried.

Motion by Dewey Poeschel seconded by Peggy Grap to approve Paul Opelt as the WASB delegate for 2023-2024. Roll call: Deanna Heiman – yes, Dewey Poeschel – yes, Paul Opelt – yes, Peggy Grap – yes, Sue Voigt – yes. Motion carried.

Motion by Paul Opelt seconded by Peggy Grap to approve Dewey Poeschel as the alternate WASB delegate for 2023-2024. Roll call: Peggy Grap – yes, Dewey Poeschel – yes, Paul Opelt – yes, Deanna Heiman – yes, Sue Voigt – yes. Motion carried.

Motion by Peggy Grap seconded by Paul Opelt to approve the Construction Management Contract with CESA 10 for 2% of the total project cost as presented. Roll call: Peggy Grap – yes, Deanna Heiman – yes, Dewey Poeschel – yes, Paul Opelt – yes, Sue Voigt – yes. Motion carried.

Motion by Dewey Poeschel seconded by Paul Opelt to approve the bid from Swanson Flooring in the amount of \$2.30/square foot for conference room flooring (materials only) as presented. Roll call: Paul Opelt – yes, Deanna Heiman – yes, Dewey Poeschel – yes, Peggy Grap – yes, Sue Voigt – yes. Motion carried.

Motion by Dewey Poeschel seconded by Peggy Grap to approve the bid from Grand Flooring & Design in the amount of \$5,320.48 for Board Office carpet and installation. Roll call: Deanna Heiman – yes, Dewey Poeschel – yes, Paul Opelt – yes, Peggy Grap – yes, Sue Voigt – yes. Motion carried.

Motion by Peggy Grap seconded by Paul Opelt to approve the bid from Streich Equipment in the amount of \$65,673.00 for the elementary kitchen upgrade. Roll call: Paul Opelt – yes, Dewey Poeschel – yes, Peggy Grap – yes, Deanna Heiman – yes, Sue Voigt – yes. Motion carried.

Motion by Dewey Poeschel seconded by Paul Opelt to approve the Aspirus Signature Health Plan as presented. Roll call: Dewey Poeschel – yes, Paul Opelt – yes, Deanna Heiman – yes, Peggy Grap – yes, Sue Voigt – yes. Motion carried.

Motion by Paul Opelt seconded by Dewey Poeschel to approve the Aspirus Health Plan Freedom Plan as presented. Roll call: Deanna Heiman – yes, Paul Opelt – yes, Dewey Poeschel – yes, Peggy Grap – yes, Sue Voigt – yes. Motion carried.

Motion by Dewey Poeschel seconded by Peggy Grap to approve the Delta Dental Insurance renewal as presented. Roll call: Peggy Grap – yes, Dewey Poeschel – yes, Paul Opelt – yes, Deanna Heiman – yes, Sue Voigt – yes. Motion carried.

Motion by Peggy Grap seconded by Paul Opelt to approve the Elementary Student Council application as presented. Roll call: Peggy Grap – yes, Deanna Heiman – yes, Paul Opelt – yes, Dewey Poeschel – yes, Sue Voigt – yes. Motion carried.

Motion by Dewey Poeschel seconded by Peggy Grap to approve the Friends of Rachel Club application as presented. Roll call: Dewey Poeschel – yes, Paul Opelt – yes, Peggy Grap – yes, Deanna Heiman – yes, Sue Voigt – yes. Motion carried.

Motion by Paul Opelt seconded by Dewey Poeschel to approve the Neillsville Improvement Corporation 2023 membership as presented. Roll call: Deanna Heiman – abstain, Dewey Poeschel – yes, Paul Opelt – yes, Peggy Grap – yes, Sue Voigt – yes. Motion carried.

Motion by Dewey Poeschel seconded by Peggy Grap to approve the out-of-state field trip for the STEM Club to Anoka, MN. Roll call: Peggy Grap – yes, Dewey Poeschel – yes, Paul Opelt – yes, Deanna Heiman – yes, Sue Voigt – yes. Motion carried.

Motion by Paul Opelt seconded by Peggy Grap to approve the donation of bat holders for the high school softball dugouts from Kranzations Metal Design & More as presented. Roll call: Paul Opelt – yes, Dewey Poeschel – yes, Peggy Grap – yes, Deanna Heiman – yes, Sue Voigt – yes. Motion carried.

Motion by Peggy Grap seconded by Paul Opelt to approve the donation from the Booster Club for fieldhouse concession stand updates as presented. Roll call: Peggy Grap – yes, Paul Opelt – yes, Dewey Poeschel – yes, Deanna Heiman – yes, Sue Voigt – yes. Motion carried.

Motion by Paul Opelt seconded by Dewey Poeschel to approve the monetary donation from CVTC in the amount of \$500.00 as presented. Roll call: Deanna Heiman – yes, Dewey Poeschel – yes, Paul Opelt – yes, Peggy Grap – yes, Sue Voigt – yes. Motion carried.

Marcy Kunze reported on attendance; PBIS; summer school scheduling; 4-year-old kindergarten graduation; state testing; 4th grade presentation by the Clark County Health Department; elementary professional development; upcoming events; upcoming field trips; and Star Lab.

Kory Poeschel reported on attendance; monthly character trait; internet safety presentation; college days for kids; state testing; summer school; 2023-24 elective course registrations; and future important dates.

Craig Anderson reported on attendance; 2023-24 scheduling updates; ACP updates; STEM news; FFA news; forensics updates; administrative assistants' day; graduation-related information; and a BLAST activity.

John Gaier reported on an article regarding school referendums; an article from Wisconsin Public Education Network; information from Act Now Wisconsin; and an article from Post Crescent.

Motion by Dewey Poeschel seconded by Peggy Grap to go into closed session as per WI Statutes 19.85(1)(C) Considering employment, promotion, compensation, or performance evaluation data of any public employee over which the governmental body has jurisdiction or exercises responsibility. The purpose of the closed

session is to discuss contractual matters. Roll call: Dewey Poeschel – yes, Deanna Heiman – yes, Peggy Grap – yes, Paul Opelt – yes, Sue Voigt – yes. Motion carried.

Motion by Dewey Poeschel seconded by Peggy Grap to return to open session. Roll call: Paul Opelt – yes, Peggy Grap – yes, Dewey Poeschel – yes, Deanna Heiman – yes, Sue Voigt – yes. Motion carried.

Motion by Dewey Poeschel seconded by Paul Opelt to approve the resignation of Anne Reschke from her food service manager position as presented. Roll call: Deanna Heiman – yes, Peggy Grap – yes, Dewey Poeschel – yes, Paul Opelt – yes, Sue Voigt – yes. Motion carried.

Motion by Paul Opelt seconded by Peggy Grap to approve the resignation of Steven Scheets from his custodial position as presented. Roll call: Dewey Poeschel – yes, Peggy Grap – yes, Paul Opelt – yes, Deanna Heiman – yes, Sue Voigt – yes. Motion carried.

Motion by Paul Opelt seconded by Dewey Poeschel to approve the resignation of Brianna Hogan from her teaching assistant position as presented. Roll call: Peggy Grap – yes, Dewey Poeschel – yes, Deanna Heiman – yes, Paul Opelt – yes, Sue Voigt – yes. Motion carried.

Motion by Dewey Poeschel seconded by Peggy Grap to approve the resignation of Ashley Hoppe from her teaching assistant position as presented. Roll call: Deanna Heiman – yes, Dewey Poeschel – yes, Peggy Grap – yes, Paul Opelt – yes, Sue Voigt – yes. Motion carried.

Motion by Peggy Grap seconded by Dewey Poeschel to approve the bus driver contracts for the 2023-2024 school year as presented. Roll call: Peggy Grap – yes, Deanna Heiman – yes, Dewey Poeschel – yes, Paul Opelt – no, Sue Voigt – yes. Motion carried.

Motion by Dewey Poeschel seconded by Peggy Grap to approve the support staff wage matrix as presented. Roll call: Paul Opelt – yes, Deanna Heiman – yes, Dewey Poeschel – yes, Peggy Grap – yes, Sue Voigt – yes. Motion carried.

Motion by Peggy Grap seconded by Dewey Poeschel to approve the salary schedule for confidential staff as presented. Roll call: Dewey Poeschel – yes, Deanna Heiman – yes, Paul Opelt – abstain, Peggy Grap – yes, Sue Voigt – yes. Motion carried.

Motion by Dewey Poeschel seconded by Peggy Grap to approve the resignation of Tia Gross from her elementary special education teaching position as presented. Roll call: Peggy Grap – yes, Paul Opelt – yes, Deanna Heiman – yes, Dewey Poeschel – yes, Sue Voigt – yes. Motion carried.

Motion by Peggy Grap seconded by Paul Opelt to approve the teacher contracts for the 2023-2024 school year as presented. Roll call: Deanna Heiman – yes, Paul Opelt – yes, Peggy Grap – yes, Dewey Poeschel – yes, Sue Voigt – yes. Motion carried.

Motion by Paul Opelt seconded by Peggy Grap to approve the salary schedule for certified staff as presented. Roll call: Paul Opelt – yes, Peggy Grap – yes, Deanna Heiman – yes, Dewey Poeschel – yes, Sue Voigt – yes. Motion carried.

Motion by Peggy Grap seconded by Paul Opelt to approve the resignation of Kari Mayer from her homecoming advisor position as presented. Roll call: Deanna Heiman – yes, Peggy Grap – yes, Paul Opelt – yes, Dewey Poeschel – yes, Sue Voigt – yes. Motion carried.

Motion by Dewey Poeschel seconded by Paul Opelt to approve Jeremy LaMont as the assistant cross country coaching position as presented. Roll call: Dewey Poeschel – yes, Peggy Grap – yes, Deanna Heiman – yes, Paul

Opelt – yes, Sue Voigt – yes. Motion carried.

Motion by Dewey Poeschel seconded by Peggy Grap to approve the administrator contract for Marcy Kunze as presented. Roll call: Dewey Poeschel – yes, Paul Opelt – abstain, Deanna Heiman – yes, Peggy Grap – yes, Sue Voigt – yes. Motion carried.

Motion by Peggy Grap seconded by Paul Opelt to approve the administrator contract for Kory Poeschel as presented. Roll call: Deanna Heiman – yes, Paul Opelt – yes, Dewey Poeschel – abstain, Peggy Grap – yes, Sue Voigt – yes. Motion carried.

Motion by Paul Opelt seconded by Dewey Poeschel to approve the administrator contract for Craig Anderson as presented. Roll call: Peggy Grap – yes, Deanna Heiman – yes, Paul Opelt – yes, Dewey Poeschel – yes, Sue Voigt – yes. Motion carried.

Motion by Peggy Grap seconded by Dewey Poeschel to approve the administrator contract for John Gaier as presented. Roll call: Dewey Poeschel – yes, Paul Opelt – yes, Peggy Grap – yes, Deanna Heiman – yes, Sue Voigt – yes. Motion carried.

WASB report was given by John Gaier.

CESA report was given by Deanna Heiman.

Motion by Paul Opelt seconded by Dewey Poeschel to adjourn at 8:21 p.m. Roll call: all yes. Motion carried.