

# 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 **December 8, 2014** in the City Hall Council Chambers, 214 West Blackhawk Avenue, Prairie du Chien, Wisconsin, 6:30 p.m. This meeting will follow the Finance Committee Meeting at 6:00 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 Christine Panka at 6:30 p.m.*

#### Present BOE Members:

*Lonnie Achenbach*

*Mark Forsythe*

*Kyle Kozelka*

*Lynn O'Kane*

*Christine Panka*

*Ron Quamme*

### II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

### III. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

*Motion by Mark and seconded by Kyle to accept agenda; passed unanimous with all in favor.*

### IV. SPECIAL GUEST SPEAKERS: Outdoor Club update on new activities; High School Clay Target Shooting League programming, rules, and practices

### 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 Minutes

1. 11.10.2014 Finance Committee Meeting
2. 11.10.2014 Regular Board Meeting
3. 11.24.2014 Building and Grounds
4. 11.24.2014 Policy Committee Meeting

#### B. Personnel

1. Approval Nate Gevelinger Boys' Basketball Volunteer

2. Approval Kerri Weber Co Skills USA Advisor
  3. Approval Krista Strachan Co Skills USA Advisor
  4. Approval Rebecca J Bjurquist Sub Teacher
  5. Approval Kelly Gallagher Long Term SpEd Sub Teacher
  6. Resignation Kelly Gallagher SpEd Teacher
  7. Approval Rose Achenbach Teacher Aide
  8. Resignation Marci Atkinson Varsity Reserve Volleyball
  9. Resignation Renee Storkson Aide
  10. Resignation Patrick Klein Track Coach
- C. Youth Options (if any)

*Motion by Mark and second by Kyle to accept consent agenda items; passed unanimous (except Lonnie abstained) with all in favor.*

VI. CITIZEN PARTICIPATION

VII. CORRESPONDENCE/INFORMATION ITEMS (action if appropriate)

A. Upcoming Meetings and Board Items

1. Dec. 22, 2014 Building and Grounds Committee Meeting 5:00 p.m. High School Library Conference Room
2. Dec. 22, 2014 Policy Committee Meeting 6:00 p.m. High School Library Conference Room
3. Jan. 12, 2015 Finance Committee Meeting 6:00 p.m. City Hall Council Chambers
4. Jan. 12, 2015 Regular Board Meeting 6:30 p.m. City Hall Council Chambers
5. Jan. 26, 2015 Building and Grounds Committee Meeting 5:00 p.m. High School Library Conference Room
6. Jan. 26, 2015 Policy Committee Meeting 6:00 p.m. High School Library Conference Room
7. Feb. 09, 2015 Finance Committee Meeting 6:00 p.m. City Hall Council Chambers
8. Feb. 09, 2015 Regular Board Meeting 6:30 p.m. City Hall Council Chambers
9. Feb. 23, 2015 Building and Grounds Committee Meeting 5:00 p.m. High School Library Conference Room
10. Feb. 23 2015 Policy Committee Meeting 6:00 p.m. High School Library Conference Room

B. Information Items (these are listed for reference, but will not be read off at meeting to expedite the agenda)

1. January 6, 2015 Elections: Deadline for Candidates to File
2. January 21-23, 2015 94th State Education Convention at the Wisconsin Center Milwaukee-Drew, Christine

3. January 23, 2015 Out to Lunch Perform at the State Education Convention at closing General Session at 10:30 am at the Wisconsin Center Milwaukee-Drew, Christine
4. February 17, 2015 Elections: Primary
5. April 7, 2015 Elections: Spring Election
6. April 27, 2015 Elections: New Members Take Office

VIII. REPORTS AND DISCUSSION (action if appropriate)

A. Superintendent/Building Administrator's Report/Presentation

1. Community Connections and Celebrations

- a) Bedtime stories (title I event) went well and we had a fair turnout and was a great time for all who came.
- b) PTO took students who sold a certain number of fundraiser items on a limo ride and for lunch at Culvers. This was a very exciting event for our students!

2. Community Development

- a) Everyone is happy that Marquette Street has re-opened; bus routes back to normal, all reports are positive
- b) Mr. Johnson was asked to be a representative on a First Impressions Committee for the City which is partnering with an equivalent group from Lake Mills, WI. This is an economic development initiative to get feedback on ways for the City to improve it's impression as a great place to live, visit, or locate a business. Excellent schools are an important part of that positive impression. One item already discussed is a lack of signage on our major roads that point to our schools.

3. Activities update

IX. OLD BUSINESS (action if appropriate)

- A. Safe Routes to School: approval of school property easements for the City to build trail system. The proposed trail starts at the southwest corner of the PdC High School back parking lot, goes south to Wells Street, east along Wells to the Bluff View School and intersection with new path that goes south along 22nd Street

*Motion by Mark and second by Lynn to approve easement; passed unanimous with all in favor.*

X. NEW BUSINESS (action if appropriate)

- A. Any items removed from Consent Agenda for further discussion

- B. Give Policy Committee authority to change school documents: based on School Board Association recommendation of consistent language; change all policies to

refer to District Administrator (change all reference of Superintendent to District Administrator) this is not a policy change, just a language clarification

- C. Give Policy Committee authority to change school documents: based on School Board Association recommendation of consistent language; change all policies to refer to Board of Education (change all reference of School Board etc. to Board of Education) this is not a policy change, just a language clarification
- D. Give Policy Committee authority to change school documents: based on School Board Association recommendation of consistent language; change all policies to remove all old language nullified by ACT 10 (remove / change all reference of negotiations etc.) this is not a policy change, just a language clarification to match state laws
- E. Give Policy Committee authority to change school documents: based on School Board Association recommendation of consistent language; change all policies to refer to Student (change all reference of Pupil etc. to Student) this is not a policy change, just a language clarification
- F. Give Policy Committee authority to change school documents: based on School Board Association recommendation of consistent language; change all policies to change special education language and terms (remove / change all reference of EEN and M-Team etc.) this is not a policy change, just a language clarification to match state and federal laws
- G. Give Policy Committee authority to change school documents: based on School Board Association recommendation of consistent language; change all policies on student promotion to be in one place and cross reference to student handbooks (Board policy to have generic state law, and yearly approved handbooks to contain policy and practices) this is not a policy change, just a language clarification to match state laws
- H. Give Policy Committee authority to change school documents: based on School Board Association recommendation of consistent language; add an English Language Learners ELL policy; this is a new policy to be consistent with state and federal laws; this is no change in practice
- I. Give Policy Committee authority to change school documents: based on School Board Association recommendation of consistent language; add a Course Options policy; this is a new policy to be consistent with state laws

- J. Give Policy Committee authority to change school documents: based on School Board Association recommendation of consistent language; add a Technical Education Scholarship policy; this is a new policy to be consistent with new state laws

*Motion by Lonnie and second by Kyle to give Policy Committee authority as outlined in B through J; passed unanimous with all in favor.*

- K. Grants & Donations read into record and approved (if any)
  - 1. 2014-15 Wisconsin Title I School of Recognition
    - a) Bluff View Junior High-\$500.00
    - b) Bluff View Middle School-\$500.00
    - c) Bluff View Elementary-\$500.00
  - 2. 3M school supply donation
- L. Student Travel (if any)
  - 1. The 8th grade class trip to Chicago is June 3 and 4th (two days, one night). The cost will be about \$400 with the first payment due in January.
- M. Committee Meeting Reports by Board members (action if appropriate)
  - 1. Marketing Committee: Website, Community events, Open Enrollment, marketing plan
    - a) Ms. Gallagher and Mr. Johnson are working with CESA-3 to possibly use their new video capabilities
  - 2. Policy Committee
  - 3. Building & Grounds
    - a) Update on CESA-10 projects
    - b) Update on facilities use plan
    - c) Priority items for next year
  - 4. Finance
  - 5. Legislative Advocacy
    - a) Wisconsin's PK-12 Pathway to World-Class Student Success:  
[http://wsaa.org/saainfo/wp-content/uploads/2014/11/SSA\\_Draft31.pdf](http://wsaa.org/saainfo/wp-content/uploads/2014/11/SSA_Draft31.pdf)
- N. Parking Lot (FROM PAST MEETINGS-items that arise during the meeting that aren't on the agenda, but which may need follow-up)
  - 1. Future policy committee item: sending out promotional items

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.

*Motion by Ron and seconded by Lynn to go into closed session. Passed unanimously by roll call with all in favor:*

*YES: Lonnie Achenbach*

*YES: Mark Forsythe*

*YES: Kyle Kozelka*

*YES: Lynn O'Kane*

*YES: Christine Panka*

*YES: Ron Quamme*

- A. Individual Employee Request: consider teacher proposal regarding conditions of future employment and compensation pursuant to sec. 19.85(1)(c), Wis. Stats.
- B. Individual Employee Request: specific handbook issue
- C. Individual Staff changes
- D. Legal issues update

XII. RETURN TO OPEN SESSION

*Motioned by Ron and seconded by Kyle to return to open session at 7:40 p.m.; passed unanimously with all in favor.*

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

*No action*

XIV. ADJOURNMENT

*Motion by Ron and second by Lynn to adjourn meeting at 7:41 p.m. Passed unanimously with all in favor. Meeting Adjourned.*

  
President

*Notes taken by Drew Johnson*