

SCHOOL DISTRICT OF ATHENS
REGULAR BOARD MEETING MINUTES
“One Town - One Team - One Dream”
APRIL 22, 2019

Superintendent Timothy Micke called the meeting to order at 6:00 pm in the high school ITLC.

The pledge of allegiance was recited.

Bev Braun administered the Oath of Office to newly elected Board members, Ken Ellenbecker and Julie Guenther, both serving a three-year term.

Roll call was taken and all seven Board members were present. Tim Micke, Superintendent, Juli Gauerke, MS/HS Principal, Joy Redmann, Elementary Principal, Reporter Casey Krautkramer were also in attendance. Nathan Brost and Jeff Mastin were also present. Election of Officers as follows:

- A. Tom Ellenbecker made a motion, second by Jessica Frahm to nominate Tim Krueger for president. Steve Janke made a motion, second by Shanon Peel to close nominations and cast a unanimous ballot for Tim Krueger for president. Voice vote; motion carried.
- B. Shanon Peel made a motion, second by Jessica Frahm, to nominate Steve Janke for vice-president. Ken Ellenbecker made a motion, second by Tom Ellenbecker to close nominations and cast a unanimous ballot for Steve Janke as vice-president. Voice vote; motion carried.
- C. Shanon Peel made a motion, second by Steve Janke to nominate Jessica Frahm for clerk. Steve Janke made a motion, second by Shanon Peel to close nominations and to cast a unanimous ballot for Jessica Frahm for clerk. Voice vote; motion carried.
- D. Jessica Frahm made a motion, second by Ken Ellenbecker to nominate Shanon Peel for treasurer. Jessica Frahm made a motion, second by Steve Janke to cast a unanimous ballot for Shanon Peel for treasurer. Voice vote; motion carried.

President-elect Krueger took over the meeting.

Representatives for the following are: Marathon County Special Education - Lori Haines (three-year term approved by the County Board 2017-2020); CESA 9 - Shanon Peel; WASB – Tim Krueger; and WASB Alternate- Kenny Ellenbecker.

Committee appointments are: Buildings & Grounds – Kenny Ellenbecker, Shanon Peel, Steve Janke; Personnel-Finance-Transportation - Kenny Ellenbecker, Jessica Frahm and Julie Guenther; and CIA Committee - Shanon Peel, Tom Ellenbecker and Julie Guenther.

The Board was given a copy of Legal Notes from the WASB on “Taking Office as a School Board Member” to review.

There were no comments from visitors.

The Board received the minutes of the March 21, 2019, Marathon County Children with Disabilities Education Board.

Shanon Peel reported on the April CESA 9 meeting that she attended earlier this month via phone due to the weather.

Juli Gauerke, MS/HS Principal reviewed the activities for the middle and high school students acknowledging student and advisors in local, state competition in FBLA, FFA, Post Prom, and Choir

and Band events. She also stated that the steering committee met to look at possible metal shop renovations at the high school.

The AES and KIDs report included student learning by grade level and the activities they are learning from. Community groups, including Athens Big Brothers/Big Sisters, Athens Acres 4-H, Knights of Columbus, Circle of Joy and the YES group on how they are working with the school. Professional development is ongoing for the staff.

Both Mrs. Gauerke-Peter and Mrs. Redmann reviewed the School Safety Drill report that was held on April 3, 2019, in both schools.

In the superintendent's report, Micke talked about Marathon Cheese Scholarship selection, high school graduation and the basefield field dedication to be held on May 3, 2019. He also acknowledged Bill Cosh and Ryen Berghammer being named Distinguished Alumni for 2019. The Board received a copy of the Building and Grounds report from Todd Barkow.

The Board received a tally of the School Board Election; Kenny Ellenbecker received 437 votes; Julie Guenther 418 and Sheila Kraft 369. Congratulations to Kenny and Julie and thanks to Sheila for her consideration of the position.

Mr. Micke reviewed policy #321.1 -Scheduling of School Sponsored Events & Activities (Sunday and Wednesday) in regard to scheduling spring sports that need to be made up due to the weather as temporary adjustments to the policy.

The Board also received data on the hours and days of instruction that is needed to meet requirements of DPI. The Board recommended that the students and staff should not make up any days from the inclement weather that the district was closed. Mr. Micke informed the Board that all schools will meet the required hours of instruction for the state. It was recommended to add 3 minutes to the middle school instruction each day, starting April 23, 2019, and not add additional days.

Mrs. Redmann presented the 2019 Summer School curriculum for the Board to review. It was recommended to approve as presented.

Mr. Micke reviewed the proposed courses, number of students, and credits to be earned and prepared by Mr. Nowak for Early College Credit Program (UW-System) and Start College Now (WTCS) and Pre-College Credit Program (Concordia) for the 2019-2020 school year.

Nathan Brost made a recommendation to approve the copier/printer contract with EO Johnson as presented.

Mr. Micke presented retirement letters from Suzanne Rudolph, Patty Riske, and Sarah Lange effective at the end of this school year.

Jessica Frahm made a motion, second by Ken Ellenbecker to approve the financial statement as presented by Bev Braun. Roll call vote, motion carried 7-0.

Jessica Frahm made a motion, second by Shanon Peel to approve bills for payment from check number 61979 to 62161 as presented. Roll call vote, Tom Ellenbecker abstained from check # 61995, motion carried 7-0.

Shanon Peel made a motion, second by Tom Ellenbecker to approve the minutes of the March 18, 2019, Regular meeting as presented. Voice vote, motion carried.

Shanon Peel made a motion, second by Kenny Ellenbecker to approve the adjustment to policy #321.1 to allow for spring sports to be played on Wednesdays past 7:00 pm, if necessary, through the end of the school year. Roll call vote, motion carried 7-0.

Jessica Frahm made a motion, second by Ken Ellenbecker to approve that students and staff will not need to make up any additional days or hours missed due to inclement weather. Three minutes will be added to the instruction of the middle school from their lunch period to stay within the requirements. Voice vote, motion carried.

Steve Janke made a motion, second by Shanon Peel to approve the 2019 Summer School Curriculum as presented. Voice vote, motion carried.

Jessica Frahm made a motion, second by Steve Janke to approve the Student Requests for Early College Credit Program, Start College Now and Pre-College Credit program as presented. Voice vote, motion carried.

Steve Janke made a motion, second by Jessica Frahm to approve a contract for EO Johnson, as presented by Nathan Brost. Roll call vote, Janke-yes, Peel-yes, K. Ellenbecker-yes, T. Ellenbecker -yes, Frahm-yes, Guenther-no, Krueger-yes, motion carried 6 yes-1 no, motion carried.

Kenny Ellenbecker made a motion, second by Shanon Peel to accept the letters of retirement from Suzanne Rudolph, Patty Riske and Sarah Lange as presented. Voice vote, motion carried.

Shanon Peel made a motion, second by Ken Ellenbecker to adjourn to Executive Session Under Wisconsin Statutes 19.85 (1)(c)(e)(f) for the purpose of considering employment, promotion, compensation or performance evaluation data of any public employees over which the board has jurisdiction and exercise responsibility, including contracts and personnel issues and for the purpose of considering the personal history of specific persons, specifically to discuss individual teacher contracts for 2019-20. Roll call vote, motion carried 7-0.

Steve Janke made a motion, second by Tom Ellenbecker to reconvene open session to record any action taken in executive session. No action was recorded. Voice vote. Motion carried.

Shanon Peel made a motion, second by Steve Janke to approve the 2019-2020 teacher contracts as presented. Roll call vote, motion carried 7-0.

Jessica Frahm made a motion, second by Shanon Peel to adjourn. Roll call vote, meeting adjourned at 8:05 pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Jessica Frahm, Clerk
Beverly Braun, Recording Secretary