BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING
MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 26, 2011 – 7:00 P.M.
POYNETTE HIGH SCHOOL IMC

President Lucey called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. in the Poynette High School IMC. This meeting agenda was noticed in the September 21, 2011 issue of the Poynette Press and posted in various areas of the community. Roll Call: Present – Hoffmann, Lucey, McIlrath, Schernecker, Tomlinson, Wilkinson. Administration: Westhoff, Mair, Sutton, Chittick, Shappell. Student: Skaar. District residents and press were present.

Motion by Lucey/Schernecker to approve the agenda as amended. Motion carried with all present voting yes.

Motion by Schernecker/McIlrath to approve the minutes for the September 12, 2011 meeting as printed. Motion carried with all present voting yes.

Motion by Wilkinson/Tomlinson to approve the treasurer's report as presented. Motion carried with all present voting yes.

REPORTS:
Bridget Skaar: Homecoming events will be held in the coming week.
Alan Chittick: Four students are currently participating in the e-school program. The district is planning to handle the noon routes for EC and 4K with its own vans.
Matt Shappell: The 'Plan' and 'Explore' tests will be given next week. The WIAA board will consider the issue of changing Poynette's conference affiliation to the South Central Conference in mid-October.
Brian Sutton: Elementary teachers are conducting benchmark reading assessments. Fall MAP testing will be next week. A $10,000 grant provided for the purchase of 25 Chrome books. Parent-Teacher conferences and Parent's Club fundraising are coming soon.
Nancy Mair: Preliminary student enrollment for DPI purposes is 1117 FTE. Current open enrollment status is 21 attending in the district and 12 attending out of the district.
Board: October meetings will be the 10th and 24th. The Facilities Committee met with ESG to review their options for involvement in the Referendum Construction Project.

SCHOOL BOARD VACANCY: Candidates Chris David and Jeffrey Noble were interviewed regarding their qualifications for membership on the board. On the first ballot their was a tie. On the second ballot Noble received four of the six votes. Noble was sworn in and seated as a member of the board.

STUDENT TRANSPORTATION CONSIDERATIONS: Riteway Bus Service representatives reviewed the start of the school year and resolution of early issues. Westhoff presented his thoughts about switching to a single route system. Riteway will again review the cost differences.

FACILITIES COMMITTEE MEETING: Tomlinson reviewed the progress made at the last meeting. Tentatively meeting with ESG again on October 6.

SALE OF DEKORRA SCHOOL SITE CONSIDERATIONS: The board briefly reviewed its options prior to meeting with legal counsel in Executive Session.

SWIMMING POOL CONSIDERATIONS: Shappell addressed his concerns about having only one person in charge of the pool and building, particularly if that person is a student. Options are being reviewed the enhance the safety issues during Open Swim.

RESIGNATIONS: Replacements will be hired for new vacancies in Special Ed. Aides.

BOARD OF EDUCATION COMMITTEE STRUCTURE: The board reviewed possibilities of creating new committees.

ACTION ITEMS:
Motion by Lucey/Schernecker to have three committees: policy/finance, facilities, curriculum. Motion carried with all present voting yes. Two new committees were formed: 1) Policy/Finance with board members Hoffmann, Schernecker and Noble; 2) Curriculum with board members Lucey and Wilkinson. The Facilities Committee will continue with Tomlinson and McIlrath. Individual committees will discuss the addition of community members and/or staff as participants on the respective committee.
Motion by Schernecker/McIlrath to hire: Patti Hutchinson, Amber Erickson, and Brittany Delfino as Special Education assistants, John Repka as noon 4K driver, and Bob Tomlinson High School Head Softball Coach. Motion carried on a roll call vote with all present voting yes.

Motion by Wilkinson/Lucey to go into Executive Session as per WI s.s. 19.85 (1)(c)(e) for 1) Consideration of Action on setting the terms for the sale of the Dekorra School Site; and 2) Consideration of Action on contracts of the Administrative Team at 9:05pm. Motion carried on a roll call vote with all present voting yes.

Motion by Schernecker/McIlrath to accept the CSM for the Dekorra School Site, exchange quit claim deeds with the Town of Dekorra for Lots 1 and 2, and appoint Kathleen Lucey as signor for the district. Motion carried on a roll call vote with all present voting yes.

Motion by Schernecker/McIlrath to authorize the sale of the Dekorra School Site following the conditions of the DeForest Area School District/Town of Leeds purchase agreement terms with the exception of: the purchase price of $1,000.00; each party will pay their own attorney fees; closing will be on or before October 31, 2011; the leaseback provision will be eliminated; buyer will pay seller retail value of fuels on site on day of closing. Motion carried on a roll call vote: Yes – Hoffmann, Lucey, McIlrath, Noble, Tomlinson. No – Wilkinson

Motion by Schernecker/Tomlinson to adjourn at 10:02pm. 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