

Minutes of Regular School Board Meeting
School District of La Farge
Monday, May 17, 2021
HS Library

Present were Board Members Aaron Nemec, Curt Parr, Holly Franks, Chad Wirts, and Ashley Schlicht;
School staff members Meaghan Gustafson, Todd Camlek, Josh Hansen, Emily Oium, and Julia Buckingham; and Media representatives Lonnie Muller and Bonnie Sherman.

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

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Gustafson confirmed compliance with Open Meeting Law.

Gustafson confirmed one change to the agenda- eliminating closed session item d., hire of a KVFS paraeducator.

Nemec requested a motion to approve the agenda. Motion and second by Parr/Wirts. Motion carried.

Nemec requested a motion to approve the consent agenda. Motion and second by Parr/Wirts. Motion carried.

No citizen comments.

Action Agenda

Gustafson, Hansen, and Oium discussed potential changes to the COVID-19 Mitigation Plan for Summer School 2021. More information will be provided prior to the next meeting; no action taken.

Nemec requested a motion to authorize administration to approve or deny applications for open enrollment to attend or leave the School District of La Farge per DPI guidelines and BoE limits set in January 2021. Motion and second by Parr/Wirts. Motion carried.

Nemec requested a motion to approve WIAA membership for the 2021-2022 school year. Motion and second by Wirts/Franks. Motion carried.

Nemec requested a motion to approve the 2021-2022 athletic trainer agreement with Vernon Memorial Healthcare. Motion and second by Wirts/Schlicht. Motion carried.

After lengthy discussion, Nemec requested action on a proposed baseball cooperative agreement with Kickapoo Area School District. Motion and second to not move forward with a coop made by Schicht/Wirts. Motion carried with one opposing vote and one abstaining.

Discussion Agenda

Gustafson discussed standout points from the 2021 Staff Engagement Indicator Survey.

Information Agenda

Oium presented to the Board an annual School Nurse report.
Gustafson and Nemec presented to the Board an update on the Referendum project.

Acknowledgement of Donations:

Thank you to Dr. Sedgwick for donating \$500 towards staff appreciation events; the Skrede family for donation of a lunch for staff; and to the La Farge community for supporting LFS graduates through scholarships and awards.

Reports of the Principals, Athletic Director, and Superintendent:

Elementary Principal Hansen

1. Curriculum Work
 - a. Social Studies Curriculum Review: Teachers from lower elementary, upper elementary, and middle school met to create a vision for our social studies program at La Farge. Based on the vision, we are working on solidifying our scope and sequence, and choosing resources that match that.
 - i. We have two more sessions to narrow down and choose resources and begin writing social studies curriculum for K-8.
 - b. Wonders 2020 Purchase -
2. End of the Year Events
 - a. Field Trips - 3rd - 5th have field trips coming up in the last week of school.
 - b. Track and Field Day - Thursday
 - c. Elementary Concerts - Next Thursday
 - d. Carnival - June 1st
3. Summer School
 - a. We have had a good response so far. (32 are already signed up)
 - b. Swimming lessons are planned as usual
 - c. We will be doing planning and training for summer school on June 8th

MS/HS Principal Camlek

- Graduation Friday at 7 pm. 12 guests/per
- Trap end of year shoot. parents, food and trash talking. 22 kids
- NHS, athletic program, FFA, senior awards, fine arts
- Prom
- Mike is working on getting stuff for his fabrication lab (fab lab) Grant
- Music concert on Tuesday at 7
- Staff appreciation week. Massage, food truck, take and bake, Hansen bakery, staff trivia, etc
- Ball field (dirt, fence, screen, scoreboard, rolling, lightening)

Superintendent Gustafson

- Continuous School Improvement group has participated in a root cause analysis identifying collaboration around student data and instructional practices
- Americorps Member
 - Through receipt of a grant and a donation we have an Americorps member for the summer to help with the school garden.
- Congratulations to Amanda Nemec for being named a Wisconsin Council of Administrators of Special Services Outstanding Special Education Paraprofessional!

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/Wirts. Motion carried.

Nemec requested a motion to reconvene into open session. Motion and second by Parr/Wirts.

Nemec requested a motion to hire Ashley Palmer as Family and Consumer Science Teacher. Motion and second by Parr/Wirts. Motion carried by roll call vote.

Nemec requested a motion to hire Calleen Edgington as First Grade Teacher. Motion and second by Wirts/Franks. Motion carried by roll call vote.

Nemec requested a motion to hire Ximena Puig as 4K/5K Kickapoo Valley Forest School Teacher. Motion and second by Parr/Schlicht. Motion carried by roll call vote.

Nemec requested a motion to accept the resignation of Blake Herken as high school boys basketball coach. Motion and second by Franks/Parr. Motion carried by roll call vote.

Nemec requested a motion to hire Matt Benson as boys basketball coach. Motion and second by Franks/Wirts. Motion carried by roll call vote.

Nemec requested a motion to approve the 2021-2022 Administrator Contracts. Motion and second by Franks/Wirts. Motion carried by roll call vote.

Nemec requested a motion to adjourn the meeting. Motion and second by Schlicht/Franks. Motion carried.