

# **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 August 16, 2021 in the Prairie du Chien High School PAAC, 800 E. Crawford St. Prairie du Chien, Wisconsin, 6:30 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 6:30 p.m.

##### Present BOE Members:

Lonnie Achenbach

Nick Gilberts

Cassie Hubanks-attending virtually till 7:12 p.m., then in person

Lynn O'Kane

Tom Peterson

Michael Higgins, Jr.

Dustin Brewer

##### Absent BOE Members:

None

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

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

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

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

- A. Girl Scout Troop 4338 did a presentation on Gaga Ball Pit for Bluff View School.**

Motion by Higgins, Jr and seconded by Brewer to approve the Gaga Ball Pit at Bluff View and the funding of it by the Girl Scout Troop 4338. Passed unanimously with all in favor.

#### **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. 07.12.2021 Regular Board Meeting
2. 07.26.2021 Committee of the Whole Meeting

C. Personnel

1. Resignation

- a) Layne David-High School Teacher's Aide
- b) Heather DeBruin-High School Student Council Co-Advisor

2. Approval

- a) Katelyn Paulos -High School Dance Coach
- b) Marcy Kraus-Bluff View Middle School Principal
- c) Lindsey Ariss-High School Student Council Co-Advisor
- d) Stacy Dettmann-Bluff View Teacher's Aide
- e) Emily Reinicke-8th Grade Volleyball Coach
- f) Derek Chesebro-5th/6th Flag Football Coach
- g) Matt Fernette-5th/6th Flag Football Coach
- h) Tammy Clauer-Life Skills House One-to-One Teacher's Aide
- i) Bluff View Special Education Teacher
- j) Avery Fuller-Fr/So Volleyball Coach
- k) Andy Banasik-Head Varsity Boys Basketball Coach

D. Alternative Open Enrollment Applications (7)

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

Motion by Higgins, Jr. and seconded by O'Kane to approve the eight Alternative Open Enrollment Applications. 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. 08.18.2021 School Board Working Session 6:30- Bob Butler
2. 08.23.2021 Committee of the Whole Meeting 6:30 p.m. Prairie du Chien High School
3. 09.13.2021 Regular Board Meeting 6:30 p.m. Prairie du Chien High School

4. 09.27.2021 Committee of the Whole Meeting 6:30 p.m. Prairie du Chien High School

B. Future PAAC Events

1. 09.18.2021 Red Skelton Tribute, 7:30 p.m.
2. 12.04.2021 The WhiskeyBelles with special guest Jay Matthes, 7:30 p.m.
3. 12.10.2021 Christmas in Killarney, 7:00 p.m.
4. 02.18.2022 Wisconsin Brass Quintet, 7:30 p.m.

C. Information Items

1. 01.19-21.2022 State Education Convention

VIII. REPORTS AND DISCUSSION (action if appropriate)

A. Superintendent/Building Administrator's Report/Presentation

1. B.A. Kennedy

- a) With increase in Kindergarten numbers, an additional teacher is needed.
- b) A different tool for bussing is used this year and working well.
- c) Leadership team, consisting of B.A. Kennedy and Bluff View Elementary, has increased communication between the two buildings. They have had two meetings so far.
- d) Future training, for some elementary and middle school teachers in reading and writing from a New York company, is being set.

2. Bluff View Elementary

- a) Enrollment is up everyday.
- b) Custodians and Support Staff are working hard to get ready for the start of school and are doing a great job.
- c) Teachers are preparing their rooms and collaborating with B.A. Kennedy Teachers.
- d) Bluff View administration is working with Derrick Boxrucker to make bussing safer and more efficient.
- e) CPI and AWSA training programs were attended by the new administration.

3. High School

- a) Scheduling is getting done for new students, and high school is fully staffed.
- b) Fall sports are starting.

4. Special Education

- a) Still in the process of filling open positions.
- b) Working on parents requests for student evaluations.
- c) Harnessing 'Abilities' Transition Summit was held at the Prairie du Chien Area Arts Center.

5. District

- a) Teacher compensation meeting is 8/18/21 at 5:00 p.m. and School board working session is at 6:30 p.m.
- b) New staff start 8/18 and returning teaching staff start 8/24.

- c) Fall sports practices started and still in need of some coaching staff.

B. Community Connections and Celebrations

IX. OLD BUSINESS (action if appropriate)

A. Covid-19 Update

- 1. Mask Decision
- 2. 14 Day Quarantine or 10 Day?
- 3. Visitor's Update (Covid)

B. Board and Teaching Staff Meeting

- 1. Date Determined

C. Future Southwest Bussing Contract

Moved to Closed Session

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. Tracy Fernette donated backpacks to B.A. Kennedy for students needing a backpack to start the school year.

C. Student Travel (if any)

D. WASB Board of Directors Nomination(Optional)

E. Beginning of the Year Board Activities

- 1. New Staff Orientation Lunch, August 18, 12:00 p.m.
- 2. District Preservice, August 31, 1:00 p.m.

F. Parking Lot (Items for future agenda)

- 1. 8th Grade Promotion (BV handbook)

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. Southwest Bus
- B. Personnel

Motion by Gilberts and seconded by Higgins, Jr. to go into Closed Session at 7:02 p.m. to discuss Southwest Bus and Personnel. Passed unanimously with all in favor.

**XII. RETURN TO OPEN SESSION**

Motion by Higgins, Jr. and seconded by Gilberts to return to Open Session at 7:47 p.m. Passed unanimously with all in favor.

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

- A. No Action
- B. Motion by Higgins, Jr. and seconded by Peterson to pay Tammy Clauer \$15.00 an hour for the Life Skills House One-to-One Teacher's Aide position.

**XIV. ADJOURNMENT**

Motion by Peterson and seconded by Gilberts to adjourn meeting at 7:48 p.m. Passed unanimously with all in favor. Meeting Adjourned.

  
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President

Notes taken by Jackie Rodenberg

