

NEILLSVILLE BOARD OF EDUCATION MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING

April 25, 2022

The regular meeting of the Board of Education, School District of Neillsville, was called to order on April 25, 2022, 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 13, 2022, to the Clark County Press, WCCN Radio, Neillsville City Hall, and Neillsville Public Library. A revised notification was sent on April 25, 2022, to the Clark County Press, WCCN Radio, Neillsville City Hall, and Neillsville Public Library.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

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

- A. Minutes of the March 21, 2022, regular meeting
- B. Treasurer's report and payment of general account checks numbered 84885 through 85076, 202100433 through 202100544, voiding checks #84901 for \$1,295.68, #84992 for \$343.36, #85075 for \$850.00, #202100544 for \$5.00, for a total of \$485,967.26, 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.

Dewey Poeschel nominated Sue Voigt for the chairperson for the meeting

Motion by Deanna Heiman 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.

Dewey Poeschel nominated Sue Voigt for president.

Motion by Deanna Heiman seconded by Dewey Poeschel 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.

Paul Opelt nominated Peggy Grap for treasurer.

Motion by Deanna Heiman seconded by Dewey Poeschel 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 Dewey Poeschel seconded by Peggy Grap 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 Peggy Grap seconded by Paul Opelt to approve the May operational plan and calendar as presented. Roll call: Dewey Poeschel – yes, Paul Opelt – yes, Deanna Heiman – yes, Peggy Grap – yes, Sue Voigt – yes. Motion carried.

Motion by Dewey Poeschel seconded by Peggy Grap to approve the bid for elementary handwashing sink placement by Staley Plumbing for the sum of \$37,490.00 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 Paul Opelt to approve the bid for middle school flooring replacement by Russell's of Neillsville for the sum of \$71,635.38 as presented. Roll call: Peggy Grap – yes, Deanna Heiman – yes, Paul Opelt – yes, Dewey Poeschel – yes, Sue Voigt – yes. Motion carried.

Motion by Paul Opelt seconded by Peggy Grap to approve the bid for middle school library flooring replacement by Russell's of Neillsville for the sum of \$48,008.54 as presented. 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 the bus bid from Wisconsin Bus Sales for the sum of \$98,745.00 as presented. 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 health insurance renewal from WCA Group Health Trust as presented. 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 Delta Dental insurance renewal as presented. Roll call: Peggy Grap – yes, Paul Opelt – yes, Dewey Poeschel – yes, Deanna Heiman – yes, Sue Voigt – yes. Motion carried.

Motion by Dewey Poeschel seconded by Peggy Grap to approve the resolution authorizing and approving the sale of property by CESA 10. Roll call: Deanna Heiman – yes, Dewey Poeschel – yes, Peggy Grap – yes, Paul Opelt – yes, Sue Voigt – yes. Motion carried.

Motion by Paul Opelt seconded by Dewey Poeschel to approve the food service contract with the School District of Loyal as presented. Roll call: Peggy Grap – yes, Deanna Heiman – yes, Dewey Poeschel – yes, Paul Opelt – yes, Sue Voigt – yes. Motion carried.

Motion by Peggy Grap seconded by Paul Opelt to approve providing transportation for summer school 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 WIAA football co-op with the School District of Granton. Roll call: Dewey Poeschel – yes, Deanna Heiman – yes, Paul Opelt – yes, Peggy Grap – yes, Sue Voigt – yes. Motion carried.

Motion by Dewey Poeschel seconded by Peggy Grap to approve the early graduation request from G.G. 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 Dewey Poeschel to approve the early graduation request from K.W. as presented. Roll call: Deanna Heiman – yes, Paul Opelt – abstain, Peggy Grap – yes, Dewey Poeschel – yes, Sue Voigt – yes. Motion carried.

Motion by Dewey Poeschel seconded by Peggy Grap to approve the early graduation request from A.M as presented. Roll call: Paul Opelt – yes, Peggy Grap – yes, Deanna Heiman – yes, Dewey Poeschel – yes, Sue Voigt – yes. Motion carried.

Motion by Dewey Poeschel seconded by Paul Opelt to approve the teddy bear donation from Cummins of Neillsville as presented. Roll call: Deanna Heiman – yes, Peggy Grap – yes, Paul Opelt – yes, Dewey Poeschel – yes, Sue Voigt – yes. Motion carried.

Motion by Paul Opelt seconded by Dewey Poeschel to approve the monetary spirit card donation in the amount of \$611.35 from Unity Bank as presented. Roll call: Dewey Poeschel – yes, Peggy Grap – yes, Deanna Heiman – yes, Paul Opelt – yes, Sue Voigt – yes. Motion carried.

Marcy Kunze reported on attendance; PBIS; summer school scheduling and enrollments; 4-year-old kindergarten; Forward testing; 4th and 5th grade health presentations; visit to Thorp Elementary; and Tundra Tales Reading Program update.

Kory Poeschel reported on attendance; character trait of the month; student teacher update; clinical experience student; field trips; Mrs. Gehrke's academic elective classes; Forward testing; summer school; and 2022-223 elective course registration.

Craig Anderson reported on attendance; state testing review; thank you to Mrs. Backaus and TLC students; blood drive update; STEM club update; high school music news; forensics update; National Honor Society update; Business Department updates; Job Olympics; scholarship awards day; and graduation.

John Gaier reported on thank you from the Walter Wetzel family; the groundbreaking ceremony for O'Neill Creek Trailhead and Opelt Park; article from the New York Times; article from the Wisconsin Institute for Law and Liberty; Wisconsin's unemployment rate; article from Milwaukee Journal Sentinel; a school referendums article; and state funding information.

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 Janet Meredith from her food

service position as presented. 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 resignation of Paige Schmidtke from her teaching assistant position. Roll call: Deanna Heiman – yes, Peggy Grap – yes, Dewey Poeschel – yes, Paul Opelt – yes, Sue Voigt – yes. Motion carried.

Motion by Dewey Poeschel seconded by Peggy Grap to approve the resignation of Nicholas Kuhn from his teaching assistant position. Roll call: Dewey Poeschel – yes, Peggy Grap – yes, Paul Opelt – yes, Deanna Heiman – yes, Sue Voigt – yes. Motion carried.

Motion by Peggy Grap seconded by Paul Opelt to approve the bus driver contracts for the 2022-2023 school year as presented. Roll call: Paul Opelt – yes, Deanna Heiman – yes, Peggy Grap – yes, Dewey Poeschel – yes, Sue Voigt – yes. Motion carried.

Motion by Dewey Poeschel seconded by Paul Opelt to approve the support staff wage matrix as presented. 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 resignation of Trina Kundinger from her 6th grade teaching position as presented. Roll call: Deanna Heiman – yes, Peggy Grap – yes, Dewey Poeschel – yes, Paul Opelt – yes, Sue Voigt – yes. Motion carried.

Motion by Peggy Grap seconded by Dewey Poeschel to approve the resignation of Elizabeth Scott from her 5th grade teaching position as presented. Roll call: Dewey Poeschel – yes, Peggy Grap – yes, Paul Opelt – yes, Deanna Heiman – yes, Sue Voigt – yes. Motion carried.

Motion by Dewey Poeschel seconded by Peggy Grap to approve the retirement of Jane Miller from her 4th grade teaching position as presented. Roll call: Peggy Grap – yes, Dewey Poeschel – yes, Deanna Heiman – yes, Paul Opelt – yes, Sue Voigt – yes. Motion carried.

Motion by Paul Opelt seconded by Dewey Poeschel to approve the retirement of Kathleen Gehrke from her 8th grade teaching position as presented. Roll call: Paul Opelt – yes, Deanna Heiman – yes, Peggy Grap – yes, Dewey Poeschel – yes, Sue Voigt – yes. Motion carried.

Motion by Paul Opelt seconded by Peggy Grap to approve the teacher contracts for the 2022-2023 school year as presented. Roll call: Peggy Grap – yes, Dewey Poeschel – yes, Paul Opelt – yes, Deanna Heiman – yes, Sue Voigt – yes. Motion carried.

Motion by Dewey Poeschel seconded by Peggy Grap to approve the request for a leave of absence from Megan Kadlec as presented. Roll call: Deanna Heiman – yes, Peggy Grap – yes, Dewey Poeschel – yes, Paul Opelt – yes, Sue Voigt – yes. Motion carried.

Motion by Peggy Grap seconded by Paul Opelt to approve the administrator contract for Kory Poeschel for 2022-2024 as presented. Roll call: Dewey Poeschel – abstain, Peggy Grap – yes, Paul Opelt – yes, Deanna Heiman – yes, Sue Voigt – yes. Motion carried.

Motion by Dewey Poeschel seconded by Paul Opelt to approve the administrator contract for Marcy Kunze for 2022-2024 as presented. Roll call: Peggy Grap – yes, Dewey Poeschel – yes, Deanna Heiman – yes, Paul Opelt – yes, Sue Voigt – yes. Motion carried.

Motion by Peggy Grap seconded by Dewey Poeschel to approve the administrator contract for Craig Anderson

Ruskin for 2022-2024 as presented. Roll call: Paul Opelt – yes, Deanna Heiman – yes, Peggy Grap – yes, Dewey Poeschel – yes, Sue Voigt – yes. Motion carried.

Motion by Dewey Poeschel seconded by Paul Opelt to approve the administrator contract for John Gaier for 2022-2024 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 initial adoption of Policy DN as presented. Roll call: Deanna Heiman – yes, Peggy Grap – yes, Dewey Poeschel – yes, Paul Opelt – yes, Sue Voigt – yes. Motion carried.

WASB report was given by John Gaier.

CESA report was given by Deanna Heiman.

Motion by Dewey Poeschel seconded by Paul Opelt to adjourn at 9:07 p.m. Roll call: all yes. Motion carried.