

MINUTES OF BOARD MEETING
Manitowoc Board of Education
September 10, 2019

A regular meeting of the Board of Education was called to order by Board President Dave Longmeyer at 7:02 p.m. Members present were: Ms. Meredith Sauer, Ms. Elizabeth Williams, Ms. Catherine Shallue, Mr. Richard Nitsch, Ms. Lisa Johnston and Mr. Dave Longmeyer. Also present were Superintendent Mark Holzman and Board Secretary Laurie Braun.

Member absent: Mr. Dave Nickels

The meeting began with the Pledge of Allegiance. Roll was taken and Board members were logged into BoardBook.

A motion was made by Catherine Shallue, seconded by Elizabeth Williams, and unanimously carried (6-0) to approve the minutes from the August 27, 2019 Special Board meeting.

The Board acknowledged any communications; none were received.

No public input was presented to the Board at this meeting.

Buildings and Grounds Committee Chairperson, Catherine Shallue reported on the August 19, 2019 Buildings and Grounds Committee Meeting. Ms. Shallue shared the meeting was held and the McKinley Building and a tour of the facility was taken to see the overall condition of the building. Discussion included exploring the options of possible building use to the process of possibly selling the property. The District currently has no future plans for use of the McKinley Building. A final grade alignment move update was provided, as well as an update for the 3rd floor reconstruction at Lincoln High School, a summary of completed and future capital improvement projects in the district and an overview of Rubick Field's grass practice facility. On motion from Elizabeth Williams, seconded by Lisa Johnston, the minutes from the August 19, 2019 Buildings and Grounds Committee were unanimously (6-0) approved.

The payment of vouchers was presented by Director of Business Services, Shawn Alfred. A motion was made by Catherine Shallue, seconded by Richard Nitsch, and unanimously carried (7-0) to approve Bill List 8-1-19 through 8-31-19. This Bill List reflects district operating expenses and district payroll, for a total operating expense of \$4,309,256.70. This payroll does not include any teacher salaries, as this will start again in September. Director Alfred also shared the financial reports for the months of June, July and August, 2019. These are the unaudited reports and will be finalized within the next week. Mr. Alfred also

provided a brief overview of the fund balance, stating the district ended just below the \$16 million mark. The District had a good year regarding health insurance expenditures, in addition the Special Education fund came in \$400,000 less than anticipated. Mr. Alfred also reported that the final audit report will be available in December.

Director of Human Resources Joyce Greenwood-Aerts, presented the Personnel Report consisting of two (2) resignations, one (1) retirement, hiring three (3) professional staff, five (5) support staff, three (3) lane movements and extra-curricular stipends. Board members had the opportunity to ask questions regarding the information presented on the Personnel Report. On a motion by Catherine Shallue, seconded by Richard Nitsch, the Board unanimously (6-0) approved the Personnel Report as presented.

Superintendent Holzman acknowledged the Superintendent and Director's Report. Board members were provided the opportunity to ask questions and provide comments. Director of Human Resources Joyce Greenwood-Aerts acknowledged the possible steps we can take to address the state-wide teacher shortage and what we can do as a District to attract and retain staff. This will continue to be an area of focus in our district moving forward.

A New School Year Update was also presented to the Board. Superintendent Holzman communicated that we are off to an exciting start after the busy summer of moving staff, students, furniture and supplies. Mr. Holzman acknowledged we may need to make some adjustments along the way regarding lunch periods at Lincoln and the traffic patterns at some of the other schools. Mr. Holzman reiterated the one thing we are hearing from the teachers and staff is they are ready to go. They are ready to start working with their collaborative partners and ready for students to start learning. Mr. Holzman also shared it was a packed house at the Friday football game. The student section was full, the band was fantastic and it was a very positive vibe all around. Conversations are taking place regarding enrollment with the third Friday count next Friday, September 20th.

Some discussion regarding the McKinley Academy Staff and Student Travel took place. Board member Meredith Sauer explained the financial aspect of student fundraising, grade approval and the standard for attendance to be at a minimum 85%. On motion brought forward from the September 10, 2019 Curriculum Committee meeting, the Board approved (6-0), travel for McKinley Academy Staff and Students to Washington D.C., June 5-9, 2020, with insurance approval, as presented.

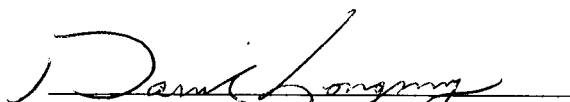
Superintendent Holzman shared a reminder of upcoming Board development opportunities that included the September 24th, WASB 2019 Fall Regional Meeting and Workshops held at Millhome Supper Club in Kiel, WI and the State Education Convention, scheduled January 22-24, 2020 in Milwaukee. Any interested Board members please inform the Board Secretary if you will be attending.

Dave Longmeyer initiated follow-up discussion regarding the Board Workshop/Retreat. Board members had the opportunity to follow up with comments. All Board members agreed the guest speaker was very informative and much of the information presented will be helpful moving forward as an informed Board.

Future meeting dates were discussed. The Curriculum Committee will be meeting October 8, 2019 at 6:15 p.m. and the Personnel Committee will be meeting yet the month of September, date to be determined.

On motion by Richard Nitsch, seconded by Catherine Shallue, the meeting adjourned at 7:54 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Laurie Braun, Secretary


Dave Longmeyer, Board President