

SCHOOL BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING

MONDAY, JANUARY 11, 2010

SCHOOL DISTRICT OF PITTSVILLE

OFFICIAL SCHOOL BOARD OF EDUCATION MINUTES

I. Call to Order

A regular monthly meeting of the Pittsville School Board of Education was held on Monday, January 11, 2010. The meeting was called to order by President Wesely at 7:00 p.m. in the Conference Center.

II. Establish Quorum

Members present: Jane Wesely, Connie Potter, MaryAnn Lippert Lisa Schulz, and Julie Strenn. Administration present: Terry Reynolds, District Administrator; John Olig, High School Principal; JoAnn Sondelski, Elementary Principal; Jeff Gast, Finance Director; Dick Koeshall, Director of Buildings and Grounds; Joe Dostal, Food Service Director; and Chris Nepper, Computer Technologies.

III. Meeting Notice Certification

Meeting notice was posted on the doors at the Elementary School, High School, and Administration Area and meeting notice was sent to the official newspaper, the *Wisconsin Rapids Daily Tribune* and also to the *Marshfield News Herald* and the *Pittsville Record*.

IV. Approval of Agenda

Motion was made by MaryAnn Lippert, seconded by Connie Potter, to approve the agenda for the January 11, 2010 Regular Meeting of the Pittsville School Board of Education as presented. Motion carried.

V. Public Comments

No public comments.

VI. Consent Agenda Items

- A. Minutes of Regular Meeting on December 14, 2009
- B. Invoices: General Fund 82898 to 83088 (\$376,333.00)
- C. Approve Updates to Policy 762: Food Service Policy
- D. Approve Donations (time and equipment use for leveling baseball diamond-Shawn Dupee Construction)

Motion was made by Lisa Schulz, seconded by Julie Strenn, to approve all items on the consent agenda as submitted. Motion carried

VII. Financial

A. Financial Status of the District

A handout of the financial status of the District was presented and discussed with the Board.

VIII. Reports

A. Director of Buildings and Grounds

- The holiday break was short. The custodial staff had three working days to go over the district's buildings. The staff did a great job on the hallways and restrooms.
- The plans to inspect and repair the bleachers were completed.
- A vent system for the computer server room is in place and operational.

- The ice and snow is still a problem. We plan to continue scraping and salting until some relief is in sight.
- Parts are on back order to replace faucets in the high school chemistry lab. These will be installed around classroom schedules, to not interfere with classes.

B. Food Services

- Our SMI review went very well. During the review, some minor problems were found and are already corrected. Also during the review, the importance of a breakfast program was stressed. As an administrative team, we discussed serving breakfast and we are looking closely at initiating a breakfast program. Mr. Dostal will attend a workshop in February to learn about starting and maintaining a breakfast program at Pittsville.
- We had 34 adults join us of lunch on December 18th followed by the holiday program in the auditorium.

C. Computer Technologies

- E-Rate. The filing process has started for applying for E-rate discounts for 2010-2011. We are applying for discounts for local, long distance, cell phone service, Internet service, and web page hosting.
- Microsoft-Wisconsin Lawsuit Settlement. Application forms have been field to receive our entitled funds from this settlement. We are expecting a check for \$24,850.
- Server Upgrade. Due to the increasing age of our servers and due to the fast approaching end-of-life of our Netware server software, vendors are being contacted to discuss proposals to upgrade our servers and move to a virtualized environment.

D. Elementary School

- We will be registering students for 4K beginning in February. Actual dates have not yet been set yet for this as well as the screening that is done in conjunction with registration. We are looking forward to getting to know the children who are going to be coming to our school and hope that parents will take advantage of getting their child registered early for our 4K program.
- Doug Schultz will represent our school at the New Wisconsin Promise Conference in Madison January 12 and 13. The theme for the conference is Every Child/Every Day.
- Participation in the conference is provided in part by our involvement in the Title 1 consortium.
- Kelly Look, Fay Niemann, and Nancy Brux are representing the elementary school at the CESA 5 math consortium. They are looking at the new math standards and with the help of the teachers of math are determining how we meet these standards in our current math curriculum. This work will help the district staff rewrite math curriculum which is scheduled to be completed during the summer of 2010.
- We are excited to offer a Family Math Night again this year. The event will be held on February 4th from 4-7:00 p.m. Teachers of math in grades PK-6 are preparing interactive activities on math concepts for students and their parents to participate in. Last year's event met with such overwhelming success and we are hoping for a repeat this year. We will be providing supper as a part of the event with math activities to follow. All of this will take place in the elementary school cafeteria and the junior high wing. Volunteers are needed to help at various stations throughout the evening. Funding for this event will be through the PTO and the fundraiser account.
- End of Semester One is coming soon! Report cards will be sent out on January 27th. It's hard to believe we are already at that point in the school year. We have had such an awesome school year! Have a great January.

E. Senior High School

- The semester ends on January 21. The teachers will have an inservice day on January 22. The second semester will begin on, January 25. Report cards should be mailed around January 27. The semester grades are the grades which are recorded on the transcript.
- With the end of the first semester and the beginning of the second semester, some students will be changing schedules. Students have eight days to make schedule changes. The eight days

begin with the first day of the new semester. Some of the schedule changes will pertain to seniors who are taking part in the work experience program. The work experience program allows seniors to earn high school credit through a job, which is completed at the job site. The students receive feedback on employability skills through their employer. One of the strengths of the work experience program is the feedback students received from their employer. This is also a great way for students to build experiences for their resume.

- The parents of seniors will have an opportunity to gain information about financial aid at the Financial Aid Night on January 12. The initial date was cancelled due to bad weather in December.
- The Ski/Snowboard Club has a trip planned for Granite Peak on January 16. The junior high students are invited to go. Their overnight trip to Michigan will be on January 22 through January 24. High school students who participated in the fundraiser are able to go on this trip.
- The FFA speaking contest will be hosted by the Pittsville FFA on February 1 from 2:30 to 7:00. The Forensics Team will host a Forensic Festival on February 15.
- The next math contest will be January 28. The high school play will be performed on Friday afternoon, February 5 for the high school students. The play will also be performed on February 6, at 7:30 PM and February 7, at 1:00 PM. We welcome the community to enjoy the play and see the dramatic talents of our students.
- February marks the beginning of tournament season for winter sports. The first regional is the wrestling regional on February 13. The Marawood Conference Wrestling Tournament will be hosted by Athens on January 30.

IX. District Administrator Report

A. Change Date of April Board Meeting

Motion was made by Jane Wesely, seconded by Connie Potter, to approve changing the date of the April meeting to April 5, 2010. Motion carried.

B. April 6, 2010 Election Information Update

Drawing for Ballot Order was held on January 7. Ballot Order for the election is: 1) Jane M. Wesely, 2) MaryAnn Lippert, 3) Brian J. Kissner.

C. 2010 WASB State Convention Schedule

Discussion and update on the WASB Convention being held in Milwaukee on January 19-22. Connie Potter, MaryAnn Lippert, Jane Wesely, Julie Strenn, and Terry Reynolds will represent the School Board

D. Rise to the Top Funding Update

If Wisconsin is awarded the funding they have requested. Pittsville is scheduled to receive \$94,000 to assist in accomplishing the Rise to the Top initiatives over a four year time span. Phase two of the funding will be on competitive grant structure. The District must return their MOU agreements by January 13 to be eligible for any funding. Once all funding is approved Districts can opt out of the program within 60 days.

E. Strategic Planning Proposal

Motion was made by Julie Strenn, seconded by Connie Potter, to approve moving ahead with the Strategic Planning proposal. Motion carried.

F. Breakfast Program Discussion

The breakfast program will be implemented at the elementary school beginning March 8. The cost for breakfast will be 60¢. Families that qualify for free or reduced lunch will receive breakfast free.

X. The Board will move into Closed Session as per Wisconsin State Statute

Motion was made by Lisa Schulz, seconded by Jane Wesely, to move into Closed Session as per Wisconsin State Statute. President Wesely directed the Clerk to take a roll call vote:

Jane Wesely	Yes	Lisa Schulz	Yes	MaryAnn Lippert	Yes
Connie Potter	Yes	Julie Strenn	Yes		

1) PEA/PESPA Contract Negotiations - 19.85(1)(i). Discussion only. No action taken.

XI. Move out of Closed Session

Motion was made by Julie Strenn, seconded by MaryAnn Lippert, to move out of Closed Session. Motion carried.

XII. Act upon Closed Sessions - no action taken.

XIII. Adjourn

Motion was made by Lisa Schulz, seconded by Connie Potter, to adjourn at 9:45 p.m. Motion carried.

MaryAnn Lippert, Clerk