

**BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING
MONDAY, MAY 10, 2010 – 7:00 P.M.
POYNETTE HIGH SCHOOL IMC**

Vice President Joe McIlrath called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. in the Poynette High School IMC. This meeting was noticed in the May 5, 2010 issue of the Poynette Press, amended and posted in various areas of the community. Roll Call: Present – W. Bender, J. Burke, R. Hoffman, K. Lucey, J. McIlrath, G. Scherneck, R. Wilkinson. Administration: B. Wolfe, N. Mair, A. Chittick, B. Sutton. Student: Lydia Caldwell. Media, Staff, and district residents were also present.

Motion by Bender/Scherneck to approve the printed agenda. Motion carried with all present voting yes.

Motion by Bender/Wilkinson to approve the April 19, 2010 minutes as printed.
Motion carried unanimously.

BOARD REORGANIZATION

Motion by Burke/McIlrath to nominate Kathleen Lucey as President. Motion to close nominations and cast a unanimous ballot by Scherneck/McIlrath. Unanimous approval.

Motion by Lucey/Hoffman to nominate Jerry Burke as Vice President. Motion to close nominations and cast a unanimous ballot by Bender/Wilkinson. Unanimous approval.

Motion by Bender/McIlrath to nominate Richard Wilkinson as Clerk. Motion to close nominations and cast a unanimous ballot by Burke/Scherneck. Motion carried; Wilkinson abstained.

Motion by Wilkinson/Hoffman to nominate William Bender as Treasurer. Motion to close nominations and cast a unanimous ballot by Lucey/McIlrath. Motion carried; Bender abstained.

IN-SERVICE REPORTS:

Student Representative Lydia Caldwell: Inaugural Fine Arts Pep Rally was held on April 29th featuring student presentations from drama, forensics, music, and creative writing. Pauquette Track Invite will be on Thursday, May 13. Poynette Softball Jamboree was rained out and planned reschedule is May 22. Softball team will play in Wisconsin Rapids Assumption Tournament.

K-8 Principal Brian Sutton: Kindergarten classes from Arlington and Dekorra had an orientation session at K-8 building on May 10; grades one, two, and three will visit in upcoming weeks. Arlington Spring Concert and Poynette 4th/5th Grade Spring Concert were very well attended with the usual great performances by the students. Middle School Spring Music Concert featuring both Band and Choir will be May 20 at 7:00pm.

For High School Principal Craig McCallum: McCallum is at Capitol Conference Academic Honors Banquet. Representing Poynette among the 120 honorees are: Alyssa Bennett, Taylor Blumenstein, Rachel Eloranta, Danielle Graeve, Vicki Gramse, Shelby McIlrath, Drew Piehl, Katlyn Saley, Sara Vinson, and Rebecca Volden. Kathleen Lucey volunteered to present the School Board Rep Plaque on Senior Class Night. Joe McIlrath and Gregg Scherneck volunteered to assist with presentation of diplomas at Graduation.

Superintendent Barb Wolfe: There will be another public hearing to discuss the options for closing the Interstate bridge on CS on May 26 at the Village Hall. PEA approved the 'Race to the Top' proposal which will be submitted to DPI before the May 20 deadline. DPI WINNS web site contains numerous data errors including ones for Poynette district; the error page should be consulted. Administration has been researching a virtual learning options for our students and others including home schooled children.

Board Members: Randy Wolfe reported he had attended the WASB Spring Academy.

COMMUNITY FORUM: None

DISCUSSION/ACTION ON DEFEASANCE: Business Manager Nancy Mair reported on the process needed to allocate the remainder of the unexpended pool project funds back to the tax levy now that the project is completed. Motion by Scherneck/McIlrath to approve the resolution authorizing the defeasance for the transfer of the balance of the funds from the 2007 referendum approved for the purpose of pool replacement as presented. Motion carried with all present voting yes on a roll call vote.

DISCUSSION/ACTION ON 2010-11 BUDGET: Administration reported current projected budget deficit of \$209,818. Recommended resolution was about \$90,000 in cuts to the maintenance budget and about \$120,000 savings from partial staff layoffs.

DISCUSSION/ACTION ON LAYOFF NOTICES: Motion by Scherneck/Bender to approve a 50% layoff notice for elementary music (Delores Schoeneck) as presented for the 2010-2011 school year. Motion carried on a roll call vote with all present voting yes. Motion by Scherneck/McIlrath to approve a 50% layoff notice for education excellence (Jeanne Mutchler) as presented for the 2010-2011 school year. Motion carried on a roll call vote with all present voting yes. Motion to approve a 5% layoff notice for K-8 counseling (Vicki Sukowski) as presented for the 2010-2011 school year. Motion carried on a roll call vote with all present voting yes.

DISCUSSION/ACTION ON POLICY FOR USE OF SCHOOL'S WIRELESS TECHNOLOGY: Pending change of two proposed revisions, policy will be presented for it's second reading and approval at a future board meeting.

DISCUSSION/ACTION ON POLICY FOR EARLY ENTRY IN THE 4 YEAR OLD KINDERGARTEN PROGRAM:

Pending further discussion at the May 12 advisory committee meeting, there was board consensus to not allow early entry into this program.

DISCUSSION/ACTION ON EARLY ENTRY REQUEST TO 5 YEAR OLD KINDERGARTEN:

Motion by Burke/Bender to approve an early entry request for 5 year old kindergarten as presented. Motion carried with all present voting yes.

DISCUSSION/ACTION ON GOAL SETTING MEETING, AGENDA, COMMITTEE MEMBERSHIP:

The first of two proposed meetings will be on Tuesday, June 15 at 6:00pm.

DISCUSSION ON EXIT INTERVIEW POLICY REQUEST: The pros and cons of implementing current practice into a written policy and using a written exit interview form in place of the current oral interview were discussed.

UPDATE ON FOUNDATION MEETING: At the first meeting the main issue of a foundation exclusively for school district groups versus a broader focus was discussed. The next meeting is scheduled for June 10 at which more groups will be invited.

DISCUSSION/ACTION ON NEW SCHOLARSHIP: The family of Don Kerr would like to create a new scholarship for a graduating basketball player possessing other positive qualities, hopefully for this year. Motion by Scherneck/McIlrath to approve the scholarship from the family of Don Kerr as presented. Motion carried with all present voting yes.

DISCUSSION/ACTION OF BOARD PAY: Motion by Burke/McIlrath to approve the proration of salary for members and officers on a monthly basis. Motion carried on a roll call with all present voting yes. Motion by Burke/Schernecker to authorize payment of salary to members and officers for services earned in past year with no returns from other members/officers. Motion carried on a roll call vote with Wilkinson abstaining.

FUTURE BOARD AGENDA ITEMS:

High School Course Considerations
Board Community Communications
Graduate Survey Presentation
Mission Statement
Policy/Communication Visits
Foundation Update/Advertising
Police Liaison
PE Follow-up on PEP grant
Food Service Update
Possible Referendum
Policy Review
Block Schedule
Administrative Staffing
Pandemic Plan Update
Town of Dekorra/District Agreement
2009-10 Budget Update
Update for Summer School Participation
Agenda Policy

Motion by Wilkinson/Bender to adjourn at 9:15p.m. Motion carried unanimously with all present voting yes.

These minutes are subject to approve at the next meeting of the Board of Education.

Richard Wilkinson, Clerk