

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

July 17, 2023

The regular meeting of the Board of Education, School District of Neillsville, was called to order on July 17, 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 was Administrator John Gaier.

Notification of the meeting was sent on July 5, 2023, to the Clark County Press, WCCN Radio, Neillsville City Hall, and Neillsville Public Library. A revised notification was sent on July 12, 2023, to the Clark County Press, WCCN Radio, Neillsville City Hall, and Neillsville Public Library.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Motion by Deanna Heiman seconded by Peggy Grap to remove the June 26<sup>th</sup>, 2023, meeting minutes from the consent agenda and strike the motion which approves the hiring of Sandra Oldham. 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 approve the Consent Agenda as presented below:

A. Treasurer’s report and payment of general account checks numbered 87516 through 87788, 202200597 through 202200680, voiding checks #87532 for \$25.00, #87738 for \$1,098.00, for a total of \$2,672,000.80, and approval of the July payrolls.

B. Final Adoption of Policies EF, EFA, EFB, EFC, EFC-A, EFC-B, EFC-C, EFE, EFF

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

Lance Gregorich from CESA 10 presented a building projects update.

Motion by Dewey Poeschel seconded by Paul Opelt to approve the Graybar bid for electrical work in the amount of \$170,353.33 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 food service meal prices for the 2023-2024 school year as presented. Roll call: Deanna Heiman – yes, Paul Opelt – yes, Dewey Poeschel – yes, Peggy Grap – yes, Sue Voigt – yes. Motion carried.

Motion by Peggy Grap seconded by Dewey Poeschel to approve the proposed annual meeting agenda for the August 28, 2023, meeting. 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 Paul Opelt to approve the 2022-2023 Seclusion and Restraint Report. 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 annual safety drill report. Roll call: Deanna Heiman – yes, 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 Athletic Handbook for Coaches and Parents as presented. Roll call: Paul Opelt – yes, Dewey Poeschel – yes, Peggy Grap – yes, Deanna Heiman – yes, Sue Voigt – yes. Motion carried.

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

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

Motion by Dewey Poeschel seconded by Peggy Grap to approve the donation of an automated external defibrillator (AED) from Marshfield Clinic. Roll call: Dewey Poeschel – yes, Paul Opelt – yes, Deanna Heiman – yes, Peggy Grap – yes, Sue Voigt – yes. Motion carried.

John Gaier reported on a school tour by ‘80’s decade reunion attendees; the CESA 10 Annual Convention; the July 2023 Neillsville Improvement Corporation agenda; and the general aid and per student estimates from the state budget process.

Motion by Dewey Poeschel seconded by Peggy Grap to go into closed session as per WI Statutes .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 Paul Opelt 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 Paul Opelt seconded by Dewey Poeschel to approve the resignation of Rita Sternitzky from her food service assistant 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 Nate McDonald from his teaching assistant position 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 Paul Opelt to approve the hiring of Susan Oldham for a teaching assistant 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 Dewey Poeschel to approve the resignation of Jessica Brown from her middle school teaching position with no contract break fee as presented. Roll call: Dewey Poeschel – yes, Peggy Grap – yes, Paul Opelt – yes, Deanna Heiman – no, Sue Voigt – yes. Motion carried.

Motion by Dewey Poeschel seconded by Peggy Grap to approve the hiring of Kali Lien for the 6<sup>th</sup> grade ELA 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 Peggy Grap seconded by Paul Opelt to approve the proposed contract adjustments for Kelsey Klein as presented. Roll call: Peggy Grap – yes, Deanna Heiman – yes, Dewey Poeschel – abstain, Paul Opelt – yes, Sue Voigt – yes. Motion carried.

Motion by Peggy Grap seconded by Paul Opelt to approve the proposed contract adjustments for Kendra Friemoth 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 adjourn at 7:19 p.m. Roll call: all yes. Motion carried.