

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 9, 2024** in the **Prairie du Chien High School Little Theater**, 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 Achenbach and seconded by Anthony to accept the Agenda. Passed unanimously with all in favor.

IV. SPECIAL GUEST SPEAKERS

A. Jason and Katie-SWTC

B. Esme- Exchange Teacher from Monterey, Mexico

V. SCHOOL BUILDING SITE VISIT FOR INFORMATION ON FUTURE POSSIBLE

B.A. KENNEDY CLOSURE (NO ACTION TAKEN)

A. 6:00-6:25 B.A. Kennedy (Enter Main, Door #1)

Left High School to go to B.A. Kennedy at 5:45 p.m.

B. 6:35-7:00 Bluff View (Enter Middle School Side, Door #2)

Left B.A. Kennedy to go to Bluff View at 6:25 p.m.

C. 7:10 High School (Back to High School, Little Theater, Review Information)

Left Bluff View to go to High School at 7:00 p.m.

Motion by Gilberts and seconded by White to go into Closed Session at 7:28 p.m. to discuss Student Expulsion. Passed unanimously with all in favor.

Motion by Brewer and seconded by Gilberts to return to Open Session at 8:02 p.m. Passed unanimously with all in favor.

VI. 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. 11.18.2024 Regular Board Meeting
2. 11.20.2024 Special Meeting
3. 11.25.2024 Committee of the Whole Meeting
4. 11.25.2024 Special Meeting

C. Personnel

1. Resignation
 - a) Donna Black-Bluff View Full-time Teacher's Aide
2. Approval

D. ECCP/Start College Now (if any)

E. Alternative Open Enrollment Applications

Motion by Gilberts and seconded by White to approve Consent Agenda Items but pull out VI B.4. Passed unanimously with all in favor.

VII. 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)

VIII. 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. 12.16.2024 Working Session 7:30 p.m. (action if appropriate) OR
2. 12.17.2024 Working Session 5:30 p.m. (action if appropriate)

12.17.2024 Working Session at 6:15 p.m. was picked for the meeting date and time.

3. 01.06.2025 Working Session 5:30 p.m. (action if appropriate)
4. 01.13.2025 Regular Board Meeting Regular Board Meeting
5:30 p.m. Prairie du Chien High School
5. 02.10.2025 Regular Board Meeting Regular Board Meeting
5:30 p.m. Prairie du Chien High School

B. Information Items

1. 12.27.2024 Deadline for Incumbents to File Notice of Non Candidacy (5:00 p.m.)
2. 01.07.2025 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) Lacie Anthony

- b) Jim Hackett
- 4. 01.13.2025 Drawing of Lots for Ballot Order: Certify Ballot Eligibility to County Clerk(s)
- 5. 01.22-24.2025 State Education Convention

C. Future PAAC Events

- 1. 12.09.2024 Bluff View 6-8 Band & Choir Concert
- 2. 12.16.2024 PDCHS Band & Choir Concert
- 3. 12.19.2024 PDCSD Orchestra Concert
- 4. 01.25.2025 Eagle's Heart and Cancer Telethon
- 5. 01.28.2025 Red Cross Blood Drive
- 6. 02.13.2025 Bluff View Play
- 7. 02.22.2025 Wisconsin Singers
- 8. 03.18.2025 PDCHS Band & Choir Concert
- 9. 03.21.2025 Artrageous

IX. REPORTS AND DISCUSSION (action if appropriate)

A. Superintendent/Building Administrator's Report/Presentation

- 1. Bluff View Elementary
 - a) 3rd grade are learning about the sea, space, multiplication and division.
 - b) 4th grade are working on math story problems. Wit Wisdom is learning about mountain ranges.
 - c) 5th grade is enjoying their foreign exchange teacher, Esme, from Monterey, Mexico. They also get to Facetime with students in Mexico.
 - d) L's for Elders raised \$893.58 from coin change to be donated to elder charities.
- 2. B.A. Kennedy
 - a) Students did wonderful at the Winter concert.
 - b) Sweets with Someone Special had a breakfast in November.
 - c) Universal assessments are in January.
- 3. Bluff View Middle School
 - a) Gymnastics had a wonderful event this past weekend.
 - b) Band and choir concert tonight.
 - c) Basketball has started.
- 4. High School
 - a) Girls wrestling placed 3rd out of 18 teams with five girls competing. Boys finished 2nd.

- b) 43 out of 73 seniors have been accepted in a post secondary school. Thanks to Natalie White and Stephanie Mezera for your hard work helping the students.
- c) Students are working on their community service.
- d) One student was identified and actions taken for the antisemitism vandalism. There will be a report done from an outside service to see why this is happening at the high school.

5. District

- a) Report card presentation will be coming up. Great job staff.
- b) Board Agendas are put out on Fridays before the meeting. They are emailed to Courier Press, WQPC radio station, KCTN radio station, public library, Peoples State Bank, Crawford County Building, each school, emailed to staff and students, and school district board webpage.

B. Community Connections and Celebrations

X. OLD BUSINESS (action if appropriate)

A. Monthly Finance Update

B. Substitute Teacher Pay

- 1. Moving Substitute Pay to \$160.00 daily for short or long-term substitute pay.

Motion by Achenbach and seconded by Gilberts to raise Substitute Pay to \$160.00 daily rate for short or long-term substitute pay starting January 1, 2025. Passed unanimously with all in favor.

2. Baird Update

C. Scenic Bluffs Clinic Information

XI. NEW BUSINESS (action if appropriate)

A. Any items removed from Consent Agenda for further discussion

Motion by Gilberts and seconded by Achenbach to table VI.B4 till 12.17.2024 Working Session meeting. Gilberts is challenging that the meeting had multiple violations. Passed by roll call vote 6-0.

B. Grants & Donations read into record and approved (if any)

- 1. Charles and Teresa Connell donated money to the Pick-a-Pack program.

2. Food Science department received a grant from the Wisconsin Beef Council. They are using it to purchase beef to use in Food Science classes for a presentation by Amy Mitchell from the extension office.

C. Letter of Indorsement for Broadband Project

1. Dale Klemme

Motion by Achenbach and seconded by Gilberts to approve the Letter of Indorsement for Broadband Project. Passed unanimously with all in favor.

D. District Report Cards

1. Bluffview Elementary
2. Bluffview Middle School
3. Prairie du Chien High School
4. Mighty River Charter School
5. Overall District Report Card

E. Potential Building Changes:

1. 2024-25 6th/7th/8th Grades Move to the High School

Motion by Achenbach and seconded by Gilberts to approve Mr. Morris to proceed with public committee and meeting with staff. Passed unanimously with all in favor.

F. Committee Formation:(February Start Date)

1. Facility/Finance/Personnel Committee
 - a) Meet 1st Monday of Month at 5:30 p.m.
2. Policy/Governance Committee
 - a) Meet Semi-Annually, January and June(May and December updates come out)
3. Educational Committee
 - a) (Meeting TBA)
4. Strategic Planning Committee
 - a) (Meeting TBA)

Tabled to 12.17.2024 Working Session Meeting

G. District Administrator Evaluation

H. Student Travel (if any)

I. Parking Lot (Items for future agenda)

XII. 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. Student Expulsion - Start at 7:30 p.m., Room 103, may return to open session to complete the school board agenda.
- B. Personnel
- C. Finance

Motion by White and seconded by Brewer to go into Closed Session at 9:20 p.m. to discuss Personnel and Finance. Passed unanimously with all in favor.

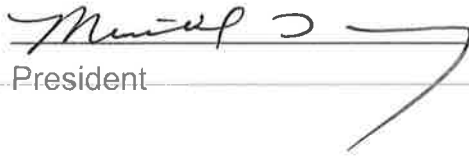
XIII. RETURN TO OPEN SESSION

Motion by Brewer and seconded by Anthony to return to Open Session at 9:53 p.m. Passed unanimously with all in favor.

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

XV. ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Anthony and seconded by Achenbach to adjourn meeting at 9:54 p.m.
Passed unanimously with all in favor. Meeting Adjourned.



President

Notes taken by Jackie Rodenberg