

**NEILLSVILLE BOARD OF EDUCATION
MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING**

December 21, 2015

The regular meeting of the Board of Education, School District of Neillsville, was called to order on December 21, 2015, at 5:30 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 Rick Opelt. Also present were Administrator John Gaier, Middle/High School Principal Craig Anderson, and Elementary Principal Tim Rueth.

Notification of the meeting was sent on December 8, 2015, to the Clark County Press, WCCN Radio, Neillsville City Hall, and Neillsville Public Library.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Joe Bethea appeared requesting a change to the middle school athletic policy.

Motion by Sue Voigt seconded by Rick Opelt to approve the Consent Agenda as presented below:

- A. Minutes of the November 16, 2015, regular meeting.
- B. Treasurer's report and payment of general account checks numbered 70367 through 71661, 201500086 through 201500150, voiding checks #71436 for \$59,395.00, #71560 for \$85.00, #71565 for \$50.00, #71613 for \$2,555.06, #71614 for \$516.00, #201500086 for \$58,965.48, #201500125 for \$8,011.89, #201500126 for \$46,309.63, #201500127 for \$7,309.26, for a total of \$607,496.61, and approval of the December payrolls.
- C. Final adoption of Policies BDA and KGD.

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

Motion by Sue Voigt seconded by Peggy Grap to approve a bus bid from Mid State Truck Service at a cost of \$74,716.00, which includes the 3 year bumper-to-bumper warranty. Roll call: Sue Voigt – yes, Rick Opelt – yes, Deanna Heiman – yes, Peggy Grap – yes, Dewey Poeschel – yes. Motion carried.

Motion by Sue Voigt seconded by Rick Opelt to approve the course changes in Family and Consumer Science as presented. Roll call: Peggy Grap – yes, Deanna Heiman – yes, Rick Opelt – yes, Sue Voigt – yes, Dewey Poeschel – yes. Motion carried.

Motion by Peggy Grap seconded by Sue Voigt to approve the course change in Science as presented. Roll call: Sue Voigt – yes, Rick Opelt – yes, Peggy Grap – yes, Deanna Heiman – yes, Dewey Poeschel – yes. Motion carried.

Motion by Sue Voigt seconded by Peggy Grap to approve the Course Offerings Catalog for the 2016-2017 school year. Roll call: Deanna Heiman – yes, Rick Opelt – yes, Sue Voigt – yes, Peggy Grap – yes, Dewey Poeschel – yes. Motion carried.

Motion by Deanna Heiman seconded by Peggy Grap to approve the donation of the book, "Sherwood Memories, A History of Sherwood Township, Clark County, Wisconsin," from Rosie Repinski. Roll call: Peggy Grap – yes, Deanna Heiman – yes, Rick Opelt – yes, Sue Voigt – yes, Dewey Poeschel – yes. Motion carried.

Motion by Sue Voigt seconded by Deanna Heiman to approve the donation of the book, "Inspirations for Positive Minds," from Gale VandeBerg. Roll call: Sue Voigt – yes, Rick Opelt – 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 the book, "Silver Threads Among the

Gold,” from Gale VandeBerg. Roll call: Deanna Heiman – yes, Sue Voigt – yes, Rick Opelt – yes, Peggy Grap – yes, Dewey Poeschel – yes. Motion carried.

Motion by Peggy Grap seconded by Deanna Heiman to approve the donation of hats and earmuffs from Russell’s of Neillsville. Roll call: Peggy Grap – yes, Deanna Heiman – yes, Rick Opelt – yes, Sue Voigt – yes, Dewey Poeschel – yes. Motion carried.

Motion by Sue Voigt seconded by Rick Opelt to approve the donation of mini diplomas from BMO Harris Bank. Roll call: Sue Voigt – yes, Rick Opelt – yes, Peggy Grap – yes, Deanna Heiman – yes, Dewey Poeschel – yes. Motion carried.

Motion by Rick Opelt seconded by Peggy Grap to approve the budget adjustments for the 2015-2016 school year as presented. Roll call: Rick Opelt – yes, Sue Voigt – yes, Peggy Grap – yes, Deanna Heiman – yes, Dewey Poeschel – yes. Motion carried.

John Gaier presented the required notice of educational opportunities within the School District of Neillsville.

Tim Rueth reported on attendance; Dec. 21st – Elementary Christmas concert; Dec. 24th – Jan. 3rd – No school; Jan. 4th – School resumes; Jan. 13th – Late start; Jan. 20th - King Arthur Flour “Learn, Bake, Share” program for grades 4-7; Jan. 12th – begin eParenting newsletter via email and teaming up with UW Extension to give parents ways to use technology with their children; Feb. 3rd – Grades 4-8 Spelling Bee; Reminder for families to dress for snow; and the Elementary School webpage updated daily.

Craig Anderson reported on attendance; Dec. 7th – Winter band concert for grades 6-12; Dec 20th – Winter choral concert; FCCLA grant awarded to NHS students; 2016-2017 school year scheduling to begin in January; and events are on the activities calendar on the district homepage.

John Gaier reported on two thank you notes; the expansion of broadband in Neillsville; an email regarding initiatives to support area businesses with high quality employees; an update on new federal legislation; handrails for the fieldhouse bleachers; the new IRS 1095-C form; and four Focus articles.

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, Rick Opelt – yes, Dewey Poeschel – yes. Motion carried.

Motion by Sue Voigt seconded by Rick Opelt to return to open session. Roll call: Rick Opelt – yes, Peggy Grap – yes, Sue Voigt – yes, Deanna Heiman – yes, Dewey Poeschel – yes. Motion carried.

Motion by Sue Voigt seconded by Rick Opelt to approve a Memorandum of Understanding with Jan Shilts. Roll call: Peggy Grap – yes, Sue Voigt – yes, Rick Opelt – yes, Deanna Heiman – yes, Dewey Poeschel – yes. Motion carried.

Motion by Peggy Grap seconded by Sue Voigt to approve the hiring of Cody Friemoth for a middle school wrestling coach position. Roll call: Deanna Heiman – yes, Peggy Grap – yes, Sue Voigt – yes, Rick Opelt – yes, Dewey Poeschel – yes. Motion carried.

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

Motion by Sue Voigt seconded by Rick Opelt to adjourn at 6:54 p.m. Roll call: all yes. Motion carried.