

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 **October 14, 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 Michael Higgins, Jr. at 5:30 p.m.

Present BOE Members:

Michael Higgins, Jr.
Nick Gilberts
Lonnie Achenbach
Dustin Brewer
Lacie Anthony
Noah White

Absent BOE Member

Jim Hackett

II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

III. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Motion by Gilberts and seconded by Anthony 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. 09.09.2024 Regular Board Meeting

C. Personnel

1. Resignation

- a) Michelle Kirchman-Middle School Forensics Advisor
- b) Julie Mezera-Bluff View Teacher's Aide
- c) Stephen Ronnfeldt-Assistant Middle School Wrestling Coach

2. Approval

- a) Skyler Reynolds-5th Grade Boys Basketball Coach
- b) Alyssa Davis-7th Grade Girls Basketball Coach
- c) Amber Lenzendorf-Middle School/High School Forensics Advisor
- d) Randy Schneider- JV Boys Basketball coach

Motion by Gilberts and seconded by White 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. 10.28.2024 Annual Budget Meeting 5:30 p.m. Prairie du Chien High School
2. 11.11.2024 Regular Board Meeting 5:30 p.m. Prairie du Chien High School

B. Information Items

1. 10.6-12.2024 School Board Appreciation Week
1. 10.16.2024 Operating Referendum Information Meeting, 6:30 p.m. Eastman Community Building
2. 10.23.2024 Operating Referendum Information Meeting, 7:30 p.m. Prairie du Chien Area Arts Center, High School
3. 10.30.2024 Operating Referendum Information Meeting, 6:30 p.m. Prairie du Chien Fire Department

C. Future PAAC Events

1. 11.07,9,10.2024 PDCHS Fall Musical "Mary Poppins"
2. 11.11.2024 PDCHS Veterans Day Ceremony
3. 11.15.2024 Red Cross Blood Drive PAAC Lobby

VIII. REPORTS AND DISCUSSION (action if appropriate)

A. Superintendent/Building Administrator's Report/Presentation

1. Bluff View Elementary
 - a) New Math curriculum is going well for grades 3-5.
 - b) Students attended the homecoming pep rally.
 - c) Bridgeport and Prairie du Chien Fire Departments visited the school for Fire Prevention Week.
 - d) Book Fair was a success.
 - e) Parent-Teacher Conferences are Wednesday.
2. Bluff View Middle School
 - a) Students participated in bus safety training.
 - b) Math Counts started and MAPS testing finished.
 - c) 6-12 grade department meetings are taking place.
3. High School
 - a) Soil team is going to Nationals.
 - b) Homecoming went great with no issues.
 - c) Stephanie Mezera is doing a great job bringing college and military representatives in to talk to students.
 - d) Natalie White is setting up FAFSA training for parents and helping students with college applications.
4. B.A. Kennedy
 - a) Students went to the high school to participate in homecoming activities with the high school students.

- b) Students will be taking a trip to Luther College to see the play "Charlotte's Web".
- c) Act 20 state screeners are going on.

5. District

- a) 6 weeks of school is complete and professional development for teaching staff is Thursday and Friday.
- b) Neola policies that have been adopted by the District are now active on the school website.
- c) Operating Referendum meetings have been small but very good questions. 10/23 meeting will be on Zoom.

B. Community Connections and Celebrations

IX. OLD BUSINESS (action if appropriate)

A. Monthly Finance 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. Richland Area Retired Educators' Association (RAREA) donated school supplies to B.A. Kennedy.
- 2. Sheila Davis donated items for classrooms.
- 3. Riverside Chiropractic donated school supplies to B.A. Kennedy.

C. Boys and Girls Soccer Co-Op for Fall 2025

Motion by Achenbach and seconded by Anthony to approve Boys and Girls Soccer Co-Op with Viroqua, Seneca, and Wauzeka-Steuben for Fall 2025 and Spring 2026. Passed unanimously with all in favor.

D. 3rd Friday Count Update

E. District Library Plan

Motion by Achenbach and seconded by Anthony to approve District Library Plan. Passed unanimously with all in favor.

F. 2024 Crisis Response Plan Approval

Motion by Gilberts and seconded by Anthony to approve 2024 Crisis Response Plan. Passed unanimously with all in favor.

G. Student Travel (if any)

1. FFA National Convention Field Trip, Oct. 22-26, 2024 Indianapolis and Louisville

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. Finance

B. Personnel

Motion by Anthony and seconded by Gilberts to go into Closed Session at 5:57 p.m. to discuss Financing and Personnel. Passed unanimously with all in favor.

XII. RETURN TO OPEN SESSION

Motion by Anthony and seconded by Brewer to return to Open Session at 6:25 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 Anthony to adjourn meeting at 6:26 p.m. Passed unanimously with all in favor. Meeting Adjourned.



President

Notes taken by Jackie Rodenberg