

MINUTES OF BOARD MEETING
Manitowoc Board of Education
April 14, 2020

A virtual, regular meeting of the Board of Education was called to order by Board President Dave Longmeyer at 7:09 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 Richard Nitsch, seconded by Elizabeth Williams, and unanimously carried (7-0), to approve the minutes of the March 10, 2020 Regular Board Meeting.

In accordance with the Safer at Home Executive Order issued by Governor Evers, motion made by Elizabeth Williams, seconded by Richard Nitsch, the Board approved (6-1), amending Public Input Participation at the Regular scheduled Board Meetings, with Board member Meredith Sauer opposing.

Committee Chairperson Elizabeth Williams reported on the March 10, 2020 Curriculum Committee Meeting. Ms. Williams shared a K-12 Literacy update was provided by Pam Lensmire that showed how MPSD teachers are partnering with CESA 6 and the developments they are working on. Jason Bull provided a K-12 Mathematics update where he shared how our professionals are collaborating and working on best practices in planning, using data and instruction and how this looks at each grade level. An out of state travel request for a team of Middle School educators to travel to Washington DC with up to 100, 8th grade students in June, 2021. This travel request was approved at the committee level and will be brought forward to the full board for approval. On motion by Meredith Sauer, seconded by Lisa Johnston, the Board unanimously (7-0) approved the minutes from the March 10, 2020 committee meeting.

The payment of vouchers was presented by Director of Business Services Shawn Alfred. A motion was made by Dave Nickels, seconded by Elizabeth Williams, and unanimously carried (7-0) to approve Bill List 3-1-20 through 3-31-20, district operating expenses and district payroll, for a total operating expense in the amount of \$5,887,169.94. Mr. Alfred also presented the Financial Report for the month of March 2020. The financial report for the month ending March 31, 2020, was accepted as presented.

Director Joyce Greenwood-Aerts presented the Personnel Report consisting of two (2) retirements, six (6) resignations, five (5) professional appointments, three (3) level movements and extra-curricular appointments. On motion by Elizabeth Williams, seconded by Dave

Nickels, the Board unanimously approved (7-0) the Personnel Report and Addendum #3 as presented. On motion by Richard Nitsch, seconded by Dave Nickels, the Board approved Addendum #1 (6-1), with Board member Lisa Johnston opposing. On motion by Meredith Sauer, seconded by Richard Nitsch, the Board approved Addendum #2 (6-1), with Lisa Johnston opposing.

Superintendent Holzman acknowledged the Superintendent and Directors Report. Board members had the opportunity to review and ask questions. Mr. Holzman articulated that although we cannot duplicate the face to face contact by having students physically in the classroom, administration and teachers are doing a great job of keeping students engaged and learning virtually. Continued conversations are taking place and we anticipate the Governor will make a decision by early next week if the school closures will be extended or if we will be returning to school buildings for the remainder of the 2020-2021 school year at all. Superintendent Holzman also stated that we are currently moving forward with the Summer School as planned however this too may need to be revised as more information comes available. Mr. Holzman will continue to give the Board weekly updates of the current situation and reminded Board members to please contact him with any questions.

A District Activity Update was provided by Superintendent Holzman. Mr. Holzman communicated some of our maintenance/grounds crew have been working on spring grounds work and cleanup. Board member Richard Nitsch posed a question regarding State Assessments. Mr. Holzman reported that the ACT was taken just before students left for Spring Break, however the State Assessments for under classmen has been suspended as of today, April 14, 2020. He also stated that MPSD will continue to provide and promote as many opportunities for our staff and students to engage in online learning.

Superintendent Holzman addressed the Board to the new Policy – Virtual Board Meetings In Emergency Situations. A motion was made by Dave Nickels, seconded by Richard Nitsch, and unanimously (7-0) carried to approve the first read of the new Virtual Board Meeting in Emergency Situations Policy. A questioned was posed as to who determines when the emergency situation begins and when the emergency situation concludes. Superintendent Holzman will provide clarification at the next Board Meeting.

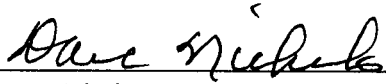
On motions brought forward from the March 2, 2020 Finance and Budget Committee, the Board unanimously (7-0) approved to transfer the Scholarship/Loan Funds to the MPSD Foundation.

On motions brought forward from the March 10, 2020 Curriculum Committee Meeting, the Board unanimously (7-0) approved the out of state travel for the 8th Grade Student Trip to Washington D.C. in June 2021.

Future Meeting Dates/Referrals; Personnel Committee is in the process of scheduling a meeting next week. No other committee meetings are currently scheduled at this time.

On motion by Elizabeth Williams, seconded by Richard Nitsch, and unanimously carried (7-0), the meeting adjourned at 8:05 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Laurie Braun, Secretary

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Dave Nickels". The signature is written in black ink and is positioned above a horizontal line.

Dave Nickels
Board Vice-President