

NEILLSVILLE BOARD OF EDUCATION MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING

September 14, 2020

The regular meeting of the Board of Education, School District of Neillsville, was called to order on September 14, 2020, 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 September 2, 2020, to the Clark County Press, WCCN Radio, Neillsville City Hall, and Neillsville Public Library. A revised notification was sent on September 9, 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 Paul Opelt to approve the Consent Agenda as presented below:

- A. Minutes of the August 31, 2020, special meeting
- B. Treasurer's report and payment of general account checks numbered 81410 through 81645, 202000001 through 202000127, voiding checks #81410 for \$1,614.77, #81576 for \$110.35, #202000058 for \$110.35, #202000059 for \$7.50, #202000060 for \$1.40, #202000061 for \$11.10, #202000062 for \$18.50, for a total of \$981,637.35, and approval of the August and September payrolls.
- C. Final Adoption of Policies AC, GBA, GBAA, JB, JBAB, JBA, KL, KLD, and IGDJ

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 Peggy Grap to approve the Capstone project as presented. 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 Sue Voigt to approve the addition of Policy JBAB as Addendum 2 in the Staff Handbook. Roll call: Deanna Heiman – yes, Paul Opelt – yes, Sue Voigt – yes, Peggy Grap – yes, Dewey Poeschel – yes. Motion carried.

Superintendent Gaier presented a proposed October calendar and education plan.

Motion by Sue Voigt seconded by Paul Opelt to approve the October calendar and education plan 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 Peggy Grap to approve the donation from Carol Oryszczyn to commemorate the 2020 retirees. 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 Sue Voigt to approve the anonymous donation to the food service program to help pay for unpaid lunch fees. 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 donation of face shields and sneeze guard

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

Marcy Kunze reported on new teachers; attendance; Warrior of the Week; picture day; parent-teacher conferences; and student council.

Kory Poeschel reported on attendance; 100% remote learners; building improvements; student council; academic and career planning; fall sports; and picture day.

Craig Anderson reported on attendance; 100% remote learners; usage of backpacks; and lack of disciplinary issues.

John Gaier reported on Evaluation of Wisconsin's Achievement Gap Reduction Program; a letter from Wauwatosa School District; WASB regional meetings; an article regarding increased open enrollment; a state Supreme Court decision; a federal COVID-19 relief bill; an article on CARES Act funding; and a letter from Senator Marklein on the state's financial condition.

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

Motion by Peggy Grap seconded by Sue Voigt 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 Cody Roman from his 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 hiring of Patricia Drangstveit for a teaching assistant position. 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 8:37 p.m. Roll call: all yes. Motion carried.