

GERMANTOWN SCHOOL DISTRICT
GERMANTOWN, WISCONSIN 53022
MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION
May 10, 2021

1. The meeting of the Board of Education was called to order by Board President Bob Soderberg in the MacArthur Cafetorium at 7:00 p.m. with the Pledge of Allegiance. Superintendent Brett Stousland read the official meeting notification. Roll call: Soderberg – yes, Medved – yes (attending remotely), Loth – yes, Borden – yes, Barney – yes, Reinemann – yes, Pawlak – yes.
2. Motion by Reinemann, second by Borden to approve the agenda. Motion carried
3. Motion by Barney, second by Loth to nominate Brian Medved for Board President. Motion carried (Reinemann – no, Borden – no, Pawlak – no).
4. Motion by Soderberg, second by Loth to nominate Tom Barney for Vice President. Motion carried (Reinemann – no, Borden – no, Pawlak – no).
5. Motion by Barney, second by Soderberg to nominate Michael Loth for Treasurer. Motion carried (Reinemann – no, Borden – no, Pawlak – no).
6. Motion by Soderberg, second by Loth to nominate Amanda Reinemann for Clerk. Motion carried (unanimous).
7. Motion by Soderberg, second by Loth to nominate Amanda Reinemann for CESA #1 Delegate. Motion carried (unanimous).
8. Former Board President Bob Soderberg turned the meeting over to newly elected President Brian Medved, who then left the meeting after turning it over to newly elected Vice-President Tom Barney.
9. MacArthur Principal Steven Williams introduced Guidance Counselor Ashley Jors who brought six Mac Leader students who reported on activities that Mac Leaders take part in.
10. Student Representative Tatum Catalano reported on student activities in the District and introduced next year's Student Representative Hannah DeGrace.
11. Director of Teaching and Learning Brenda O'Brien and Kennedy Middle School Principal Susan Climer updated the Board on adding Introduction to Spanish and Introduction to Foods at KMS and indicated a formal proposal will be brought to the Board on May 24, 2021.
12. Brett Stousland updated the Board on the next ACE Committee meeting scheduled for this coming Wednesday and items the subcommittees are working on including discussions about perceptions, having an expert in the system, website resources, and the rescinding of the motion to remove all references to Critical Race Theory in the District, and indicated again that the only place Critical Race Theory appears in the District is in two high school elective courses that teach a list of different theories and is not taught anywhere else but in these two electives which have been in place for ten years.
13. Twenty five citizens addressed the Board for approximately two and one half hours regarding Critical Race Theory, racism, equity, masks and quarantining requirements, transportation, and virtual school.
14. Motion by Reinemann, second by Pawlek to approve the April 26, 2021 Board of Education and Closed Session minutes. Motion carried.

15. Brett Stousland presented the return to school report with comparison data from area school districts. District Nurse Tammy Mamayak addressed the Board and the public regarding the CDC and its Mission and role, student illness in the District with spread information, student and staff vaccination status and proposals that included keeping the mask requirement in place for the remaining twenty days of school for this semester, optional masks for summer school and the 2021-2022 school year, and discontinue contact tracing and quarantining and suggestions for quarantining and contact tracing for the remainder of this school year.
16. Motion by Soderberg, second by Loth to discontinue contact tracing and quarantining with masks optional for the 2021-2022 school year. Motion carried.
17. Motion by Soderberg, second by Loth to implement the quarantine pilot presented by Tammy Mamayek for the remainder of the 2021-2022 school year. Motion carried.
18. Motion by Loth, second by Soderberg to partner with the Kiel School District to offer a virtual school option to a targeted population of students for the 2021-2022 school year. Motion carried (Pawlak – no, Borden – no).
19. Motion by Loth, second by Reinemann to approve the anonymous donation of \$800 to the high school softball program. Motion carried.
20. Motion by Soderberg, second by Reinemann to approve the issuance of 270 full-time teacher contracts and letters of intent for 17 part-time teachers. Motion carried.
21. Motion by Reinemann, second by Pawlak to approve the resignation of Christopher Schrubbe and thank him for his service to the District. Motion carried.
22. Motion by Loth, second by Soderberg to approve the final teacher layoff/nonrenewal notice for Jeffrey Saeger. Motion carried with a unanimous roll call vote. Superintendent Brett Stousland informed the Board that a reduction in staff was necessary and not performance related.
23. Motion by Pawlak, second by Soderberg to approve the CESA #1 contract for the 2021-2022 school year. Motion carried.
24. Motion by Loth, second by Reinemann to adjourn. Motion carried.
25. Board Vice-President Barney declared the meeting adjourned at 10:30 p.m.

Jayne Borst
Recording Secretary



Amanda Reinemann
School Board Clerk