

**BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING  
MONDAY, OCTOBER 4, 2010 – 7:00 P.M.  
POYNETTE HIGH SCHOOL IMC**

President Kathleen Lucey called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. in the Poynette High School IMC. This meeting notice was noticed in the September 29 Poynette Press and posted in various areas of the community. Roll Call: Present – Bender, Hoffmann, Lucey, Scherneck, Wilkinson. Absent: Burke, McIlrath. Administration: Wolfe, Mair, Chittick, McCallum, Sutton. Students: Saley, Kreyer. Media, Staff, and district residents were also present.

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

**IN-SERVICE REPORTS:**

**Craig McCallum:** Student Council will be meeting to discuss issues for next year's homecoming. Students participated in the Fine Arts Weekend as the lead school for the 25<sup>th</sup> year. Mrs. Cross directed the Fashion and Bridal Show for the 28<sup>th</sup> year.

**Superintendent Barb Wolfe:** There were 1139 students attending classes on the third Friday of September. Enrollment was 1148. There were 1123 full-time equivalent students compared with 1102 last year.

**Kathleen Lucey:** Four board members attended the WASB Region 10 annual meeting which featured a educational technology presentation by Poynette teachers Amy Hodgeman and Katie Morrissey.

**COMMUNITY FORUM:** Questions and opinions were presented about Block Scheduling.

**DISCUSSION/ACTION ON BUILDING GOALS:** Mr. Sutton and Mr. McCallum each made lengthy presentations on the specifics of the general goals of improving literacy, communication, and the use of 21<sup>st</sup> Century teaching skills developed by the goal-setting committee. These included action steps and assessment criteria.

**DISCUSSION/ACTION ON FEDERAL JOBS ACT:** Ms. Wolfe reported on the positions filled using funds from the Act including Third grade teacher, IMC aide, special ed aide, Title 1 assistance and a portion of the middle school counseling. Administration will be meeting with Fourth grade teachers to discuss their potential needs.

**DISCUSSION/ACTION ON MAP ASSESSMENT PURCHASE AND USE:** Discussions with the CESA 5 representative indicated that grades one through seven would be the group that would most benefit from this computer based assessment system. Bender/Scherneck motion to approve the purchase and use of Measures of Academic Progress as presented. Motion carried on a roll call with all present voting yes.

**DISCUSSION/ACTION ON BUILDING TOURS:** Board members will tour classrooms during school and all facilities when students are not present.

**DISCUSSION OF BLOCK SCHEDULE:** Mr. McCallum gave a history of the discussion and preparation from 1996 through 2001. The goals were to reduce discipline problems resulting from many students having up to three study halls per day, reduce students receiving at least one F grade, and increase the graduation rate. All goals have been achieved. Concerns include high student counts in some classes and continuity issues, particularly in math and Spanish when a student may take a class

first semester one year and the following class not until second semester the following year. Both student representatives present spoke positively about their experiences in school with the block schedule.

**DISCUSSION/ACTION ON STUDENT ACHIEVEMENT CONSORTIUM:** Primary benefit this year will be literacy opportunities available to our staff associated with our literacy goal. Lucey/Wilkinson motion to approve participation in the CESA #5 Student Achievement Consortium as presented for the 2010-11 school year at a cost of \$2,545.00. Motion carried on a roll call vote with all present voting yes.

**FUTURE BOARD AGENDA ITEMS:**

Policy revision for alcohol/tobacco  
Curriculum status  
High School Course Considerations  
PE follow-up on PEP grant  
Graduate Survey presentation  
Possible Referendum and QSCB Program  
Block scheduling and scheduling options  
Middle School Stage Curtains  
Association for Equity in School Funding  
Bus Company Report  
Federal Jobs Act  
Finalize Budget  
Set Tax Levy  
ACT Scores/Advanced Placement  
Common Core Standards & Goals Presentation  
Enrollment Report  
Curriculum – Reading  
Facility Utilization  
Dekorra School Forest  
e-School Update  
Breakfast Program Report

Motion by Bender/Wilkinson to go into closed session under state statute 19.85(1)(c) Discussion of Administrator Goals. Motion carried on roll call vote 4-1 with Hoffmann voting no. 10:00pm

Motion by Scherneckner/Bender to go into open session. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Scherneckner/Wilkinson to adjourn at 10:05 pm. Motion carried unanimously.

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

Richard Wilkinson, Clerk