

# NEILLSVILLE BOARD OF EDUCATION MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING

May 17, 2021

The regular meeting of the Board of Education, School District of Neillsville, was called to order on May 17, 2021, 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 were Administrator John Gaier, Middle School Principal Kory Poeschel, and Elementary Principal Marcy Kunze.

Notification of the meeting was sent on May 5, 2021, to the Clark County Press, WCCN Radio, Neillsville City Hall, and Neillsville Public Library. A revised notification was sent on May 12, 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 April 12, 2021, regular meeting

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.

Sue Voigt nominated Dewey Poeschel for the chairperson for the meeting

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

Dewey Poeschel called for nominations for President.

Deanna Heiman nominated Sue Voigt for President.

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

Sue Voigt called for nominations for Vice President.

Deanna Heiman nominated Dewey Poeschel for Vice President.

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

Sue Voigt called for nominations for Treasurer.

Dewey Poeschel nominated Peggy Grap for Treasurer.

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

Representatives from Wendel Companies presented preliminary designs for the high school entrance remodel. Lance Gregorich from CESA 10 presented a comprehensive list of potential building repairs and upgrades.

Motion by Deanna Heiman seconded by Peggy Grap to approve the June operational plan and calendar as presented. Roll call: Dewey Poeschel – no, Paul Opelt – no, Deanna Heiman – yes, Peggy Grap – yes, Sue Voigt – yes. Motion carried.

Motion by Deanna Heiman seconded by Dewey Poeschel to approve a bid from Arrow Precision for asphalt sealing and striping for the sum of \$43,200.00.. 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 Paul Opelt to approve the project development agreement with CESA 10 for upcoming potential building projects. 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 Achievement Gap Reduction contract for additional funding as presented. Roll call: Peggy Grap – yes, Deanna Heiman – yes, Paul Opelt – yes, Dewey Poeschel – yes, Sue Voigt – yes. Motion carried.

Motion by Deanna Heiman seconded by Peggy Grap to approve Dewey Poeschel as the TIF delegate for 2021-2022. 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 Deanna Heiman as the CESA 10 Delegate for 2021-2022. 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 Peggy Grap as the WASB Delegate for 2021-2022. 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 Paul Opelt as the alternate WASB Delegate for 2021-2022. Roll call: Dewey Poeschel – yes, Paul Opelt – yes, Peggy Grap – yes, Deanna Heiman – yes, Sue Voigt – yes. Motion carried.

Motion by Peggy Grap seconded by Paul Opelt to approve the 6<sup>th</sup> grade Math curriculum updates as presented. Roll call: Deanna Heiman – yes, Dewey Poeschel – yes, Peggy Grap – yes, Paul Opelt – yes, Sue Voigt – yes. Motion carried.

Motion by Peggy Grap seconded by Dewey Poeschel to approve the WIAA membership for 2021-2022. Roll call: Peggy Grap – yes, Deanna Heiman – yes, Dewey Poeschel – yes, Paul Opelt – yes, Sue Voigt – yes. Motion carried.

Marcy Kunze reported on attendance; a high school presentation on leadership to 3<sup>rd</sup> grade; 4<sup>th</sup> grade farm field trip; reading intervention updates; step up day; guidance counselor activities; and summer school.

Kory Poeschel reported on attendance; remote learners; character trait of the month; college day for kids; guest speakers; Forward state testing; PBIS; and 8<sup>th</sup> grade graduation.

John Gaier shared Craig Anderson's report on attendance; scholarship awards presentation; graduation; high school forensics competition; high school choir solo and ensemble results; and the Academic Awards Ceremony.

John Gaier reported on the ICAA Head Start grant; Neillsville Area Chamber of Commerce thank you; Neillsville Improvement Corporation meeting agenda; approval of the U.S. Department of Education accountability waiver; COVID-19 testing in schools; and AEF testimony on school funding.

Motion by Peggy Grap seconded by Paul 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: 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 Peggy Grap seconded by Paul Opelt to approve the resignation of Carrie Schmidt from her teaching assistant position. 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 resignation of Patricia Drangstveit from her 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 2021-2022 Support Staff Addendum for Todd Schmidt. 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 a Memorandum of Understanding for Rhonda Pernsteiner. 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 a Memorandum of Understanding for Sharilyn Ziegler. Roll call: Peggy Grap – yes, Dewey Poeschel – yes, Deanna Heiman – yes, Paul Opelt – yes, Sue Voigt – yes. Motion carried.

Motion by Dewey Poeschel seconded by Paul Opelt to approve the resignation of Carly Kuran from her high school English teaching position effective June 3, 2021. 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 hiring of Riley Anderson as a 3<sup>rd</sup> grade teacher. 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 Paul Opelt to approve the hiring of Nicole Abbott for the position of

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

Motion by Dewey Poeschel seconded by Paul Opelt to approve the Memorandum of Understanding from the Wisconsin Association of Agricultural Educators for Amy Gerhardt 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 resignation of Jill Neville as the middle school student council advisor effective June 3, 2021. 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 resignation of Matthew Diestler as the athletic director effective June 30, 2021. 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 hiring of Chelsea Opelt as the middle school student council advisor. Roll call: Peggy Grap – yes, Dewey Poeschel – yes, Deanna Heiman – yes, Paul Opelt – yes, Sue Voigt – yes. Motion carried.

Motion by Dewey Poeschel seconded by Paul Opelt to approve changes to policy KBG 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 changes to policy KBGA as presented. Roll call: Dewey Poeschel – yes, Peggy Grap – yes, Paul Opelt – yes, Deanna Heiman – yes, Sue Voigt – yes. Motion carried.

CESA report was given by Deanna Heiman.

Motion by Dewey Poeschel seconded by Peggy Grap to adjourn at 9:02 p.m. Roll call: all yes. Motion carried.