

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

March 21, 2016

The regular meeting of the Board of Education, School District of Neillsville, was called to order on March 21, 2016, at 6:00 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 Rick Opelt. Also present were Administrator John Gaier and Elementary Principal Tim Rueth.

Notification of the meeting was sent on March 7, 2016, 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 Rick Opelt to approve the Consent Agenda as presented below:

- A. Minutes of the February 8, 2016, regular meeting
- B. Treasurer's report and payment of general account checks numbered 71106 through 72299, 201500161 through 201500203, voiding checks #71834 for \$85.00, #71861 for \$5,281.79, #71874 for \$7.78, #71880 for \$31.97, #71961 for \$35.00, #201500172 for \$9,321.97, #71106 for \$25.00, #71164 for \$23.25, #71179 for \$5.15, #71233 for \$80.58, #71343 for \$100.00, #71369 for \$25.00, #72050 for \$35.00, #72079 for \$85.00, #72085 for \$50.00, #72107 for \$50.00, #72111 for \$85.00, #72160 for \$35.00, #72168 for \$35.00, #72232 for \$137.00, #72248 for \$33.50 for a total of \$1,964,236.98, and approval of the February and March payrolls.

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

Motion by Peggy Grap seconded by Rick Opelt to approve curriculum updates in Science as presented. Roll call: Sue Voigt – yes, Rick Opelt – yes, Deanna Heiman – yes, Peggy Grap – yes, Dewey Poeschel – yes. Motion carried.

Motion by Sue Voigt seconded by Peggy Grap to approve curriculum updates in Family and Consumer Science as presented. Roll call: Deanna Heiman – yes, Rick Opelt – yes, Sue Voigt – yes, Peggy Grap – yes, Dewey Poeschel – yes. Motion carried.

Motion by Peggy Grap seconded by Sue Voigt to approve curriculum updates in Music as presented. Roll call: Rick Opelt – yes, Sue Voigt – yes, Peggy Grap – yes, Deanna Heiman – yes, Dewey Poeschel – yes. Motion carried.

Motion by Sue Voigt seconded by Rick Opelt to approve the 22 applications for the 2016-2017 Youth Options Program as presented. Roll call: Peggy Grap – yes, Deanna Heiman – yes, Rick Opelt – yes, Sue Voigt – yes, Dewey Poeschel – yes. Motion carried.

Motion by Sue Voigt seconded by Rick Opelt to approve a three year lease for Chromebooks with Tierney Brothers for a cost of \$140,737.50. Roll call: Sue Voigt – yes, Rick Opelt – yes, Peggy Grap – yes, Deanna Heiman – yes, Dewey Poeschel – yes. Motion carried.

Motion by Peggy Grap seconded by Sue Voigt to approve a service contract with Memorial Medical Center for employee physicals. Roll call: Deanna Heiman – yes, Sue Voigt – yes, Rick Opelt – yes, Peggy Grap – yes, Dewey Poeschel – yes. Motion carried.

Motion by Sue Voigt seconded by Peggy Grap to approve the bid from Marshfield Book and Stationary for elementary lunchroom tables at a cost of \$24,441.25. Roll call: Rick Opelt – yes, Sue Voigt – yes, Peggy Grap – yes, Deanna Heiman – yes, Dewey Poeschel – yes. Motion carried.

Motion by Sue Voigt seconded by Rick Opelt to approve the girls' hockey co-op with Black River Falls. Roll call: Peggy Grap – yes, Rick Opelt – yes, Sue Voigt – yes, Deanna Heiman – yes, Dewey Poeschel – yes. Motion carried.

Motion by Sue Voigt seconded by Peggy Grap to approve an out-of-state field trip for sixth graders to the Science Museum of Minnesota. Roll call: Deanna Heiman – yes, Sue Voigt – yes, Peggy Grap – yes, Rick Opelt – yes, Dewey Poeschel – yes. Motion carried.

Motion by Peggy Grap seconded by Rick Opelt to approve a donation from the Shopko Foundation for \$2,000.00. Roll call: Peggy Grap – yes, Deanna Heiman – yes, Sue Voigt – yes, Rick Opelt – yes, Dewey Poeschel – yes. Motion carried.

Motion by Peggy Grap seconded by Sue Voigt to approve a donation of hats and gloves from Cummins. Roll call: Rick Opelt – yes, Deanna Heiman – yes, Sue Voigt – yes, Peggy Grap – yes, Dewey Poeschel – yes. Motion carried.

Motion by Rick Opelt seconded by Peggy Grap to approve a donation of mittens from Unity Bank. Roll call: Sue Voigt – yes, Deanna Heiman – yes, Rick Opelt – yes, Peggy Grap – yes, Dewey Poeschel – yes. Motion carried.

Motion by Sue Voigt seconded by Rick Opelt to approve a donation of an American flag from Toni Sturtz in honor of her mother. Roll call: Deanna Heiman – yes, Sue Voigt – yes, Rick Opelt – yes, Peggy Grap – yes, Dewey Poeschel – yes. Motion carried.

Tim Rueth reported on attendance; Feb 29<sup>th</sup> – Child Development Fair; Mar 4<sup>th</sup> – fifth grade musical; Mar 24<sup>th</sup> – teacher inservice; Mar 24<sup>th</sup>-25<sup>th</sup> – no school, Easter break; Mar 28<sup>th</sup> – no school, Easter break; third grade volunteer activities at Sunset Gardens and Clark County Humane Society; Apr 6<sup>th</sup> – Reggie Dabbs presentation; Apr 13<sup>th</sup> – scheduled late start; eParenting newsletters; and the 2016-2017 school calendar posted on the district website.

Craig Anderson reported on attendance; scheduling; winter sports; FCCLA regional; Solo & Ensembles; FFA week; Art department; Mar 9<sup>th</sup> – Academic Letter Ceremony; Mar 14<sup>th</sup> – first day of practice HS track and HS softball; Mar 15<sup>th</sup> – Cloverbelt Scholar Athlete banquet at Colby; Mar 16<sup>th</sup> – National History Day events at UWEC; Mar 18<sup>th</sup> – Joint Spanish Club and History Club lock-in; Mar 21<sup>st</sup> – first day of baseball practice; Mar 21<sup>st</sup> – Large Group Vocal Music Festival at Colby HS; Mar 29<sup>th</sup> – first day of practice MS and HS golf and MS softball, first home games for HS softball and baseball; Mar 30<sup>th</sup> – CESA 10 placement testing; Apr 5<sup>th</sup> – Cloverbelt Scholar banquet at Greenwood; Apr 6<sup>th</sup> – Reggie Dabbs presentation; Forensics; Apr 8<sup>th</sup>-10<sup>th</sup> – School play dinner theater; Apr 16<sup>th</sup>-17<sup>th</sup> – School play performance only; May 18<sup>th</sup> – Academic Awards and Scholarship presentation; Seniors last day; and May 28<sup>th</sup> - Graduation.

John Gaier reported on the April 5<sup>th</sup> ballot; partnership with Memorial Medical Center and the Lake Erie College of Osteopathic Medicine; the CWETN Network and CESA 10 Education Technology Services Department; the WASB proposed legislative agenda; poverty rates in Wisconsin; an article about Wisconsin's economy; an article on property taxes and public schools; and two Focus articles.

Motion by Peggy Grap seconded by Rick Opelt 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, Rick Opelt – yes, Dewey Poeschel – yes. Motion carried.

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

Motion by Sue Voigt seconded by Peggy Grap to approve the hiring of Jasmine Griesbach for a teaching assistant position. Roll call: Peggy Grap – yes, Sue Voigt – yes, Rick Opelt – yes, Deanna Heiman – yes, Dewey Poeschel – yes. Motion carried.

Motion by Peggy Grap seconded by Sue Voigt to approve the hiring of Rhonda Pernsteiner for a teaching assistant position. Roll call: Deanna Heiman – yes, Peggy Grap – yes, Sue Voigt – yes, Rick Opelt – yes, Dewey Poeschel – yes. Motion carried.

Motion by Rick Opelt seconded by Peggy Grap to approve the retirement of Lori Muerett from her art teacher position. Roll call: Sue Voigt – yes, Peggy Grap – yes, Rick Opelt – yes, Deanna Heiman – yes, Dewey Poeschel – yes. Motion carried.

Motion by Sue Voigt seconded by Rick Opelt to approve the retirement of Julie Bechtel from her art teacher position. Roll call: Peggy Grap – yes, Sue Voigt – yes, Deanna Heiman – yes, Rick Opelt – yes, Dewey Poeschel – yes. Motion carried.

Motion by Sue Voigt seconded by Rick Opelt to approve the retirement of Karen Gaier from her special education teacher position. Roll call: Rick Opelt – yes, Deanna Heiman – yes, Peggy Grap – yes, Sue Voigt – yes, Dewey Poeschel – yes. Motion carried.

Motion by Sue Voigt seconded by Peggy Grap to approve the retirement of Jeanne Reed from her elementary teacher position. Roll call: Sue Voigt – yes, Peggy Grap – yes, Deanna Heiman – yes, Rick Opelt – yes, Dewey Poeschel – yes. Motion carried.

Motion by Peggy Grap seconded by Rick Opelt to approve the resignation of Mike Pekol from his assistant football coaching position. Roll call: Rick Opelt – yes, Peggy Grap – yes, Deanna Heiman – yes, Sue Voigt – yes, Dewey Poeschel – yes. Motion carried.

Motion by Sue Voigt seconded by Peggy Grap to approve the resignation of Susie Conner from her assistant volleyball coaching position. Roll call: Deanna Heiman – yes, Peggy Grap – yes, Rick Opelt – yes, Sue Voigt – yes, Dewey Poeschel – yes. Motion carried.

Motion by Peggy Grap seconded by Sue Voigt to approve the resignation of Myanna Lansing from her assistant volleyball coaching position. Roll call: Rick Opelt – yes, Deanna Heiman – yes, Peggy Grap – yes, Sue Voigt – yes, Dewey Poeschel – yes. Motion carried.

Motion by Sue Voigt seconded by Peggy Grap to approve the resignation of Monika Luebke from her middle school volleyball coaching position. Roll call: Sue Voigt – yes, Rick Opelt – yes, Deanna Heiman – yes, Peggy Grap – yes, Dewey Poeschel – yes. Motion carried.

Motion by Peggy Grap seconded by Rick Opelt to approve the resignation of Don Abel from his assistant golf coaching position. Roll call: Deanna Heiman – yes, Rick Opelt – yes, Sue Voigt – yes, Peggy Grap – yes, Dewey Poeschel – yes. Motion carried.

Motion by Sue Voigt seconded by Peggy Grap to approve the initial adoption of Policy GBE. Roll call: Sue Voigt – yes, Rick Opelt – yes, Peggy Grap – yes, Deanna Heiman – 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. Roll call: all yes. Motion carried.