

MINUTES OF BOARD MEETING  
Manitowoc Board of Education  
April 10, 2018

A regular meeting of the Board of Education was called to order by Board President Keith Shaw at 7:00 p.m. Members present were: Ms. Elizabeth Williams, Mr. Dave Longmeyer, Ms. Linda Gratz, Ms. Catherine Shallue, Mr. Dave Nickels and Mr. Keith Shaw. Also present were Superintendent Mark Holzman and Board Secretary Laurie Braun. Members absent: Ms. Karen Rohrer

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

A motion was made by Elizabeth Williams, seconded by Catherine Shallue, and unanimously carried, to approve the minutes of the March 13, 2018 Regular Board meeting.

Communications, land letter will go Buildings and Grounds Committee to discuss in further detail. Board President Keith Shaw also presented a letter of resignation from Board Member Karen Rohrer, effective June 15, 2018. The vacant board seat will be posted for 30 days and the board will elect a member to fulfill this vacancy.

Karen Rohrer arrived at 7:05 p.m.

Franklin Elementary School Principal Nate Brunnbauer introduced students and staff who participate in Student Council at Franklin. Mr. Brunnbauer explained the process of what each student needed to do to apply to be on student council. Students shared the positive activities they took part in to fundraise for extra activities, a food drive and ways how they showed their appreciation for their community.

Curriculum Committee Chairperson Elizabeth Williams reported on the April 10, 2018 meeting. Ms. Williams spoke about the Staff Collaboration Plan at LHS. Ms. Williams presented Staff travel which included Link Crew Facilitator Training - Travel in Itasca, IL, April 16-18, 2018 and discussion of the McKinley Academy Contract, which included a 3 year contract rather than a 5 year contract and also included a revision of goals. An AGR Update was also reported on to have the reading staff target Grade 3 students who are struggling and provide collaborative support for literacy instruction in the classroom.

The payment of vouchers was presented by Director of Business Services Ken Mischler. A motion was made by Linda Gratz, seconded by Dave Longmeyer, and unanimously carried (7-0) to approve voucher #845 in the amount of \$3,069,058.99 and voucher #848 in the amount of \$3,108,602.53, for a total of \$6,171,661.52. The financial report for the month ending March 31, 2018, was presented.

Director Joyce Greenwood-Aerts presented the Personnel Report consisting of six retirements, three resignations, eight lane movements and extra-curricular stipends. On motion by Liz Williams, seconded by Catherine Shallue, the Board unanimously (7-0) approved the Personnel Report as presented. Board member Karen Rohrer questioned if the district conducts "Exit" interviews. Director Greenwood-Aerts replied that we currently do not however studies have shown that some employers are now conducting "Stay" interviews which takes a more proactive approach.

Director of Business Services reported on the April 3, 2018, School Board and Referendum Election. Current Board Member Catherine Shallue received 5,225 votes and newly elected Board Member Lisa Johnston received 5,466 votes. The referendum passed with a vote total 5,116 Yes votes and 3,107 No votes. Superintendent Holzman thanked the board members and the community for its ongoing support to get the referendum passed. Superintendent Holzman also recognized outgoing Board Member Linda Gratz for her dedicated service to the district and presented her with a Certificate of Commendation.

Superintendent Holzman acknowledged the Superintendent and Directors Report. Board members had the opportunity to ask additional questions. Board Member Dave Longmeyer again thanked the Directors for the information shared to keep the Board informed. Open Enrollment was again a topic of discussion and what we can do as a district to help retain some of these students.

On motions brought forward from the February 26, 2018 Finance and Budget Committee, the Board unanimously approved (7-0) the second/final readings of policies 7530.02 – Staff Use of Personal Communication Devices; 8310 – Public Records and 8605 – Use of Electronic Wireless Communication Devices By District Employees Who Operate Board-Owned or Operated Vehicles.

After a detailed discussion, on motion brought forward from the Curriculum Committee, the Board approved the Staff Travel for Link Crew Training in Itasca, IL, April 16-18, 2018 by a roll call vote (4-3) with Elizabeth Williams, Dave Nickels and Catherine Shallue opposing.

McKinley Academy Contract discussion will be brought to the board for on April 24, 2018 for the board to take action in order to vote to be compliant by May 1, 2018.

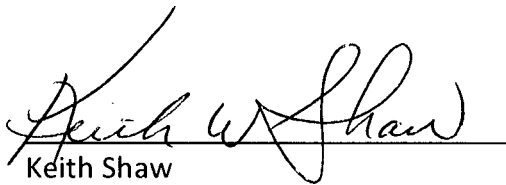
The Board voted unanimously (7-0) to set the date of Tuesday, April 24, 2018, at 12:00 noon as the date and time of the annual re-organizational meeting

Superintendent Holzman presented a grade alignment update to the members of the Board. A committee meeting will be held April 20, 2018, with the intent to bring a recommendation to the full board at the April 24th meeting. The Board would then need to set a public input date to discuss the options. Mr. Holzman asked the board to review the options. The overall goal is to increase learning opportunities for our students, increase collaboration for our staff and improve efficiency within our district.

A brief Referendum update was also given by Superintendent Holzman. Mr. Holzman and the Directors continue to work together to find reductions within the District to reduce the deficit.

A motion was made by Catherine Shallue and seconded by Liz Williams, and approved by unanimous roll call vote (7-0) to move into closed session at 8:13 p.m. for the purpose of considering the following matter per Wisconsin State Statutes Sec. 19.85(1)(c): To Consider and take possible action regarding employment, promotion, compensation or performance evaluation data of any public employee over which the Board of Education has jurisdiction or exercised responsibility which shall include consideration of administrative recommendations regarding the renewal, or non-renewal, of a teacher contract under Section 118.22 of the Wisconsin Statutes.

On motion by Catherine Shallue, seconded by Liz Williams, and unanimously carried (7-0), the meeting adjourned at 8:31 p.m.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Keith W. Shaw", written over a horizontal line.

Keith Shaw  
Board President

Respectfully submitted,  
Laurie Braun, Secretary