

Eau Claire School Board Minutes

Monday, July 6, 2020

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Members present

Lori Bica, Joshua Clements, Aaron Harder, Phil Lyons, Tim Nordin, Marquell Johnson, Erica Zerr

OPEN SESSION

President Tim Nordin called the virtual meeting to order at 7:15pm. Board Secretary Meta Miske confirmed the meeting had been properly noticed and was in compliance with the Open Meeting Law. A roll call was conducted to verify quorum and the Pledge of Allegiance was led by President Nordin.

PUBLIC FORUM

No members of the public signed up to address the Board.

BOARD/ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS

Superintendent's Report

Mr. Johnson recapped his first day on the job and gave updates on the Reopening of Schools Task Force and administrative vacancies.

Board President's Report

President Nordin thanked Board members who've helped with student meal distribution and spoke about professional development several Board members were involved in related to equity and Coherent Governance.

OTHER REPORTS

School Board Committee Reports

Budget Development Committee worked on the 1:1 device proposal.

LEAP is developing communication to staff on opportunities for innovation.

Demographic Trends and Facilities Planning will report later in the meeting.

Policy & Governance is working on equity and anti-racist policies as well as evaluating current policies through the lens of equity and anti-racism.

Legislative Update

Commissioner Johnson gave an update on several DPI items, federal items, and WIAA guidelines all related to COVID-19 and reopening of schools.

CONSENT RESOLUTION AGENDA

Motion by Marquell Johnson, second by Lori Bica to approve the following Consent Resolution Agenda items:

- Minutes of June 1, 2020
- Minutes of Closed Session - June 11, 2020
- Financial Report - May 2020
- Gifts in the amount of \$42,651.44 for the period of May 1, 2020 through May 31, 2020
- Payment of all bills in the amount of \$8,472,144.29 and net payroll in the amount of \$5,491,152.37 for the period of May 1, 2020 through May 31, 2020.
- Human Resources - Employment Report

Mr. Johnson welcomed Trevor Kohlhepp as Principal of South Middle School and Becky Graf as Director of Academic Services.

INDIVIDUALLY CONSIDERED RESOLUTION(S)

Request - 1:1 Devices

Ms. Abby Johnson and Mr. Jim Schmitt gave a report which included information related to the 19-20 budget, 20-21 budget, and needs for 1:1 devices for students in PK-12 in preparation for reopening of schools.

Board members asked questions. Discussion ensued.

Motion by Aaron Harder, second by Phil Lyons, to approve the recommendation to lease devices for the 20-21 school year.

Motion carried

Yes: Lori Bica, Joshua Clements, Aaron Harder, Phil Lyons, Tim Nordin, Marquell Johnson, Erica Zerr

ADJOURN TO COMMITTEE

COMMITTEE REPORTS/ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION

Demographic Trends and Facility Planning Committee Report

Ms. Kim Koller and Ms. Margot Dahling reviewed the work of the committee over the last four years and shared a recommendation regarding elementary expansion to address southside capacity issues.

Board members asked questions. Discussion ensued. The recommendation may be considered as part of a possible referendum question.

REQUEST FOR FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

Commissioner Harder requested the Board discuss middle school capacity as part of a future charge for Demographic Trends and Facilities Planning Committee.

ADJOURN

Motion by Marquell Johnson, second by Erica Zerr to adjourn the meeting.

Motion carried

Yes: Lori Bica, Joshua Clements, Aaron Harder, Phil Lyons, Tim Nordin, Marquell Johnson, Erica Zerr

Meeting adjourned at 9:01pm.