

MINUTES OF BOARD MEETING
Manitowoc Public School District Board of Education
July 26, 2022

The Special meeting of the Board of Education was called to order by Board President Stacey Soeldner at 4:01 p.m. Members present were: Mr. Collin Braunel, Mr. Matthew Phipps, Ms. Stacey Soeldner (attending virtually), Mr. Matthew Spaulding, Mr. Tony Vlastelica, and Ms. Kathy Willis. Board Member Kerry Trask was absent. Ms. Soeldner stated Board Vice-President will proceed with conducting the meeting due to her attending virtually. Also present were Interim Superintendent James Feil, Directors, and Board Secretary Laurie Braun.

On motion from Tony Vlastelica, seconded by Stacey Soeldner, the Board unanimously approved (6-0) items included on the Consent Agenda; minutes from the July 12, 2022, General Board of Education meeting and minutes from the July 19, 2022, Curriculum meeting.

The Personnel Report and Addendum to the Personnel Report were presented by the Director of Human Resources, Joyce Greenwood-Aerts. The Personnel Report consisted of four (4) resignations, the hiring of two (2) professional staff personnel, three (3) support staff, and one level movement for the 2022-23 school year. The Addendum to the Personnel Report consisted of hiring three (3) support staff including the new Director of Human Resources. On motion from Kathy Willis, seconded by Matthew Phipps, the Board unanimously approved (6-0) the Personnel Report and Addendum as presented.

The second read of Policy 5136-Personal Communication Devices was brought forward to the full Board after being tabled at the 7-12-22 Board Meeting and reviewed at the 7-19-22 Curriculum Committee Meeting. Committee Chairperson Kathy Willis provided a summary of the changes that were highlighted in the revision to Policy 5136. The Board unanimously approved (6-0) the second read of Policy 5136-Personal Communication Devices as presented.

Items brought forward to the Board from the 7-19-22 Curriculum Committee Meeting; Adoption of the Math Applications Textbook and the Financial Accounting Textbook adoptions was unanimously (6-0) approved by the Board. Curriculum Committee Chairperson Kathy Willis shared that both textbooks have been on display for 30 days and available for the public to view before final approval.

The Academic Standards were also brought forward to the full Board from the 7-19-22 Curriculum Committee. Pam Lensmire, Director of Education provided a summary of the Academic Standards, how we will align to those standards through curriculum, best practices and action planning. Board members had the opportunity to ask questions and provide comments. The Board unanimously approved (6-0), the Academic Standards for the 2022-2022 school year.

Remarks from the Board President included Interim Superintendent Fiel and Ms. Soeldner will be meeting with Brett Norell from Healthcare Solutions to discuss the time frame and scope of work. Board member Soeldner will provide an update after this meeting.

Future Meeting dates include the Finance & Budget Committee will be meeting August 3rd at 4pm, Ad-Hoc Student Behavior Advisory Committee will meet July 28th at 1pm, and the Curriculum Committee is scheduled to meet August 16th at 5pm. There is no Personnel or Buildings & Grounds Committee meetings scheduled at this time. The next General meeting is scheduled August 9 at 6pm. The Board also discussed having a set start time of 6pm for General Board meetings moving forward.

A motion to adjourn was made by Matthew Spaulding, seconded by Kathy Willis, and unanimously carried (6-0). The meeting adjourned at 4:17 p.m.

Stacey E. Soeldner

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Respectfully submitted,
Laurie Braun, Board Secretary