

SCHOOL BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING
MONDAY, OCTOBER 14, 2019
SCHOOL DISTRICT OF PITTSVILLE

OFFICIAL MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION

REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION

I. Call to Order

A regular monthly meeting of the Pittsville School Board of Education was held on Monday, October 14, 2019 at 7:00 pm in the High School LMC. The meeting was called to order by President Hoogesteger.

II. Pledge of Allegiance

III. Establish Quorum

Members present: Robert Wolff, Mandy Hoogesteger, Connie Potter, Melissa Marti, and Jane Wesely. Administration present: Rodney Figueroa, Superintendent; Dr. Cynthia Porter, High School Principal; Heather Friday, Elementary Principal; Matthew Sherwood, Director of Special Education; Pam Tesch, Business Services; Dan Giles, Director of Buildings and Grounds; Chris Nepper, Computer Technologies; Tabitha Becker, Director of Child Care.

IV. 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 *Pittsville Record*.

V. Approval of Agenda

A. Change of Sequence/Removal of Items

Motion was made by Melissa Marti, seconded by Jane Wesely, to approve the agenda with amendments (move Public Comments - Item X after Approval of Agenda) for the October 14, 2019 meeting of the Pittsville School Board of Education. Motion carried (5-0).

VI. Public Comments

Katie Hardinger: Staff/Administration relations. Kris Huebl: Cell phone policy concerns at the high school. Virginia Federwitz: Allergies and fear of dogs concerns with having a therapy dog in school.

VII. Academic Spotlight – High School

Mr. Jordan Rayburn (Business Education Instructor), Mr. Stephen Hadfield (Technology Education Instructor), and HS student Ruth Durrant discussed how students are involved in the marketing, recordkeeping, and creation of items in their “Panther Creations” entrepreneurship class.

VIII. Consent Agenda Items

- A. Regular Meeting Minutes of September 9, 2019
- B. Closed Session Minutes of September 9, 2019
- C. Financial Status (Monthly Expenses \$379,225.92; Monthly Revenues \$92,371.42)
- D. Early Graduation Request (Dylan Kumm)
- E. Hirings
 - 1) National Honor Society Advisor (Zoe Hale)
 - 2) High School Drama Advisor (Megan Schirger-Coach; Ty Natzke-Assistant Coach)

Motion was made by Melissa Marti, seconded by Connie Potter, to approve the Consent Agenda as presented. Motion carried (5-0).

IX. Discussion/Action

- A. Administrative Reports

- 1) High School - Dr. Porter: 21 out of 45 2019 graduates earned an Industry Recognized Certificate and were applicable towards the 2019 CTE Incentive Grant. CTE team were one of the featured presenting sessions at their national conference.
- 2) Elementary School - Mrs. Friday: School learning objectives for Grades 2-8, Principal Read Alouds, upcoming events.
- 3) Technology - Mr. Nepper: Kajeet Hotspot data usage reports, old server hardware, desktop/laptop upgrades.
- 4) Maintenance Report - Mr. Giles: Confined space trainings, inspections (fire extinguishers, eyewash stations, boiler, cooling tower), and projects in process where shared.
- 5) Director of Special Education - Mr. Sherwood: Transition Improvement Grant, Part C of Transfer of Services.
- 6) Director of Child Care - Full-day child care attended Pittsville Community Library story hour, before-after school program kids are busy using the giant lego blocks that they received from another classroom.

Motion was made by Melissa Marti, seconded by Jane Wesely, to approve the Administrative Reports as presented. Motion carried (5-0).

- B. September 20, 2019 Pupil Count (Third Friday). Information only. The count of students in attendance on September 20 was 581; up from September 2018 count of 573. Open enrolled in students have increased 20% and open enrolled out students have decreased by 10%. The actual resident count is 567.
 - C. Start College Now-2020 Spring Semester. 18 students have applied for MSTC/Pittsville dual credits. Students who earn industry recognized certification will count toward our district's CTE Incentive Grant funding after they graduate.
 - D. Fall AGR Data. Mrs. Friday presented data results. The goal of this grant is to lower class size in the primary grades to an 18-1 ratio, 30-2 ratio, and provide 1-1 tutoring and opportunities for small group instruction. The district should receive \$131,352 for this school year.
 - E. 2018-2019 Ski Club review. Mrs. Tesch presented the review of the total financial activity and the fundraising events held in 2018-2019.
 - F. Sparsity Aid. Pittsville School District has a sparsity ratio of 1.58 students per square mile (PSD is 367 square miles). With our student count at 581 and the reimbursement at \$400 per student, our payment will be \$232,400 for this school year.
 - G. Annual WASB Board Survey. Board members were handed the survey to complete.
 - H. First Reading of new Policy: Therapy Dog – No first reading available. More information will be gathered for the November meeting.
 - I. First Reading of Updates to Policy 443.5 Use or Possession of Electronic Communication Devices
 - J. First Reading of Updates to Fiscal Management Policy 662.1 Student Activity Funds Management
 - K. First Reading of Updates to School-Community Policy 881.1 Special Activity Fund Management
Items I, J, K will be moved forward to November for second reading and possible approval.
 - L. Second Reading/Approval of Updates to Staff Policy 522.1 Tobacco and Related Products by Staff on School Premises
Item L tabled until November for changes and additional sub policy on alcohol use by staff attending conferences/conventions/etc. where they are not responsible for students.
 - M. CTE Facility Update – Mr. Figueroa shared a summary of the data that was shared by School Perceptions at the School Board Workshop.
- X. Legislative Report** – Mr. Wolff and Mr. Figueroa updated the Board on various items before the legislature including provision to allow 3 year olds into 4K, increased emphasis on suicide prevention, Seclusion and Restraint reporting, teachers with out of state teaching licenses.
- XI. Convene into Closed Session** – Motion was made by Robert Wolff, seconded by Jane Wesely, to move into Closed Session as per Wisconsin State Statute 19.85(1)(e) for the purpose of: A) Property Acquisition. B)

Personnel Discussion. President Hoogesteger directed the Clerk to take a Roll Call Vote: Jane Wesely-Yes, Mandy Hoogesteger-Yes, Bob Wolff-Yes, Connie Potter-Yes, Melissa Marti-Yes. Motion carried (5-0).

XII. Reconvene into Open Session

Motion was made by Robert Wolff, seconded by Jane Wesely, to reconvene into Open Session. Motion carried (5-0).

XIII. Take any Action from Closed Session - No action taken.

XIV. Adjourn

Motion was made Connie Potter, seconded by Robert Wolff, to adjourn at 10:01 p.m. Motion carried (5-0).

Connie Potter, Board Clerk

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