

**BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING
MONDAY, NOVEMBER 14, 2011
POYNETTE HIGH SCHOOL IMC**

President Lucey called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. in the High School IMC. This meeting agenda was noticed in the November 9, 2011 Poynette Press and posted in various areas of the community. Roll Call: Present – Hoffmann, Lucey, McIlrath, Noble (7:04pm), Scherneck, Tomlinson, Wilkinson. Administration: Westhoff, Mair, Sutton, Shappell. Student: Skaar. District residents and press were present.

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

Motion by Scherneck/McIlrath to approve the minutes of the October 24, 2011 meeting as printed. Motion carried with all present voting yes.

REPORTS:

Shappell: The WIAA Meeting on determining Poynette's future conference membership will be on December 2nd.

Sutton: PreK meeting re-scheduled for November 16. Veteran's Day Assembly went well. NBC-15 appearances on 6:00am hour currently scheduled for November 16 & 23.

Mair: Skyward staffing software is being installed.

Skaar: Annual Veteran's Day ceremony participation including the usual excellent job by HS Band.

Westhoff: Met with Riteway on single bus route issue and President Lucey on posting the District Administrators position.

Board: Curriculum Committee had a presentation on literacy efforts in the PreK and Kindergarten classrooms with the major expressed concern being less assistance from Title I. Committee schedules: Curriculum: 11/18; Policy/Finance 11/28; Facilities: 11/22.

CONSIDERATION OF BUS ROUTES FOR THE 2012-13 SCHOOL YEAR: Representatives from Riteway presented some facts relating to using a single bus route system rather than the current two-route system. The cost per bus is reduced from \$35,000 per year to \$31,000 per year; a one-route system would require 4-6 additional buses. For this segment of the costs the projected annual increase would be \$125,000 to \$180,000. Not included in those figures is fuel costs. This was developed under the requirement that no student be on the bus more than 70 minutes. Benefits would include a later start time with possible reduced staffing and more instructional time in a day.

PUMA PRIDE: Administrators have been working on a system to increase personal responsibility of each student for their conduct and the scholastic performance. This is part of the Response to Intervention system to provide appropriate personal attention to each student and their unique needs.

HONEYWELL/ESG UPDATE: Meetings are scheduled between administration and the company on November 15 regarding the energy saving initiatives and on November 17 regarding the referendum construction project.

RETIREMENT OF MEMBER OF CUSTODIAL STAFF: Mickey Nauert submitted his retirement letter.

CUSTODIAL STAFFING OPTIONS: The plan is to hire a Saturday-only custodian to replace the full-time occupied by Mr. Nauert. A factor in the decision was looking ahead to projected large deficit in the 2012-13 budget and avoiding having to lay off an employee.

CONSIDERATION FOR EARLY GRADUATION REQUESTS: Five students requested and were granted administrative recommendation for graduating after the first semester.

BLOCK SCHEDULING COMMITTEE UPDATE: The committee is still doing research on the options available to the high school.

CONSIDERATION OF A DONATION: An anonymous donation has been offered to provide materials for the Eighth grade program.

CONSIDERATION OF NAMING A WASB DELEGATE FOR 2012: Several board members indicated they planned to attend the 2012 WASB convention.

ACTION ITEMS: Motion by Lucey/Schernecker to approve the custodial staffing recommendations as presented. Motion carried with McIlrath voting 'no'. Motion by Lucey/Hoffmann to accept the resignation of Steve Koss with implementation of the liquidated damages as stated in the Master Agreement. Motion carried on a roll call vote with all present voting yes. Motion by Schernecker/Wilkinson to approve the early graduation requests of all five students. Motion carried with all present voting yes. Motion by Schernecker/McIlrath to accept the anonymous donation of \$3,500 for eighth grade technology materials. Motion carried with all present voting yes. Motion by McIlrath/Schernecker to designate Kathleen Lucey as the Poynette representative to the WASB delegate assembly for 2012. Motion carried with all present voting yes.

Motion by Lucey/Tomlinson to go into executive session for the discussion and possible consideration of action as per WI s.s. 19.85(1)(e) Collective Bargaining at 9:10pm. Motion carried on a roll call vote with all present voting yes.

Motion by Schernecker/Noble to return to open session at 9:40pm. Motion carried with all present voting yes.

Motion by Schernecker/Wilkinson to adjourn at 9:41pm. Motion carried with all present voting yes.

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

Richard Wilkinson, Clerk