

Regular School Board Meeting
School District of La Farge
Monday, February 15, 2021
6:00 pm
HS Library

Present were Board Members Aaron Nemec, Curt Parr, Chad Wirts, Holly Franks, and Dr. Shawn Sedgwick; School staff members Meaghan Gustafson, Todd Camlek, Josh Hansen, Mark Dubey, and Sara Keenan; Kickapoo Valley Forest School representatives Barb Sarnowski and Julia Buckingham; and Media Representatives Lonnie Muller and Bonnie Sherman.

Nemec called the meeting to order at 6:00pm.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Gustafson confirmed compliance with Open Meeting Law.

Nemec requested a motion to approve the agenda. Motion and second by Franks/Sedgwick. Motion carried.

Nemec requested a motion to approve the Consent Agenda. Motion and second by Sedgwick/Wirts. Motion carried.

No citizen comments

Action Agenda

Sarnowski and Buckingham reported on changes to the Charter School Contract since the Board's first reading. Nemec requested a motion to approve the draft contract. Motion and second by Parr/Sedgwick. Motion carried.

Nemec requested a motion to approve the Valedictorian, Salutatorian, and Honor Students for the Class of 2021:

Valedictorian: Audrey Wirts

Salutatorian: Natalie Nordmann

Honor Students: Hayden Benson, Kayla Brown, Hunter Fowell, Bryce Franks, Vanessa Harris, Natalie Marron, Jay Miller, Daryn Olson, and Evalayna Price.

Motion and second by Wirts/Sedgwick.

Motion carried.

Information Agenda

Gustafson gave a brief update on the Referendum Project.

Dubey gave an update on progress to refinance the loan for the office addition.

Hansen presented a report on the AGR program for first semester of this year.

Gustafson acknowledged and thanked donors for recent donations to the District:

- Molly Hahn - \$50.00 for winter clothes

- Crafty Cookers - \$300 Fab Lab matching
- Bonnie Sherman - winter clothes for elementary students

Reports of the Principals, Athletic Director, and Superintendent

Elementary Principal Hansen

1. Donations
 - a. Bonnie Sherman - boots, snow pants.
2. Early Childhood Screening Day - 2/8/21
 - a. 18 Students were screened for academics, speech/language, hearing, and vision.
3. Professional Development
 - a. CPI Training - most of our elementary staff will either have their initial training or refresher training within the next month.
4. Summer School
 - a. 6 Weeks, spread throughout the summer, June, July, August
 - b. Targeted for reading and math improvement in the mornings.
 - c. Enrichment Classes in the afternoons.
5. Students
 - a. We have a new Kindergarten student
 - b. More students are coming back to in-person learning.
6. Elementary Basketball
 - a. Practices during the week and on Saturdays
 - b. Great Participation - 46 out of a possible 60 or so students.
 - i. 21 Boys
 - ii. 25 Girls

MS/HS Principal and AD Camlek

Lions Giving Back program is a go. We'll do a virtual ceremony of some sort next week

Drama performance will be April 17-18. Time TBD. There are 18 students involved.

MS Battle of the books competition at the end of this week

HS Forensics has 17 students involved. It will be all virtual this year.

MS girls basketball just ended. Thanks for Josh Hansen and Ron Huebsch for leading the charge

MS boys has started with 4-12 boys, depending on the day.

Thanks for Wonewoc-Center for suggesting moving the game to Wednesday so our boys can play their first round regional basketball game.

Congrats to Phil Benson and the girls basketball team for their successful season.

Superintendent Gustafson

- Have begun to work on Administrative Guidelines
- District Continuous Improvement Team work resumed today

- Spring events moving forward as planned- team met today to schedule dates and discuss priorities and address potential limitations.
- COVID snapshot- Vernon County is at lowest levels since early September; internal numbers are looking good as well.
- Revised CDC guidelines came out on Friday afternoon, though it appears that no changes will be made to our current layered mitigation plan of distancing, masking, cohorting/podding, respiratory hygiene, and cleaning/sanitization.
- Planning for next year- scheduling and calendar
- State Superintendent Primary Election tomorrow
- Vaccine update for school staff

Board Member Concerns:

Nemec: none

Parr: none

Franks: no concerns; participated in WASB Delegate Meeting to mixed reviews

Wirts: none

Sedgwick: none

Nemec requested a motion to convene into closed session under §19.85(1)© to consider employment of any public employee over which the governmental body has jurisdiction or exercises control. The Board reserves the right to reconvene into open session after closed to take action on any items listed as topics of closed session.

Motion and second by Parr/Franks.

Motion carried by roll call vote.

Nemec requested a motion to reconvene into open session.

Motion and second by Parr/Wirts.

Motion carried.

Nemec requested a motion to accept the resignation of Megan Dittner, 4th Grade Teacher.

Motion and second by Franks/Parr.

Motion carried by roll call vote.

Nemec requested a motion to adjourn. Motion and second by Parr/Wirts.

Motion carried.