

MINUTES OF BOARD MEETING
Manitowoc Board of Education
November 26, 2019

A special meeting of the Board of Education was called to order by Board President Dave Longmeyer at 12:02 p.m. Members present were: Ms. Meredith Sauer, Ms. Elizabeth Williams, Mr. Dave Nickels, Ms. Catherine Shallue, Mr. Richard Nitsch, Ms. Lisa Johnston and Mr. Dave Longmeyer. Also present were Superintendent Mark Holzman and Board Secretary Laurie Braun.

The meeting began with the Pledge of Allegiance. Board members were logged into BoardBook.

A motion was made by Catherine Shallue, seconded by Richard Nitsch, and unanimously carried (7-0), to approve the minutes of the November 12, 2019, Regular Meeting.

Franklin Elementary School is the featured school showcase this month. Principal Nate Brunnbauer introduced some of the 1st grade team members, the student support leader and a few student leaders representing Franklin. Mr. Brunnbauer provide an overview of the four focus levels they are working on at Franklin; Focus on Learning, Results Orientation, Collaborative Culture and Character Education. The Focus on Learning segment had members from the 1st grade staff sharing what measures they are implementing to get students to meet their learning targets, and what they can then do to take it to the next level. The Results Orientation summary explained their plan and how they are using the data and information collected to explore different methods to improve learning and teaching. Collaborative Teams focus level discussed how they are working through the action plan, identify strengths, weaknesses and use the best instructional strategies moving forward to make learning better for all students. The final area of focus was given by the Student Support Leader who communicated the Character Education Plan. Franklin has implemented student leader groups to help other students throughout the school to set goals and become leaders themselves. All students and staff attend monthly assemblies that celebrate student academic and character education achievements. Principal Brunnbauer shared that these teams are truly collaborating on all focus levels to make learning better at Franklin Elementary.

Curriculum Committee Chairperson, Elizabeth Williams reported on the November 12, 2019 meeting. Ms. Williams shared a collaborative update given by Lincoln Principal Lee Thennes, Student Support Leaders from Franklin Elementary, Jefferson Elementary, Washington Middle School and the Dean of Students from Lincoln High School. This team meets monthly where they share discussion one month and then do a building site visit the next month. Through these meetings, they continue to develop connections between staff, students and families and within the community. This meeting also included several new course proposals at Lincoln High School. These course proposals will be brought forward to the full board for approval. Director Joanne Metzen also discussed funding from the Transition Incentive Grant. The committee requested more information be provided as to what this grant will be used for. Director Metzen will provided this information at the December 10, 2019 meeting.

On motion by Catherine Shallue, seconded by Dave Nickels, the minutes from the November 12, 2019 Curriculum Committee were unanimously (7-0) approved.

Chairperson Williams also reported on the November 22, 2019 Curriculum Committee Meeting. The focus of this meeting was the MPSD Report Card update that included our district Report Card score is 64.7 – Meets Expectations with no deductions. Scores are calculated based upon math and literacy standardized tests in grades three through eleven. Attendance, absenteeism, dropout and graduation rates are also included in calculating this score. Collaborative teams continue to meet to discuss improvement and setting high expectations for all learners. Board member Dave Longmeyer commented with the additional supports of full-time math coaches at Jefferson and Franklin and the Student Support Leaders, we are optimistic that these will have a positive influence with future district scores. Motion was made by Catherine Shallue, seconded by Richard Nitsch, and unanimously (7-0) approved the minutes from the November 22, 2019 Curriculum Committee Meeting.

Director Joyce Greenwood-Aerts presented the Personnel Report consisting of one (1) support staff and extra-curricular stipends. On a motion by Catherine Shallue, seconded by Elizabeth Williams, the Board unanimously approved (7-0) the Personnel Report as presented.

Athletic Director Dave Steavpack provided an Athletic Program Report. This report showcased the numbers of participants and the activities that are going on throughout the district. Mr. Steavpack gave a brief explanation of the reclassification of the JV1, JV2 and JV3. The goal of this realignment is to create a conference size based on geography and enrollment. Lincoln saw a slight decrease in football numbers, which is being noticed at many districts throughout the state, however we saw an increase in cross country, volleyball and swimming participation this fall. Mr. Steavpack gave recognition to our student athletes who have achieved All Conference qualifications for cross country, football, girl's swimming, tennis and volleyball. Congratulations to those outstanding athletes. He also shared data that shows a huge increase in use of Rubick Field, from 62 hours in Fall of 2017 to 484 hours in Fall of 2019. This shows how we have capitalized on the use of this amazing facility. The numbers for dance and cheer will be provided at a later date as they are still performing for events. Mr. Steavpack also shared an updated list of all clubs that are being offered at LHS. These clubs create student engagement and improvement in character-ed traits. Our overall goal for the district is to improve the numbers of all co-curricular activities at all of our schools.

Superintendent Holzman provided a District Activities update where he shared/that included our District being recognized MPSD Messenger and Community Connection Newsletter. The schedule for the upcoming Holiday Performances within the District will be sent out this week. If you have the opportunity, please try to attend one or more of these performances to witness our district's many talented student performers.

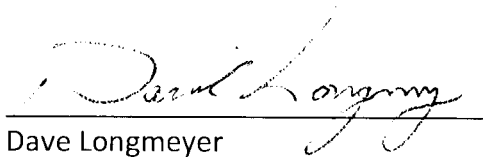
On motions brought forward from the November 12, 2019 Curriculum Committee Meeting, the Board unanimously approved (7-0), the LHS ELA Course Proposals, Literature for Change, The Graphic Novel, Film Studies/IB Film, Sports Literature, Mythology, Music as Literature, Spoken Word: The Power of Poetry and Journalism. Also brought forward to the full Board from the November 12, 2019 Curriculum Committee Meeting were LHS Course Proposals; Macro

Zoology, Capstone in Engineering and Design, Web Page & Mobile App Design and Advanced Graphic Design/Illustration. These courses were unanimously approved (7-0).

Future Meeting Dates include the standing Curriculum Committee Meeting, Tuesday, December 10, 2019 and Buildings and Grounds will schedule a meeting before the next scheduled Board Meeting.

On a motion by Catherine Shallue, seconded by Elizabeth Williams, the meeting adjourned at 12:58 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Laurie Braun, Secretary

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Dave Longmeyer", is written over a horizontal line.

Dave Longmeyer
Board President