

**BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING
MONDAY, DECEMBER 19, 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 December 14, 2011 Poynette Press and posted in various areas of the community. Roll Call: Present – Hoffmann, Lucey, McIlrath, Noble, Scherneck, Tomlinson, Wilkinson. Administration: Westhoff, Mair, Sutton, Shappell. Student: Skaar. District residents and press were present.

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

Motion by Tomlinson/Scherneck to approve the minutes of the November 28 and December 12, 2011 meetings as printed. Motion carried with all present voting yes.

Motion by Wilkinson/Lucey to approve the Treasurer's Report. Motion carried with all present voting yes.

REPORTS:

Skaar: The National Honor Society book drive and Student Council food donation projects were successful. Upcoming events include a pep rally.

Shappell: The Holiday Splash and FFA fruit sale were successful events.

Mair: Reported on deadlines for candidate forms.

Chittick: Reported on trends for the past ten years on home-schooling in the Poynette district.

Board: Curriculum Committee had a presentation on literacy efforts in the Middle School. Policy/ Finance Committee provided recommendations for budget and energy financing.

HONEYWELL/ESG FINDINGS AND RECOMMENDATIONS: Lisa Voison/Robert W. Baird & Co. presented a comparison of the two proposed energy project financing plans. A proposed Lease Purchase Agreement for \$1,611,759 would carry a 3.4% interest rate; a proposed General Obligation Refunding Bond for \$1,645,000 would carry a 2.72% interest rate. The finance committee proposed the latter option.

REFERENDUM CONSTRUCTION PROJECT UPDATE: Geoff Bray/Bray Architects outlined a process to review earlier possible changes to the original project and presented options for bidding out the final project in late winter or early spring for obtaining the most competitive bids.

DISTRICT ADMINSTRATOR SEARCH – UPDATE: The finalized posting for a new Superintendent will be placed on several key web sites within the week.

STAFFING UPDATE: All positions have been filled with intermediate or long-term substitutes.

BOARD ELECTION UPDATE: Noble and Scherneck have filed the candidate forms and Lucey is preparing her form. Wilkinson has filed a non-candidate form. The deadline for candidates is January 3, 2012.

DONATIONS: Two donations have been offered for girl's basketball uniforms.

ACTION ITEMS: Motion by Lucey/McIlrath to approve funding for the ESG Guaranteed Energy Savings Project as presented by Baird for an amount no greater than \$1,645,000. Motion carried on a roll call vote with all present voting yes. Motion by Lucey/Schernecker to approve Dr. Westhoff posting the district administrator vacancy and reviewing applications as they are received. Motion carried with all present voting yes. Motion by Lucey/Wilkinson to accept the resignation of Dana Roberts. Motion carried with all present voting yes. Motion by Lucey/McIlrath to accept the resignation of Jared Ryan as varsity baseball coach. Motion carried with all present voting yes. Motion by Lucey/Schernecker to accept the donation of \$540 from the Poynette Basketball Club and \$900 from Jeff Bruner to be used toward the purchase of basketball uniforms for the girl's basketball team. Motion carried with all present voting yes.

Motion by Schernecker/Tomlinson to adjourn at 8:20 pm. 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