

NEILLSVILLE BOARD OF EDUCATION MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING

February 8, 2021

The regular meeting of the Board of Education, School District of Neillsville, was called to order on February 8, 2021, at 6:30 p.m. in the Multi Media Room by President Dewey Poeschel. Present at roll call were Dewey Poeschel, Peggy Grap, Deanna Heiman, Sue Voigt, 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 January 27, 2021, to the Clark County Press, WCCN Radio, Neillsville City Hall, and Neillsville Public Library. A revised notification was sent on February 3, 2021, to the Clark County Press, WCCN Radio, Neillsville City Hall, and Neillsville Public Library.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Motion by Sue Voigt seconded by Peggy Grap to approve the Consent Agenda as presented below:

A. Minutes of the January 18, 2021, regular meeting

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

Motion by Sue Voigt seconded by Paul Opelt to open a public hearing to request a Waiver of Instructional Minutes from the Department of Public Instruction for the 2020-2021 school year. Roll call: Sue Voigt – yes, Paul Opelt – yes, Deanna Heiman – yes, Peggy Grap – yes, Dewey Poeschel – yes. Motion carried.

Motion by Sue Voigt seconded by Paul Opelt to close the public hearing to request a Waiver of Instructional Minutes from the Department of Public Instruction for 2020-2021 school year. Roll call: Deanna Heiman – yes, Paul Opelt – yes, Sue Voigt – yes, Peggy Grap – yes, Dewey Poeschel – yes. Motion carried.

Motion by Sue Voigt seconded by Peggy Grap to approve a resolution requesting a Waiver of Instructional Minutes for the 2020-2021 school year as presented. Roll call: Peggy Grap – yes, Deanna Heiman – yes, Paul Opelt – yes, Sue Voigt – yes, Dewey Poeschel – yes. Motion carried.

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

Motion by Peggy Grap seconded by Paul Opelt to approve the listing of Summer School courses offered for 2021 as presented. Roll call: Paul Opelt – yes, Sue Voigt – yes, Peggy Grap – yes, Deanna Heiman – yes, Dewey Poeschel – yes. Motion carried.

Motion by Peggy Grap seconded by Sue Voigt to approve the Expanded Course Offering Handbook for the 2021-2022 school year as presented. Roll call: Deanna Heiman – yes, Sue Voigt – yes, Peggy Grap – yes, Paul Opelt – yes, Dewey Poeschel – yes. Motion carried.

Motion by Sue Voigt seconded by Paul Opelt to approve the proposed 2021-2022 school calendar as presented. Roll call: Peggy Grap – yes, Paul Opelt – yes, Sue Voigt – yes, Deanna Heiman – yes, Dewey Poeschel – yes. Motion carried.

Motion by Sue Voigt seconded by Peggy Grap to approve the donation from Harvest States for gloves and alcohol wipes as presented. Roll call: Paul Opelt – yes, Deanna Heiman – yes, Sue Voigt – yes, Peggy Grap –

yes, Dewey Poeschel – yes. Motion carried.

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

Motion by Peggy Grap seconded by Sue Voigt to approve the monetary donation from Pat and Cindy Anderson as presented. Roll call: Peggy Grap – yes, Paul Opelt – yes, Deanna Heiman – yes, Sue Voigt – yes, Dewey Poeschel – yes. Motion carried.

The board received an update on current and future construction projects.

Marcy Kunze reported on attendance; remote learners; Schools Cubed visit; and student council representatives.

Kory Poeschel reported on attendance; remote learners; character trait of the month; 8th hour; 2021-22 course registration; and World Read Aloud Day.

Craig Anderson reported on attendance; remote learners; 2021-2022 school year scheduling; guidance office updates; and a thank you statement.

John Gaier reported on a thank you note from Judy Morrow; a Dept. of Commerce letter regarding the census; the upcoming Medford Legislative Meeting; the completion of the School Safety Initiative Grant; and the results of the district's OPEB actuarial study.

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

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

Motion by Sue Voigt seconded by Paul Opelt to approve the hiring of Rolaine Griffiths as a teaching assistant. Roll call: Peggy Grap – yes, Sue Voigt – yes, Paul Opelt – yes, Deanna Heiman – yes, Dewey Poeschel – yes. Motion carried.

Motion by Peggy Grap seconded by Sue Voigt to approve the request for 6 weeks of maternity leave by Kayla Harder. Roll call: Deanna Heiman – yes, Peggy Grap – yes, Sue Voigt – yes, Paul Opelt – yes, Dewey Poeschel – yes. Motion carried.

WASB report was given by John Gaier.

CESA report was given by Deanna Heiman.

Motion by Sue Voigt seconded by Peggy Grap to adjourn at 8:26 p.m. Roll call: all yes. Motion carried.