

# **Prairie du Chien Area School District**

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### REGULAR MEETING OF THE PRAIRIE DU CHIEN BOARD OF EDUCATION

Public notice is hereby given as required by law that a Meeting of the Prairie du Chien Board of Education will convene on **February 13, 2023** in the Prairie du Chien High School, Room 103, 800 E. Crawford St., Prairie du Chien, Wisconsin, 5:30 p.m. Matters to be taken up, discussed and acted upon at this meeting are as follows:

#### **I. CALL TO ORDER**

Meeting was called to order by Lonnie Achenbach at 5:29 p.m.

##### Present BOE Members:

Lonnie Achenbach

Tom Peterson

Dustin Brewer

Lacie Anthony

Jim Hackett-Attended virtually, left at 7:06 p.m.

Michael Higgins, Jr.

##### Absent BOE Member

Nick Gilberts

#### **II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

#### **III. ADOPTION OF AGENDA**

Motion by Higgins, Jr. and seconded by Anthony to accept the Agenda. Passed unanimously with all in favor.

#### **IV. SPECIAL GUEST SPEAKERS**

A. Troy Gunderson-Board Development, Future Financing

B. Baird- Defeasance-Michel Clark (Zoom)

#### **V. CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS**

(The School Board may approve all items with one motion or any Board Member can simply request to remove certain items for later discussion)

- A. Approval of Payment  
(The Prairie du Chien Board of Education does hereby accept and agree to pay invoices for the last month as presented, included are dated bills to avoid late charges.)
- B. Approval of Minutes
  - 1. 01.09.2023 Regular Board Meeting
- C. Personnel
  - 1. Resignation
    - a) Mike Liddell-HS Head Cross Country Coach
    - b) Zahra Ardestani -B.A. Kennedy Teacher's Assistant
  - 2. Approval
    - a) Abby White-MS Head Track Coach
    - b) Jacqueline Wright-MS Assistant Track Coach
    - c) Joel Martin-Substitute Teacher
    - d) Bailey Sternitske-MS Assistant Track Coach
    - e) Rob Ahrens-MS Play Advisor
    - f) Dalton Kansier-Substitute Teacher
    - g) Haylee Sheckler- Bluff View Teacher's Assistant
    - h) Adrian Cuff-Substitute Teacher
    - i) Connor Olson-Part-time Custodian (Work Study)
- D. ECCP/Start College Now (if any)-1
- E. Alternative Open Enrollment Applications-1

Motion by Peterson and seconded by Brewer to approve Consent Agenda Items.  
Passed unanimously with all in favor.

- VI. CITIZEN PARTICIPATION
- VII. CORRESPONDENCE/INFORMATION ITEMS

(These are listed for reference, but will not be read off at meeting to expedite the agenda)

- A. Upcoming Meetings and Board Items
  - 1. 03.13.2023 Regular Board Meeting 5:30 p.m. Prairie du Chien High School
- B. Information Items
  - 1. 02/5-11/2023 Future Business Leaders of America Week
  - 2. 02/6-10/2023 SkillsUSA Week
  - 3. 02/18-25/2023 FFA Week
- C. Future PAAC Events
  - 1. 03.2.2023 - Bluff View Play

2. 03.14.2023 - DCHS Band & Choir Concert
3. 03.31.2023 - Red Cross Blood Drive
4. 04.13-15.2023 - PDCHS Spring Play
5. 04.20-23.2023 - Shine Power Studio Dance Recital
6. 04.25.2023 - Bluff View Band Concert
7. 04.27.2023 - Bluff View Choir Concert
8. 04.30.2023 - Crawford County 4-H Play
9. 05.6-13.2023 - Dance Elite Dance Recital
10. 05.15 & 17.2023 - Brenda's School of Dance Recital
11. 05.18.2023 - PDCHS Band & Choir Concert
12. 05.25.2023 - PDC String Ensemble Concert

**VIII. REPORTS AND DISCUSSION (action if appropriate)**

**A. Superintendent/Building Administrator's Report/Presentation**

1. B.A. Kennedy
  - a) Mrs. Stuckey is meeting with families regarding Truancy. There are more cases this year than any other year.
  - b) Mid-year assessments have taken place.
  - c) Valentines Day dance and cookie decorating was a success.
2. Bluff View Elementary
  - a) High school students are reading to the elementary students. They are also tutoring the middle school students.
  - b) Maps testing is happening. Students are setting goals and are being recognized for strengths of action. They are announced daily and receive certificates.
  - c) Staff professional development was conducted by CESA.
3. Bluff View Middle School
  - a) Special Education speech students are getting serviced through MG Care.
  - b) Term 2 finished and GPA goals were made.
  - c) Qualifying students went to Spelling Bee and Math Counts regionals.
  - d) WIN time is 3:00 p.m.-3:40 p.m. where students get extra help on homework or areas they need it. This replaces After hours.
4. Mighty River
  - a) First time for a Mighty River student to be interning for youth apprentice. Three students will be also in the youth apprentice program.
5. High School

- a) A Lot of truancy meetings are happening. Freshmen are leading the school with the best attendance.
- b) One day a week during ESR is set for character education of students. It has had great feedback from the public.
- c) Student soft skills are being focussed on. This will help them in the workforce.

6. District

- a) Handicap doors will be finished at the end of the week.
- b) Mr. Banasik and Mrs. Rodenberg have been working with Neola Policy Company to update our policies. They will be brought to the Board for approval early summer.

**B. Community Connections and Celebrations**

**IX. OLD BUSINESS (action if appropriate)**

- A. Monthly Finance Update
- B. District Camera Proposal
- C. High School Schedule

Motion by Peterson and seconded by Anthony to approve the new High School schedule. Passed unanimously with all in favor.

**D. Baird-Defeasance**

Motion by Higgins, Jr. and seconded by Brewer to continue exploring the options with Baird regarding Defeasance. Passed unanimously with all in favor.

**E. Neola Update**

**X. NEW BUSINESS (action if appropriate)**

- A. Any items removed from Consent Agenda for further discussion
- B. Grants & Donations read into record and approved (if any)
  - 1. Karyl Fritsche and the Joe 2 Go Staff donated hot chocolate to B.A. Kennedy's Winter Wonderland Ball.
  - 2. Mary Sheckler and the Subway Staff donated cookies to B.A. Kennedy's Winter Wonderland Ball.
  - 3. Krystal Forde, BK Photo Booth, donated pictures to capture the students memories at B.A. Kennedy's Winter Wonderland Ball.
  - 4. Jim Larsh donated his time and talent of bringing the spirit of Christmas in a red suit to B.A. Kennedy's Winter Wonderland Ball.

5. Ed Meggers donated money to B.A. Kennedy towards coloring contest prizes and bringing Christmas to a local family in need.
6. Rockweiler Appliance & TV donated to the Pick-a-Pack program.
7. PTO sponsored cookie decorating at B.A. Kennedy. They provided the cookies and supplies.
8. Thank you to Linda Hanson for making all the cookies and donating the remainder of the cost for the cookie decorating at B.A. Kennedy.

**C. Long-Term Capital Improvement Trust Fund (Fund 46)**

Motion by Higgins, Jr. and seconded by Peterson to approve the Long-Term Capital Improvement Plan, the establishment of Fund 46, and the initial funding of \$500,000 as presented. Passed unanimously with all in favor.

**D. District Administrator Andy Banasik's Contract Approval**

Moved to Closed Session.

**E. Administrative Contract Approvals**

1. Laura Stuckey
2. Tomi Nice-Gebhard
3. Marcy Kraus
4. Doug Morris
5. Mike Liddell
6. Zack Nelson

Moved to Closed Session.

**F. Student Travel (if any)**

1. Softball Trip-Florida 3/23-3/26/23, approved at 2/14/22 board meeting
2. FFA Connect Leadership Conference, 3/23-24/2023, Stevens Point, WI

**G. Parking Lot (Items for future agenda)**

**XI. CLOSED SESSION**

Be it resolved that the Prairie du Chien Board of Education moves to go into Closed Session in which may be convened pursuant to Statute 19.85 of Sub-Chapter of the Open Meetings Law exemptions: sub (1)(c) Considering employment, promotion, compensation or performance evaluation data of any public employee over which the governmental body

has jurisdiction or exercises responsibility; (e) Deliberating or conducting other specific public business whenever competitive or bargaining reasons require a closed session. Closed Session in which may be convened pursuant to Statute 19.85 of Sub-Chapter of the Open Meetings Law exemptions: sub (1) (a) and (1) (f) which allow a meeting to be closed to the public when a government body is going to deliberate concerning a case which was the subject of any judicial or quasi –judicial trial or hearing before that governmental body, or where the governmental body considers financial, medical, social, or personal histories or disciplinary data of specific persons, preliminary consideration or specific personnel problems or the investigation of charges against specific persons except where Section 19.85 (b) applies, which, if discussed in public would be likely to have a substantial adverse effect upon the reputation of any person referred to in such histories or data or involved in such problems or investigations.

**A. Personnel**

Motion by Higgins, Jr. and seconded by Anthony to go into Closed Session at 7:06 p.m. to discuss Personnel. Passed unanimously with all in favor.

**XII. RETURN TO OPEN SESSION**

Motion by Higgins, Jr. and seconded by Anthony to return to Open Session at 7:25 p.m. Passed unanimously with all in favor.

**XIII. ACTION TAKEN, IF APPROPRIATE, AS A RESULT OF CLOSED SESSION (if any).**

A. Motion by Higgins, Jr. and seconded by Anthony to approve Andy Banasik, Laura Stuckey, Tomi Nice-Gebhard, Marcy Kraus, Doug Morris, Mike Liddell and Zachary Nelson's 2023-2025 contracts with automatic extensions. Passed unanimously with all in favor.

**XIV. ADJOURNMENT**

Motion by Brewer and seconded by Peterson to adjourn meeting at 7:26 p.m. Passed unanimously with all in favor. Meeting Adjourned.

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James Akmal  
President

Notes taken by Jackie Rodenberg

