

# **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 **March 11, 2024** 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 Nick Gilberts at 5:30 p.m.

#### Present BOE Members:

Nick Gilberts  
Tom Peterson  
Dustin Brewer  
Michael Higgins, Jr.  
Lacie Anthony  
Jim Hackett

#### Absent BOE Member:

Lonnie Achenbach

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

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

Motion by Hackett and seconded by Brewer to accept the Agenda.  
Passed unanimously with all in favor.

#### IV. SPECIAL GUEST SPEAKERS

#### 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. 02.12.2024 Regular Board Meeting

##### C. Personnel

###### 1. Resignation

a) Nicholas Rehmus-Bluff View Food Service

b) Claire Morris-DAEP Program

###### 2. Approval

a) Leslie Yager-Middle School Track Coach

b) Katie Tonne-Full-time Bluff View Teacher's Aide  
(previously part-time)

c) Jordan Reuter-Varsity Head Boys Basketball Coach

##### D. ECCP/Start College Now (if any)-2

Motion by Higgins, Jr. and seconded by Hackett to approve Consent Agenda Items. Passed unanimously with all in favor.

#### VI. CITIZEN PARTICIPATION

Consistent with School Board Policy 1130 on Citizen Participation, comments will be limited to 5 minutes, and no action can be taken on non-agenda items. All individuals who comment during the public comment period are reminded that the information provided this evening is intended to provide information to the Board so that it can fulfill its role. In that vein, all parties are reminded that all information offered is truthful and honest. False statements or stigmatizing charges may subject the individual making such statements to legal repercussions, including, but not limited

to, defamation claims. Comments identifying students shall be subject to the Wisconsin pupil records law and FERPA. As such, student information that is not directory data as designated by the board, for example, individual student behavioral or progress records, shall not be discussed in this forum. Comments identifying personnel are subject to the applicable personnel records statutes in section 19.36(10), Wis. Stats. The Board may inform the speaker that his/her comments are not permitted if, in the opinion of the Board, they are not subject to release under the above applicable standards. (Board Policy 1155 on Public Complaint)

## 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. 04.08.2024 Regular Board Meeting, 5:30 p.m., Prairie du Chien High School

### B. Information Items

### C. Future PAAC Events

1. Wingra Wind Quintet - Friday, March 22, 2024 - 7:30 p.m.
2. PDCHS Spring Play: "The Hobbit" - April 11, 12, & 13, 2024
3. Elvis: Rock N' Remember - Friday, May 3, 2024 - 7:00 p.m.
4. Pontiac Alley - Saturday, May 18, 2024 - 7:00 p.m.

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

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

#### 1. High School

- a) Valedictorian and Salutatorian was announced.
- b) Mental Health Day had a lot of fun activities for the students. Thank you to all the donors.
- c) FFA Week was a huge success. Cole Chapman did an outstanding job with activities and the pep rally.
- d) Grief support is available for staff and students.

2. Bluff View Middle School
  - a) Congratulations to Band and Choir Solo and Ensembles students.
  - b) String Orchestra students went to Madison to attend a performance by the Madison Symphony.
  - c) Bluff View Rod Builders have built 82 fishing rods since February 2023.
  - d) 100 Valentines were made in Art for Prairie Maison Nursing Home.
3. Bluff View Elementary
  - a) Food and Fun afterschool program has 23 students participating.
  - b) Robotics has ended and will have a presentation on Tuesday.
  - c) Dr. Seuss Week was celebrated with dress up days and activities.
  - d) Band instruments are being introduced to the 5th grade students.
4. B.A. Kennedy
  - a) Jenny Olson, author of a children's book, visited the students.
  - b) Read Across America was celebrated.
  - c) Staff have been meeting with Laura Stuckey to go over strengths, weaknesses, improvements, and future ideas.
  - d) 6 birth to 3 transition families have finished the process.
5. District
  - a) District is meeting to discuss insurance, bussing increase, CPI increase, and having a meeting on 3/19 over the budget.
  - b) PAAC meetings are being held discussing improvement.

c) DAEP program is closing Monday, 3/18/24.

- B. Community Connections and Celebrations
- IX. OLD BUSINESS (action if appropriate)
  - A. Monthly Finance Update
  - B. Approval of Retirement Agreement and Waiver-Due Feb.19
    - 1. Brenda Moses
    - 2. Jim Schilling
    - 3. LeAnn Bollum
    - 4. Luke Lucas

Motion by Higgins, Jr. and seconded by Brewer to approve Retirement Agreement and Waiver Papers. Passed unanimously with all in favor.

C. Neola Policies 3000/4000 Second Reading

Motion by Anthony and seconded by Higgins, Jr. to approve second reading of Neola Policies 3000/4000. Passed unanimously with all in favor.

- 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. Lara Czajkowski Higgins donated money to the Girls Soccer program towards new uniforms.
  - C. Brent Seamans
    - 1. Bluff View Cell Phone Policy
    - 2. Bluff View Middle School Historical School Report Card Score
    - 3. Counselor (One) for District
  - D. Dependable Solution Review of Future Technology Budget (24-25 School Year)

Tabled to April

E. Mid-Year AGR Report Presented by Laura Stuckey

F. Job Description

1. Building Maintenance/Custodian

Motion by Hackett and seconded by Brewer to approve Building Maintenance/Custodian Job Description. Passed unanimously with all in favor.

G. Neola Policies 5000/6000 First Reading

Motion by Hackett and seconded by Anthony to approve first reading of Neola Policies 5000/6000 but policies 5136, 5410, and 5460. Passed unanimously with all in favor.

H. Girls Wrestling (Adding the sport for 24-25 Season)

Tabled to April

I. Student Travel (if any)

J. 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. Budget Review on Future Health Insurance
- B. Student Pre-Expulsion Review
- C. Parent Request on Current School Policies and Food Allergy Policy

Motion by Higgins, Jr. and seconded by Anthony to go into Closed Session at 6:19 p.m. to discuss Budget Review of Future Employee Health Insurance and Student Pre-Expulsion Review. Parent Request was canceled by parent. Passed unanimously with all in favor.

## **XII. RETURN TO OPEN SESSION**

Motion by Brewer and seconded by Anthony to return to Open Session at 8:21 p.m. Passed unanimously with all in favor.

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

## **XIV. ADJOURNMENT**

Motion by Brewer and seconded by Anthony to adjourn meeting at 8:22 p.m. Passed unanimously with all in favor. Meeting Adjourned.

James A. Schuler

President

Notes taken by Jackie Rodenberg