

Regular School Board Meeting
School District of La Farge
Monday, August 16, 2021
HS Library
6pm

Present were School Board members Aaron Nemec, Curt Parr, Holly Franks, Chad Wirts, and Ashley Schlicht; School staff members Meaghan Gustafson, Josh Hansen, Todd Camlek, Patty Gabrielson, and Alison Benson; Media Representatives Lonnie Muller and Bonnie Sherman; and Community Members Linda and Mike Sousa, Stacey and Eric Allen, Nick Burnard, Jenny and Jammie Miller, Chris Parker, and Kris Walker.

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

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Gustafson confirmed compliance with open meeting law.

Nemec called for approval of the agenda with the addition of a closed session item: amendment of Business Manager's contract. Motion and second by Wirts/Parr. Motion carried.

Nemec called for approval of the consent agenda. Motion and second by Wirts/Parr. Motion carried.

Citizen Comments: Mike Sousa & Linda Sousa spoke to advocate against a mask requirement.

Action Agenda:

Gustafson discussed proposed COVID-19 mitigation and response plans for the start of the 2021-2022 school year. Nemec requested a motion to approve the plan. Motion and second by Parr/Wirts. Motion carried.

Nemec called for a waiver of po131.1 for this evening for approval of the Policy Updates 30.2. Motion and second by Franks/Schlicht. Motion carried.

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Nemec requested a change to the September meeting to September 27. Motion and second by Parr/Wirts. Motion carried.

Discussion Agenda Item

Gustafson discussed a new FTE Contract Calculation Table. This policy will be revisited next meeting.

Reports of the Principals, Athletic Director, and Superintendent

Elementary Principal Hansen

1. Summer School
 - a. We wrapped up summer school successfully on Friday.

- b. We had great participation and are excited about the positive impact it will have on students going into the new school year.
- 2. Professional Development
 - a. Co-Teaching Workshop - on July 29, we attended a co-teaching workshop here at school. This included staff members from elementary, middle and high school. This workshop focused on how to implement co-teaching strategies with special education and regular education teachers effectively.
 - b. ELA Curriculum planning - on Tuesday, the elementary staff met to plan ELA curriculum and routines together. We also used the time to coordinate schedules to maximize our staffing.
 - c. Elevating Success Training - tomorrow a group of administrators and teachers will attend this training at CESA.
- 3. Preparation for the school year
 - a. New staff are getting settled into their rooms and getting set up.

MS/HS Principal & AD Camlek

- Mr. Fowell finished his 3 weeks of drivers ed. on Friday.
- Football has begun. La Farge is currently sending 4 athletes to participate in the K/LF team.
- Cross Country's first day was today. Both teams defending champs.
- Volleyball has 16.
- All coaches completed their CPR in the last few weeks. Had 3 sessions.
- Co-teaching in the classroom training implemented at MS/HS.
- Staff attending first session of an Educator Effectiveness Pilot program tomorrow.

Superintendent Gustafson

Discussed Inservice schedule upcoming.

Board Member Concerns

Franks- thanked community members for coming

Schlicht- none

Wirts- thanked community members for coming

Parr - thanked community members for coming stating "participatory government is good."

Nemec- thanked community members for coming

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. Wirts/Schlicht Motion passed by roll call vote. Motion and second by Parr/Wirts. Motion carried by roll call vote.

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

Nemec requested a motion to accept the resignation of After School Club Director Dawn Thiege-Parr. Motion and second by Parr/Schlicht. Motion carried by roll call vote.

Nemec requested a motion to hire Abby Wood as After School Club Director. Motion and second by Franks/Wirts. Motion carried by roll call vote.

Nemec requested a motion to hire Jesse Kahn with Kickapoo Valley Forest School Governance Council recommendation as Kickapoo Valley Forest School Paraeducator. Motion and second by Parr/Franks. Motion carried by roll call vote.

Nemec requested a motion to approve an amendment to the Business Manager contract. Motion and second by Wirts/Parr. Motion carried by roll call vote.

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