

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 **November 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 5:30 p.m.

Present BOE Members:

Lonnie Achenbach

Nick Gilberts

Tom Peterson

Dustin Brewer

Michael Higgins, Jr.

Lacie Anthony

Absent BOE Member:

Jim Hackett

II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

III. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Motion by Higgins, Jr. and seconded by Gilberts 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. 10.9.2023 Regular Board Meeting
2. 10.23.2023 Annual Budget Meeting

C. Personnel

1. Resignation
 - a) Madeline Wessels-Middle School Assistant Track Coach
 - b) Maria Baker-B.A. Kennedy Teacher's Aide
2. Approval
 - a) Ryan Fradette-6th Grade Boys Basketball Coach
 - b) Rosa Dolven-High School Forensics Advisor
 - c) Mark Bowar-5th Grade Girls Basketball Coach
 - d) Dustin Johnson-Long-Term Substitute Math Teacher

D. Alternative Open Enrollment Applications-2

Motion by Gilberts and seconded by Higgins, Jr. 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. 12.11.2023 Regular Board Meeting 5:30 p.m. Prairie du Chien High School
2. 01.08.2024 Regular Board Meeting 5:30 p.m. Prairie du Chien High School

B. Information Items

1. 12.22.2023 Deadline for Incumbents to File Notice of Non Candidacy (5:00 p.m.)
2. 01.02.2024 Candidate Deadline for Filing All Documents Needed to Establish Eligibility to Appear on the Ballot (5:00 p.m.)
3. Candidates up for Re-Election:
 - a) Dustin Brewer
 - b) Michael Higgins, Jr.
 - c) Thomas Peterson
4. 01.08.2024 Drawing of Lots for Ballot Order: Certify Ballot Eligibility to County Clerk(s)
5. 01.17-19.2024 State Education Convention

C. Future PAAC Events

1. Christmas In Killarney - December 9, 2023
2. Eagle's Heart & Cancer Telethon - January 27, 2024
3. Wisconsin Singers - February 10, 2024
4. Wingra Woodwind Quintet - March 22, 2024

VIII. REPORTS AND DISCUSSION (action if appropriate)

A. Superintendent/Building Administrator's Report/Presentation

1. High School
 - a) Musical performance by the students was wonderful.
 - b) Veterans Program was great and a special thank you to the National Honor Society for organizing it.
 - c) AP College Board awarded the high school as a Silver Scholar Campus.
2. Bluff View Middle School
 - a) Clubs Choice fundraiser raised \$3,000 profit.
 - b) Middle School Veterans Day program had 700 in attendance.
 - c) Students came to the high school to watch the musical.
3. Bluff View Elementary
 - a) Parent -Teacher conferences went well.

- b) Book Fair was successful.
 - c) Veterans Day program was very impressive.
 - 4. B.A. Kennedy
 - a) Students were able to attend Veterans Day program at Bluff View.
 - b) Students participated in Trick or Treat for the Needy. 809 pounds of food went to the CAP Office.
 - c) Reading unit 2 curriculum reward was breakfast with someone special.
 - 5. District
 - a) School employee health insurance discussions are starting.
 - b) Roofing project bids due December 11th.
 - c) Donor wall in PAAC Center is in the planning.
 - B. Community Connections and Celebrations
- IX. OLD BUSINESS (action if appropriate)
- A. Monthly Finance Update
 - B. Sick Bank Leave-Employees
- 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. Patricia (Check) Walz donated Prairie Dog/The Blackhawk yearbooks from 1957 - 1960 to the high school library.
 - 2. Thank you to Gilly's Corn Maze and Pumpkin Patch for donating pumpkins for all students to paint at B.A. Kennedy.
 - 3. Thank you to Community First Bank for sponsoring a day of bussing and half of our entrance fee to the corn maze for B.A. Kennedy students.
 - 4. Thank you to Southwest Bus for sponsoring a morning of bussing to the corn maze for B.A. Kennedy students.
 - 5. Womens Civic Club donated money to the Pick-a-Pack program.
 - 6. United Methodist Church gave Bluff View a donation of school supplies & money that was collected.
 - 7. Womens Civic Club donated money to the High School Music Department.
 - 8. This year, the Prairie du Chien High School submitted an application requesting a 3M - Naeir supply donation for our high school staff through their 3M Site Hometown Donations Program. This application granted the high school \$24,947.00 worth of supplies courtesy of the 3M and Naeir Companies. The Prairie du

Chien High School would like to thank those companies for their generosity once again this year.

9. Thank you to the family of Roger & Mattie Rademacher for their donation of a clothing steamer to our theater department.
10. Deb Rider of Eastman was one of the 2 lucky winners of our Ducks Unlimited FFA Fundraiser. She donated back her prize of a flat top grill back to the PDC FFA chapter.

C. FFA National Convention Presentation

D. Mike Liddell Presentation of Alternative Education

E. Early Graduates

F. Board Resolution on 2023-2024 Retirement Compensation

1. Open retirement for Teachers is \$150 per day for unused sick days, (a day equals 8 clock hours) up to a maximum of 120 days but will not exceed \$18,000. Support Staff is \$90 a day for unused sick days, (a day equals 8 clock hours) up to a maximum of 120 days but will not exceed \$10,800.

Motion by Higgins, Jr. and seconded by Anthony to approve 2023-2024 Retirement Compensation. Passed unanimously with all in favor.

G. Student Travel (if any)

1. Spain Trip for Spanish Club, June 2025

Motion by Higgins, Jr. and seconded by Anthony to approve Spain Trip for the Spanish Club, June 2025. Passed unanimously with all in favor.

H. 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. Parent Concern
- B. Staffing
- C. Personnel

Motion by Higgins, Jr. and seconded by Gilberts to go into Closed Session at 6:05 p.m. to discuss Parent Concern, Staffing and Personnel. Passed unanimously with all in favor.

XII. RETURN TO OPEN SESSION

Motion by Peterson and seconded by Higgins, Jr. to return to Open Session at 6:48 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 Gilberts and seconded by Higgins, Jr. to adjourn meeting at 6:49 p.m. Passed unanimously with all in favor. Meeting Adjourned.



President

Notes taken by Jackie Rodenberg