

MINUTES OF BOARD MEETING
Manitowoc Board of Education
April 23, 2019

A special meeting of the Board of Education was called to order by Board President Dave Longmeyer at 12:19 p.m. Members present were: Mr. Dave Nickels, Ms. Lisa Johnston, Ms. Catherine Shallue, Ms. Elizabeth Williams, Mr. Richard Nitsch and Mr. Dave Longmeyer. Also present were Superintendent Mark Holzman and Board Secretary Laurie Braun. Members absent: Ms. Meredith Sauer

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

A motion was made by Elizabeth Williams, seconded by Lisa Johnston, and unanimously carried (6-0) to approve the minutes from the April 9, 2019 Regular Board Meeting.

Director of Human Resources Joyce Greenwood-Aerts presented the Personnel Report consisting of three (3) retirements, two (2) resignations, hiring six (6) professional staff, one (1) support staff and two (2) extra-curricular stipends. On a motion by Dave Nickels, seconded by Richard Nitsch, the Board unanimously (6-0) approved the Personnel Report and Addendum as presented.

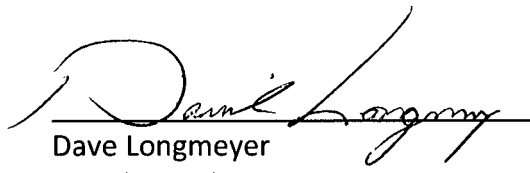
Superintendent Holzman presented a Grade Alignment update to the Board. This report included collecting and counting student choices for their elective courses. Mr. Holzman explained following the Board meeting today, Directors will be meeting with middle school staff to continue conversations regarding elective staffing. The goal is to communicate with staff by this Friday where they will be teaching the 2019-2020 school year. Wednesday, May 1st, teachers will be going to their new building locations as a way to welcome them to their new teaching and learning location. We will continue to provide you with any updates as we move forward. We are tentatively planning to meet April 29, 2019 in a closed session meeting to issue any preliminary notice of layoffs for teachers. Mr. Holzman did stress that this is just a preliminary notice to allow those individuals the opportunity to evaluate their options.

Board President Dave Longmeyer asked Building and Grounds Director Chris Dupre' for and update on the moving aspect of grade alignment. Mr. Dupre' explained that the first move will involve moving the current Jr. High teachers to the High School. The 6th grade teachers will then move to their new middle school building. Chris also explained general informational meetings have been taking place at the buildings. Staff will be provided with boxes and a labeling system to aid in the move from one building to another, as well as moving to a different room within the same building. Ultimately, there will be approximately 70% movement of classrooms within the buildings district wide. Board member Richard Nitsch questioned how will the move affect Summer School. It was acknowledge that there are some concerns, but we are continuing to have discussions with the staff and building principals.

A motion was made by Catherine Shallue, seconded by Elizabeth Williams to move into closed session. By a unanimous roll call vote (6-0), the meeting moved into closed session at 12:37 p.m. for the purpose of Discussion and Identification of School District Collective Bargaining Strategy with the Respect to Successor Collective Bargaining Contract with the Manitowoc Education Association Collective Bargaining Unit, as Authorized Pursuant to Section 19.85(1)(e) of Wisconsin Statutes.

On motion by Dave Nickels, seconded by Richard Nitsch, the meeting adjourned at 1:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Laurie Braun, Secretary


Dave Longmeyer
Board President