

REGULAR MEETING OF THE KICKAPOO AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT
BOARD OF EDUCATION
MINUTES

Wednesday, October 12, 2022 at 7:00 P.M.

The meeting was held in the Library of the Kickapoo Area School District

EXPENSE REVIEW COMMITTEE: 6:30 P.M. (E. Wallace, Matthes, I. Wallace)

No member of the public requested to speak either in person or remotely under Audience to Visitors

Public access was available to view the meeting live by visiting www.kickapoo.k12.wi.us 30 minutes prior to the scheduled start of the meeting for the YouTube live feed link

1. Roll Call

Upon roll call, all board members were present, with Teresa Gander attending virtually via Zoom. Also attending: Douglas Olsen, Aaron Mithum, Kim Johnson, Sandy Malliet, Kristi Deaver, and Melissa Wickert.

2. Affirmation of the Proof of Publication of the Agenda

Superintendent Douglas Olsen read the affirmation of the proof of publication and posting of the agenda.

3. Approve Agenda

To approve the agenda as published and posted, with a change of early graduation requests from five to four. Motion to approve: Earl Wallace; 2nd: Scott Walter. Motion carried with all ayes.

4. Audience to Visitors/Board Members

None

5. Expense Vouchers/Receipts

To approve expense vouchers numbered 97694 through 97775 totaling \$1,385,943.63, P Card charges totaling \$61,380.31, and revenues totaling \$1,131,073.87.

Motion to approve: Scott Walter; 2nd: Rich Jaynes. Roll call vote carried with all ayes.

6. Consent Agenda

- a. Minutes from September 14, 2022 Regular Board Meeting
- b. Minutes from September 27, 2022 Special Board Meeting
- c. Minutes from the October 5, 2022 Board Policy Committee Meeting
- d. Minutes from the October 6, 2022 Buildings/Grounds/Transportation Committee Meeting
- e. Neola Policy Revisions
- f. Library Plan Revisions
- g. Early Graduation Requests
- h. Donations to School

To approve the consent agenda as presented.

Motion to approve: Isaac Wallace; 2nd: Scott Walter. Motion carried with all ayes.

7. Action Agenda

- a. 1st Reading ~ New Neola Policies

To approve the 1st reading of new Neola policies as presented.

Motion to approve: Isaac Wallace; 2nd: Rich Jaynes. Roll call vote carried with all ayes.

- b. Agreement with Environmental Management Consulting, Inc.

To approve an agreement with Environmental Management Consulting, Inc. for asbestos abatement project management for a total estimated cost of \$5,242.00.

Motion to approve: Earl Wallace; 2nd: Rich Jaynes. Roll call vote carried with all ayes.

8. Informational Agenda

- a. Discussion Items

- 1) Coordination of Appeal to WIAA Regarding 8-Man Football Enrollment Limit

Scott Walter discussed the pursuit of an appeal to WIAA regarding the enrollment limit for 8-man football. While it appears that WIAA will most likely not increase the limit any time soon, board members felt it would be worthwhile to continue asking them to consider making a change in the future. After further discussion and review of the information presented by Mr. Petersen in the board packet, the board realized that there is little chance of a successful appeal.

2) Establishment of a District Foundation

Scott Walter reported that two community members indicated to him an interest in creating a foundation for the district. They met and discussed the pros and cons of establishing an individual foundation for the district or requesting to become a part of the Viroqua Area Foundation. Scott stated that the hybrid model afforded by the VAF was determined to be a good option and the next step will be to see if the VAF would consider the request. If they are amenable, the task will be to create a group of local interested people to help see this to fruition.

3) 2021-22 Seclusion and Restraint Report to the Board

Elementary Principal Kim Johnson reported on the incidents of seclusion and restraint for the 2021-22 school year. There were no incidents of seclusion or restraint at the middle/high school.

4) Photography Club ~ Heather McCauley

Heather McCauley would like to start a club for students interested in learning about photography. Mr. Mithum will have a sign-up for students and if there is enough interest, this request will be put on the November board agenda.

5) 2021-22 Student Testing Results

Kim Johnson and Aaron Mithum reviewed a report included in the packet on 2021-22 student testing results.

6) Resignation of Board Member, Appointment of Board Member, and Election of Vice President

Tricia Clements resigned from the board on Tuesday, September 27, 2022. The board discussed the appointment of a board member to fill the seat as well as the need to vote on a vice president since Tricia held this position.

b. Schedule of Meetings

No meetings were scheduled.

9. Superintendent's Report

- The district has received a Nursing Grant for approximately \$10,000 that has to be used by March 1, 2023; Superintendent Olsen is looking for a nurse willing to work for the district, through March 2023, for the two days a week that Trish Helgersen doesn't work.
- An open house for the pool took place October 1st, along with the first open swim.
- There was a humidity issue in the pool area, making it necessary to shut the pool down until the Dektron unit could be activated. The technician is unable to come before October 13th; the pool was scheduled to be closed the week of October 17 - 23 to resurface the epoxy floors that were damaged by the tile installers. Hopefully, all of the repairs can be completed during this time so the pool can re-open by Nov ..
- Superintendent Olsen has been participating with other CESA superintendents regarding educational legislative advocacy prior to the budget negotiations at the state level.

10. Principals' Reports

Kim Johnson, Elementary Principal

- The Educator Effectiveness training, taken with Aaron Mithum, has had some good sessions
- Attended a Mental Health Academy discussing going through a continuous improvement cycle to assess, survey needs, and use the data to improve our mental health system
- The elementary is working on adjusting response to behavior with a system that implements tiered supports to our students; these tiers provide our students with strategies and instruction to help them gain emotional regulation
- This week is Fire Safety Week and local firemen have been visiting the school with their fire trucks, talking to students about fire safety
- Attended a meeting at CESA discussing initiative fatigue and being careful about the amount of new responsibilities, learning and roles placed on staff

Aaron Mithum, Middle/High School

- Students will be taking the Pre ACT test on October 28th
- Homecoming Week is taking place; Mrs. Malphy and her Student Council group have done a great job of planning activities
- The Kickapoo Griffin Land Stewardship committee will be meeting soon to discuss the burning of the prairie and any other land use business
- The Viola Horse & Colt Show committee sent an email thanking the students in Mr. Krings and Mr. Kast's classes for coming down to help set up for the show this year. The kids were great help and very polite.

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11. Convene to Closed Session Wisconsin State Statute 19.85 (1) (c)

(c) Considering employment, promotion, compensation or performance evaluation data of any public employee over which the governmental body has jurisdiction or exercises responsibility.

PURPOSE: Winter Coaching Positions; Food Service Position

To convene to closed session at 8:30 P.M.

Motion to convene: Earl Wallace; 2nd: Scott Walter. Roll call vote carried with all ayes.

12. Reconvene to Open Session

To reconvene to open session.

Motion to reconvene: Earl Wallace; 2nd: Isaac Wallace. Motion carried with all ayes.

13. Motions Made Following Closed Session Discussion

To approve the following winter coaching positions: MS Boys' Basketball: Adam Pruitt and Craig Kreger; HS Boys' Basketball: Head-Mat Wood and Asst.-Mike Cauffman; Volunteer for Boys' Basketball Program: Doug Olsen; MS. Girls' Basketball: Aaron Cade and Travis Gaskell; HS Girls' Basketball: Head - Eric Wiegel, Asst.-Abilene Schlifer; MS Wrestling: Dustin Clements-Head.

Motion to approve: Earl Wallace; 2nd: Rich Jaynes. Roll vote carried with all ayes.

14. Adjourn Meeting

To adjourn the meeting at 9:00 P.M.

Motion to adjourn: Isaac Wallace; 2nd: Rich Jaynes. Motion carried with all ayes.

Minutes submitted by Kristi Deaver, Board Secretary.

Attested By:

Board President

Board Clerk