

MINUTES OF BOARD MEETING
Manitowoc Board of Education
May 26, 2020

A virtual special meeting of the Board of Education was called to order by Board President Dave Nickels at 12:11 p.m. Members present were: Ms. Lisa Johnston, Mr. Dave Nickels, Ms. Meredith Sauer, Ms. Catherine Shallue, Ms. Elizabeth Williams, and Ms. Kathy Willis. Also present were Superintendent Mark Holzman and Board Secretary Laurie Braun.

The meeting began with the Pledge of Allegiance. Board members logged into BoardBook and verification of virtual connection to the meeting was confirmed.

The Board vacancy position was discussed. On motion by Lisa Johnston, seconded by Elizabeth Williams, the Board unanimously (6-0) appointed Richard Nitsch to fill the vacant Board seat until April 2021. Mr. Nitsch accepted the appointment, signed the Oath of Office and joined the meeting as a Board member.

A motion was made by Elizabeth Williams, seconded by Kathy Willis, and unanimously carried (7-0) to approve the minutes from the May 12, 2020 Public Hearing, Organizational Meeting and Regular Board Meeting.

Director of Human Resources Joyce Greenwood-Aerts presented the Personnel Report consisting of one (1) retirement, three (3) resignations, hiring eleven (11) professional staff personnel and one (1) lane movement. On a motion by Kathy Willis, seconded by Richard Nitsch, the Board unanimously approved (7-0) the Personnel Report and Addendum as presented.

Superintendent Holzman provided a District Activity and Return to School Update. Mr. Holzman communicated that we continue to receive guidance from the DPI, CDC, and our County Health Department and nurses. School Districts are not expecting a rule from DPI as to what returning to school will look like, but rather they will be receiving guidelines for districts to make plans and procedures for returning to school be as safe as possible. MPSD will also be returning student materials in cooperation with Brandt Buses. Communication has gone out to families that materials will be packaged and delivered to student's homes utilizing a contact-free drop-off/delivery. Looking at what is next, Mr. Holzman shared the face-to-face summer school has been canceled for June and we will be making notification to staff and families by the end of the week what summer school for July may look like. The district is also looking at what returning to work at district buildings for our 12-month employees may look like. Some employees have already returned such as custodial and maintenance staff, some staff is working a blended schedule by working from home and coming into the office and others are strictly working from home. As a District, we also need to take a look at our District's Facility Use policy and how this will be applied moving forward. Mr. Holzman communicated we will need to have a plan in place as to what the use of District facilities will look like after June 30, 2020, when the safer at home restrictions for schools ends. The District continues to have

discussions of what returning to school for staff and students might look like following the current recommended guidelines. Some of the challenges being discussed are students that are bussed to and from school and what will the cafeteria setting look like with social distancing? Fall sports is another area we are working on as most student athletes and coaching staff return around August 1st. We will need to have a plan in place for this as well and communicate that to our staff, student-athletes, and community. Again, many challenging topics of discussion within our district so that we can ensure the safety of our staff and students moving forward into the new school year. Mr. Holzman suggested that the Return to School Update be a continued agenda item of discussion to keep the parents and community as a whole informed, the board unanimously agreed.

The McKinley Academy Contract was brought back to the full Board as requested by the majority of the Board members at the May 12, 2020 meeting. After continued discussion, a motion was made by Board member Elizabeth Williams, seconded by Dave Nickels to approve the McKinley Academy Contract as presented. Further discussion transpired and a motion was made by Meredith Sauer, seconded by Lisa Johnston to amend the contract terms to reflect 2021-2024. After a brief discussion, a motion was made by Kathy Willis, seconded by Lisa Johnston, and unanimously approved (7-0) the McKinley Academy Contract with amended terms 2021-2024.

The Waiver of Community Service Hours for the 2020 Senior Class was addressed by the Board. Board members had the opportunity to review the current policies and ask any questions. On motion by Richard Nitsch, seconded by Lisa Johnston, the waiver was unanimously (7-0) approved.

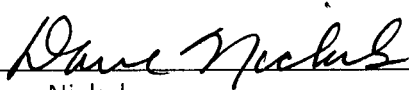
The Board unanimously accepted Kathy Willis to serve as the CESA 7 Representative for MPSD.

On motion by Elizabeth Williams, seconded by Lisa Johnston, the Board unanimously (7-0) approved the appointment of Kathy Willis to serve as the Representative for the WASB Delegate Assembly and Richard Nitsch to serve as the alternate Representative.

Board President Dave Nickels reported Board of Education Committee assignments have been completed. Mr. Nickels will forward the list to each of the Board members.

On motion by Meredith Sauer, seconded by Richard Nitsch, and unanimously carried (7-0), the meeting adjourned at 1:08 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Laurie Braun, Secretary



Dave Nickels
Board President