

NEILLSVILLE BOARD OF EDUCATION MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING

October 21, 2019

The regular meeting of the Board of Education, School District of Neillsville, was called to order on October 21, 2019, at 7:00 p.m. in the Board of Education Office by President Dewey Poeschel. Present at roll call were Dewey Poeschel, Peggy Grap, Deanna Heiman, Sue Voigt, and Jake Brunette. 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 October 9, 2019, to the Clark County Press, WCCN Radio, Neillsville City Hall, and Neillsville Public Library. A revised notification was sent on October 18, 2019, 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 Jake Brunette to approve the Consent Agenda as presented below:

- A. Minutes of the September 16, 2019, regular meeting and the September 30, 2019, special meetings
- B. Treasurer's report and payment of general account checks numbered 79781 through 80024, 201900067 through 201900091, voiding check #79857 for \$375.00, for a total of \$678,234.57, and approval of the October payrolls.

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

The new 7th & 8th grade ELA teacher Chelsea Opelt was introduced to the board.

Motion by Sue Voigt seconded by Peggy Grap to approve the college course applications for second semester as presented. Roll call: Sue Voigt – yes, Jake Brunette – yes, Deanna Heiman – yes, Peggy Grap – yes, Dewey Poeschel – yes. Motion carried.

Motion by Peggy Grap seconded by Jake Brunette to approve the out-of-state field trip for chorus to Chanhassen Dinner Theater on November 2, 2019. Roll call: Deanna Heiman – yes, Jake Brunette – yes, Sue Voigt – yes, Peggy Grap – yes, Dewey Poeschel – yes. Motion carried.

Motion by Jake Brunette seconded by Peggy Grap to approve the out-of-state field trip for chorus to Dorian Festival on January 12-14, 2020. Roll call: Peggy Grap – yes, Deanna Heiman – yes, Jake Brunette – yes, Sue Voigt – yes, Dewey Poeschel – yes. Motion carried.

Motion by Sue Voigt seconded by Jake Brunette to approve a bid of \$56,418 from Streich Equipment Co. for kitchen equipment upgrades. Roll call: Jake Brunette – yes, Sue Voigt – yes, Peggy Grap – yes, Deanna Heiman – yes, Dewey Poeschel – yes. Motion carried.

The board received an update on current and future construction projects.

Motion by Deanna Heiman seconded by Sue Voigt to approve a Fund 10 tax levy of \$3,805,840 and a Fund 80 tax levy of \$75,000 for a total levy of \$3,880,840 for the 2019-2020 school year. Roll call: Sue Voigt – yes, Jake Brunette – yes, Peggy Grap – yes, Deanna Heiman – yes, Dewey Poeschel – yes. Motion carried.

Marcy Kunze reported on attendance; Achievement Gap Reduction Performance Objectives and Strategies; Oct. 2nd – Walk to School Day; anti-bullying and kindness activities; teacher professional development; field trips; Sept. 30th – swimming begins grades 2-5; fire safety for 5th grade; 4K-1st grades PALS testing; Oct. 24th –

raking leaves activity; Oct. 17-18th – parent teacher conferences; and Oct. 10-11th – Elementary Principal's Convention.

Kory Poeschel reported on attendance; welcome bags for new students; homecoming; Oct. 8th – Cummins Filtration 7th grade field trip; GIS presentation; Oct. 10th-11th – LEGO Build; Oct. 16th – CVTC 8th grade field trip; Oct. 29th – flu shot clinic for students; Nov. 1st – end of first quarter; and Nov. 12th – picture retake day.

Craig Anderson reported on attendance; tech-ed certifications; Oct. 15th – blood drive; leadership conference in Osseo; homecoming; and progress in the greenhouse.

John Gaier reported on the recognition of Rick Opelt's years of service on the school board; WASB Region 5 Board of Directors election; an article regarding use and possession of CBD on school premises; a report on lead testing of drinking water in schools; and an Association for Equity in Funding newsletter.

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, Jake Brunette – yes, Dewey Poeschel – yes. Motion carried.

Motion by Sue Voigt seconded by Deanna Heiman to return to open session. Roll call: Jake Brunette – 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 Theresa Lezza from her administrative secretary position. Roll call: Peggy Grap – yes, Sue Voigt – yes, Jake Brunette – yes, Deanna Heiman – yes, Dewey Poeschel – yes. Motion carried.

Motion by Peggy Grap seconded by Sue Voigt to approve the resignation of Jenna Pavlac from her teaching assistant position. Roll call: Deanna Heiman – yes, Peggy Grap – yes, Sue Voigt – yes, Jake Brunette – yes, Dewey Poeschel – yes. Motion carried.

Motion by Peggy Grap seconded by Sue Voigt to approve the resignation of Toni Erickson from her teaching assistant position. Roll call: Sue Voigt – yes, Peggy Grap – yes, Jake Brunette – yes, Deanna Heiman – yes, Dewey Poeschel – yes. Motion carried.

Motion by Jake Brunette seconded by Peggy Grap to approve the hiring of Tina Pokallus for a teaching assistant position. Roll call: Jake Brunette – 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 Jennifer Lindner for a middle school girls' basketball coaching position. Roll call: Peggy Grap – yes, Sue Voigt – yes, Deanna Heiman – yes, Jake Brunette – yes, Dewey Poeschel – yes. Motion carried.

Motion by Sue Voigt seconded by Peggy Grap to approve the initial adoption of Policy EFF with modifications as presented. Roll call: Jake Brunette – yes, Sue Voigt – 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 Jake Brunette to adjourn at 8:44 p.m. Roll call: all yes. Motion carried.