

NEILLSVILLE BOARD OF EDUCATION MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING

April 27, 2020

The regular meeting of the Board of Education, School District of Neillsville, was called to order on April 27, 2020, 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 Paul Opelt. Also present was Administrator John Gaier.

Notification of the meeting was sent on April 15, 2020, to the Clark County Press, WCCN Radio, Neillsville City Hall, and Neillsville Public Library. A revised notification was sent on April 22, 2020, 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 April 6, 2020, special meeting
- B. Treasurer's report and payment of general account checks numbered 80598 through 81081, 201900202 through 201900243, voiding checks #80598 for \$50.00, #80962 for \$1,386.00, #80991 for \$144.00, #81000 for \$94.92, #81018 for \$95.00, #81046 for \$2,062.22, #201900229 for \$421.16, for a total of \$550,855.97, and approval of the April payrolls.

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

President Dewey Poeschel called for nominations for a chairperson for the meeting.

Deanna Heiman nominated Dewey Poeschel for the chairperson at the meeting.

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

Dewey Poeschel called for nominations for President.

Sue Voigt nominated Dewey Poeschel for President.

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

Dewey Poeschel called for nominations for Vice President.

Deanna Heiman nominated Sue Voigt for Vice President.

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

Dewey Poeschel called for nominations for Treasurer.

Sue Voigt nominated Peggy Grap for Treasurer.

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

Dewey Poeschel called for nominations for Clerk.

Peggy Grap nominated Deanna Heiman for Clerk.

Motion by Sue Voigt seconded by Peggy Grap to close nominations and cast a unanimous ballot for Deanna Heiman for Clerk. 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 Deanna Heiman to approve Dewey Poeschel as the TIF delegate for 2020-2021. 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 Peggy Grap to approve Deanna Heiman as the CESA 10 Delegate for 2020-2021. Roll call: Peggy Grap – yes, Deanna Heiman – yes, Sue Voigt – yes, Paul Opelt – yes, Dewey Poeschel – yes. Motion carried.

Motion by Sue Voigt seconded by Peggy Grap to approve Paul Opelt as the WASB Delegate for 2020-2021. Roll call: Deanna Heiman – yes, Paul Opelt – yes, Peggy Grap – yes, Sue Voigt – yes, Dewey Poeschel – yes. Motion carried.

Motion by Sue Voigt seconded by Deanna Heiman to approve Peggy Grap as the alternate WASB Delegate for 2020-2021. 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 Paul Opelt to approve the bus purchase from Mid-State Truck for \$85,220.00. 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 Peggy Grap to approve a bid from American Asphalt for an amount not to exceed \$85,325.00 for the outdoor track upgrade. Roll call: Sue Voigt – yes, Paul Opelt – yes, Peggy Grap – yes, Deanna Heiman – yes, Dewey Poeschel – yes. Motion carried.

Motion by Sue Voigt seconded by Peggy Grap to approve a bid from AFS for an amount not to exceed \$68,000.00 for the outdoor track upgrade. Roll call: Sue Voigt – yes, Paul Opelt – yes, Peggy Grap – yes, Deanna Heiman – yes, Dewey Poeschel – yes. Motion carried.

Motion by Peggy Grap seconded by Paul Opelt to approve the donation of new score boards in the auditorium and elementary gym from the Booster Club. Roll call: Deanna Heiman – yes, Sue Voigt – yes, Paul Opelt – yes, Peggy Grap – yes, Dewey Poeschel – yes. Motion carried.

Motion by Sue Voigt seconded by Peggy Grap to approve the donation of cheese from the FFA and FFA Alumni to be distributed to families during meal deliveries. 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 donation of cheese curds from VICA Club to be distributed to families during meal deliveries. 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 Peggy Grap to approve the donation of ten 3-D produced face masks with support tabs to Abby Vans. Roll call: Peggy Grap – yes, Paul Opelt – yes, Sue Voigt – yes, Deanna Heiman – yes, Dewey Poeschel – yes. Motion carried.

John Gaier reported on Clark County's COVID-19 statistics; efforts to stop the extension of the Safer at Home order; the governor's expansion of services at non-essential businesses; this year's scholarship awards day presentation, graduation ceremony, summer school, and drivers education; two thank you cards; Emergency Order #31 – Badger Bounce Back; legal updates; update on London, Paris, Barcelona trip; a flyer for Reading League Wisconsin; portfolio summary for Donald & Pauline Speich Education Trust; SAA advisory letter on school district budget planning for 2020-2021; school referendum results; WASB Region 5 update; and an article regarding the impact of coronavirus on schools.

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 Peggy Grap to approve the resignation of Jessica Calkins from her teaching assistant position. 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 retirement of Lee Ann Henchen from her elementary teaching position. Roll call: Deanna Heiman – yes, Peggy Grap – yes, Sue Voigt – yes, Paul Opelt – yes, Dewey Poeschel – yes. Motion carried.

Motion by Sue Voigt seconded by Paul Opelt to approve the hiring of Bryce DeSmet for a special education teaching position. Roll call: Sue Voigt – yes, Peggy Grap – yes, Paul Opelt – yes, Deanna Heiman – yes, Dewey Poeschel – yes. Motion carried.

Motion by Peggy Grap seconded by Paul Opelt to approve the hiring of Kayla Harder for a second grade teaching position. Roll call: Sue Voigt – yes, Peggy Grap – yes, Paul Opelt – yes, Deanna Heiman – yes, Dewey Poeschel – yes. Motion carried.

Motion by Sue Voigt seconded by Peggy Grap to approve the hiring of Rebecca Bernhagen for a 5K teaching position. Roll call: Sue Voigt – yes, Peggy Grap – yes, Paul Opelt – yes, Deanna Heiman – yes, Dewey Poeschel – yes. Motion carried.

Motion by Sue Voigt seconded by Paul Opelt to approve the hiring of Taylor Vander Wegen for an elementary art teaching position. Roll call: Sue Voigt – yes, Peggy Grap – yes, Paul Opelt – yes, Deanna Heiman – yes, Dewey Poeschel – yes. Motion carried.

Motion by Peggy Grap seconded by Sue Voigt to approve teachers for contract renewals for the 2020-2021 school year as presented. Roll call: Peggy Grap – yes, Sue Voigt – yes, Deanna Heiman – yes, Paul Opelt – yes, Dewey Poeschel – yes. Motion carried.

Motion by Sue Voigt seconded by Peggy Grap to approve the principal contract for Marcy Kunze for the 2020-2022 school years. Roll call: Deanna Heiman – yes, Paul Opelt – yes, Peggy Grap – yes, Sue Voigt – yes,

Dewey Poeschel – yes. Motion carried.

Motion by Peggy Grap seconded by Sue Voigt to approve the principal contract for Kory Poeschel for the 2020-2022 school years. Roll call: Paul Opelt – yes, Peggy Grap – yes, Deanna Heiman – yes, Sue Voigt – yes, Dewey Poeschel – abstain. Motion carried.

Motion by Peggy Grap seconded by Sue Voigt to approve the principal contract for Craig Anderson for the 2020-2022 school years. Roll call: Deanna Heiman – yes, Peggy Grap – yes, Paul Opelt – yes, Sue Voigt – yes, Dewey Poeschel – yes. Motion carried.

Policy J was distributed for review.

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 7:31 p.m. Roll call: all yes. Motion carried.