

NEILLSVILLE BOARD OF EDUCATION MINUTES OF A SPECIAL MEETING

August 31, 2020

The special meeting of the Board of Education, School District of Neillsville, was called to order on August 31, 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 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 August 19, 2020, to the Clark County Press, WCCN Radio, Neillsville City Hall, and Neillsville Public Library. A revised notification was sent on August 27, 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 August 3, 2020, regular meeting

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

New staff members were introduced to the board.

Motion by Sue Voigt seconded by Paul Opelt to approve a school resource officer 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 Peggy Grap seconded by Paul Opelt to approve transportation charges for the 2020-2021 school year as presented. 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 the purchase of a new van from Gross Chrysler for \$37,181.00. 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 Paul Opelt to approve the Cloverbelt Conference fall sports schedule for the 2020-2021 school year with appropriate precautions taken. Roll call: Sue Voigt – yes, Paul Opelt – yes, Peggy Grap – no, Deanna Heiman – no, Dewey Poeschel – yes. Motion carried.

Motion by Peggy Grap seconded by Sue Voigt to approve releasing the remaining class funds for the Class of 2020. Roll call: Deanna Heiman – yes, Sue Voigt – yes, Paul Opelt – yes, Peggy Grap – yes, Dewey Poeschel – yes. Motion carried.

The annual Seclusion and Restraint Report was provided to the board for review for the 2019-2020 school year.

Motion by Sue Voigt seconded by Peggy Grap to approve the Seclusion and Restraint Report for the 2019-2020 school year. Roll call: Peggy Grap – yes, Deanna Heiman – yes, Sue Voigt – yes, Paul Opelt – yes, Dewey Poeschel – yes. Motion carried.

The annual Safety Drill Report was provided to the board for review for the 2019-2020 school year.

Motion by Sue Voigt seconded by Paul Opelt to approve the Safety Drill Report for the 2019-2020 school year. Roll call: Peggy Grap – yes, Paul Opelt – yes, Deanna Heiman – yes, Sue Voigt – yes, Dewey Poeschel – yes. Motion carried.

Motion by Peggy Grap seconded by Paul Opelt to approve the shared space agreement with Clark County Community Services for the 2020-2021 school year as presented. Roll call: Paul Opelt – yes, Sue Voigt – yes, Peggy Grap – yes, Deanna Heiman – yes, Dewey Poeschel – yes. Motion carried.

Motion by Sue Voigt seconded by Peggy Grap to approve the shared space agreement with Children’s Wisconsin for the 2020-2021 school year as presented. Roll call: Peggy Grap – yes, Paul Opelt – yes, Sue Voigt – yes, Deanna Heiman – yes, Dewey Poeschel – yes. Motion carried.

Motion by Paul Opelt seconded by Peggy Grap to approve the updates to the Emergency Response Plan for the 2020-2021 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 Paul Opelt seconded by Sue Voigt to approve the updates to the Athletic Handbook for Coaches and Parents for the 2020-2021 school year as presented. Roll call: Peggy Grap – yes, Paul Opelt – yes, Deanna Heiman – yes, Sue Voigt – yes, Dewey Poeschel – yes. Motion carried.

Motion by Peggy Grap seconded by Sue Voigt to approve the request for early graduation for LL. Roll call: Peggy Grap – yes, Deanna Heiman – yes, Sue Voigt – yes, Paul Opelt – yes, Dewey Poeschel – yes. Motion carried.

Motion by Peggy Grap seconded by Sue Voigt to approve the donation of safety dividers from Sunni Opelt. 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 Sue Voigt to approve the donation of clear face masks from Autumn and Jim Marshall. Roll call: Sue Voigt – yes, Deanna Heiman – 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 small masks from Marshfield Clinic - Neillsville. Roll call: Peggy Grap – yes, Paul Opelt – yes, Deanna Heiman – yes, Sue Voigt – yes, Dewey Poeschel – yes. Motion carried.

Motion by Peggy Grap seconded by Sue Voigt to approve the donation of theater costumes from Julie and Darryl Ortmann. Roll call: Deanna Heiman – yes, Paul Opelt – yes, Peggy Grap – yes, Sue Voigt – yes, Dewey Poeschel – yes. Motion carried.

John Gaier reported on a thank you card; the passing of former board member Bob Opelt; a letter from Wisconsin Legislature; and a letter from the Executive Director of WASDA.

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 Kathleen Watson from her food service 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 resignation of Terrie Opelt from her food service 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 Peggy Grap to approve the resignation of Tina Pokallus from her teaching assistant position. Roll call: Paul Opelt – yes, Deanna Heiman – yes, Peggy Grap – yes, Sue Voigt – yes, Dewey Poeschel – yes. Motion carried.

Motion by Sue Voigt seconded by Paul Opelt to approve the hiring of Ashley Zurfluh for a food service 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 the leave of absence for Nancy Hagedorn for the 2020-2021 school year. Roll call: Peggy Grap – yes, Sue Voigt – yes, Deanna Heiman – yes, Paul Opelt – yes, Dewey Poeschel – yes. Motion carried.

Motion by Peggy Grap seconded by Sue Voigt to approve Memorandum of Understanding for Kendra Pfeiffer as presented. Roll call: Paul 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 hiring of Tabitha Rogney for an assistant high school volleyball coaching position. Roll call: Deanna Heiman – yes, Peggy Grap – yes, Paul Opelt – yes, Sue Voigt – yes, Dewey Poeschel – yes. Motion carried.

Motion by Sue Voigt seconded by Peggy Grap to approve the initial adoption of Policy AC. Roll call: Sue Voigt – yes, Peggy Grap – yes, Deanna Heiman – yes, Paul Opelt – yes, Dewey Poeschel – yes. Motion carried.

Motion by Peggy Grap seconded by Sue Voigt to approve the initial adoption of Policy GBA. 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 Sue Voigt to approve the initial adoption of Policy GBAA. Roll call: Sue Voigt – yes, Deanna Heiman – yes, Paul Opelt – yes, Peggy Grap – yes, Dewey Poeschel – yes. Motion carried.

Motion by Sue Voigt seconded by Paul Opelt to approve the initial adoption of Policy JB. Roll call: Peggy Grap – yes, Paul Opelt – yes, Deanna Heiman – yes, Sue Voigt – yes, Dewey Poeschel – yes. Motion carried.

Motion by Sue Voigt seconded by Peggy Grap to approve the initial adoption of Policy JBAB. 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 initial adoption of Policy JBA. Roll call: Paul Opelt – yes, Peggy Grap – yes, Deanna Heiman – yes, Sue Voigt – yes, Dewey Poeschel – yes. Motion carried.

Motion by Peggy Grap seconded by Sue Voigt to approve the initial adoption of Policy KL. Roll call: Deanna Heiman – yes, Peggy Grap – yes, Paul Opelt – yes, Sue Voigt – yes, Dewey Poeschel – yes. Motion carried.

Motion by Sue Voigt seconded by Peggy Grap to approve the initial adoption of Policy KLD. Roll call: Sue Voigt – yes, Peggy Grap – yes, Deanna Heiman – yes, Paul Opelt – yes, Dewey Poeschel – yes. Motion carried.

Motion by Peggy Grap seconded by Sue Voigt to approve the initial adoption of Policy IGDJ. Roll call: Paul Opelt – yes, Deanna Heiman – yes, Peggy Grap – yes, Sue Voigt – yes, Dewey Poeschel – yes. Motion carried.

WASB report was given by John Gaier.

CESA report was given by Deanna Heiman.

Motion by Peggy Grap seconded by Paul Opelt to adjourn at 7:58 p.m. Roll call: all yes. Motion carried.