

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 February 14, 2011 in the City Hall Council Chambers, 214 West Blackhawk Avenue, Prairie du Chien, Wisconsin, 6:30 p.m.

CALL TO ORDER

Meeting was called to order by President, Brian Edwards at 6:45p.m.

Achenbach- present

Atkins-present

Edwards- present

Quamme- present

Forsythe-present

Ruskey- present

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

ADOPTION OF AGENDA

**Motion by Ron Quamme seconded by Joe Atkins to adopt the agenda with all in favor.  
Motion carried.**

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)

1. Approval of Minutes
  - a. January 10, 2011 Regular Board Meeting
  - b. January 26, 2011 Building and Grounds Meeting
  - c. January 27, 2011 Special Board Meeting
2. Financial Report: Approval of Payment Request Retreat  
(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.)
3. Personnel
  - a. Resignations of Student Council Advisor Kayla Mezera, Student Council Advisor Jane Yeomans-Wonderling, Freshman Boys Football Coach Mike McCoy
  - b. Approval of Substitute Teacher Rebecca Kramer and Jessica Yanna
  - c. Retirement of Ruth Jacoby at the end of the 2010-2011 school year- this motion has the stipulation that Ruth can pull her retirement up to 2/28/11 as there are some workshops before then to confirm questions and finalize retirement information
  - d. Lane Changes for Michele Bartels and Chris LaHaie
  - e. Approval of Co-Curricular MS Drama Assistant Linda Hanson and MS Wrestling Coach Bryan Nestingen
  - f. Maternity leave approval for Amy Darnick
  - g. Early Graduates
4. Continuing Contracts (if any)

**Motion by Joe Atkins seconded by Tina Ruskey to approval all items with all in favor.  
Motion carried.**

## CITIZEN PARTICIPATION

- **Ryan Licht- Talked in support of keeping Nick Darnick as a phy-ed teacher. Read a letter written by a fellow student. Presented list of signatures from students (petition) in support of Mr. Darnick.**
- **Shelly Mergen-Talked in support of Nick Darnick**
- **Ron Sedgwick-Ask for school board/District Admin. Support of the teachers, by contacting Senator Kapanke, Lee Nerison and other legislatures regarding Governor Scott Walker's proposal which will have a huge impact on teachers and their bargaining power.**

## CORRESPONDENCE/INFORMATION ITEMS (action if appropriate)

1. Upcoming Meetings and Board Items
  - a. Open Enrollment applications can be submitted to Bridget Wright between February 7, 2011 and no later than 4:00 p.m. February 25, 2011 January
  - b. February 15, 2011 Primary Election
  - c. February 16, 2011 Building and Grounds Meeting-Central Courtyard Contractor Walk through @ 1:00 pm High School Conference Room
  - d. February 17, 2011 Canvassing of Primary Election
  - e. February 24, 2011 Building and Grounds Meeting-Bid Opening @ 2:00 pm High School Conference Room
  - f. February 28, 2011 Special Board Meeting-Central Courtyard project possibly accepting Bids @ 7:00 pm High School Learning Lab
  - g. March 11, 2011 2011 Effective Bargaining in Madison
  - h. March 14, 2011 Regular Board Meeting-**Change to 3/7/2011**
  - i. March 16, 2011 WASB Day at the Capitol (Madison)
  - j. April 5, 2011 Spring Election
  - k. April 11, 2011 Regular Board Meeting

**Went into Closed Session at 7:00 p.m. Motion by Tina Ruskey seconded by Ron Quamme to go into closed session at 7:00 p.m. with all in favor. Motion carried.**

2. Set Planning Meeting-March 21<sup>st</sup>, 5:00 pm at Peoples State Bank
3. Information Items

## REPORTS AND DISCUSSION (action if appropriate)

1. Superintendent/Building Administrator's Report/presentation
  - a. Update on Central Courtyard Project at the High School (bids due February 28, 2011)

## OLD BUSINESS (action if appropriate)

1. Phone Bids, award or table to Committee (this item to be taken up after closed sessions)
2. Final Nonrenewal notices for budgetary and excess staffing reasons to Emily O'Brien and Nicholas Darnick (this item to be taken up after closed sessions)

## NEW BUSINESS (action if appropriate)

1. Grants & Donations read into record and approved (if any)
2. Any items removed from Consent Agenda for further discussion

3. Counselor Services Discussion-**Revisit at next meeting**
4. Drawing for Ballot order for spring election. The order will be adjusted after the primary by simply removing the non-selected person in the primary.  
**Ballot Order:**
  1. Gene Carlson
  2. Jamie Wagar
  3. Lonnie Achenbach
  4. Joe Atkins
  5. Kent Mathews
5. Co-op with Wauzeka-Steuben School District for Wrestling
6. Co-op with Richland Center School District for Gymnastics
7. Student Travel (if any)
  - a. International Club traveling to Greece/Italy on April 21, 2011 and returning on April 30, 2011.

**CLOSED SESSION (1) At 7:00 p.m. will go into closed session and at conclusion of closed session will return to open session to continue where left off with open session agenda items**  
**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:

- a. PEA Union Grievance Hearing Level IV
  - (e) Deliberating or conducting other specific public business whenever competitive or bargaining reasons require a closed session.
- b. PEA requested Hearing on Layoff of Two Teachers Contract
  - (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.  
**No action will revisit at March meeting.**
- c. Administrative Contract Language
  - (1)(c) Considering employment, promotion, compensation or performance evaluation data of any public employee over which the governmental body has jurisdiction or exercises responsibility  
**Tabled to Finance Committee for review and to finalize**
- d. Possible future Contracts
 

“[d]eliberating or negotiating the purchasing of public properties, the investing of public funds, or conducting other specified public business, whenever competitive or bargaining reasons require a closed session.”  
 Wis. Stat. § 19.85(1)(e). This exemption is not limited to deliberating or

negotiating the purchase of public property or the investing of public funds.

**Motion by Tina Ruskey seconded by Joe Atkins to go past 10:00 p.m with all in favor. Motion carried.**

RETURN TO OPEN SESSION

**Motion by Tina Ruskey seconded by Ron Quamme to return to open session at 10:10 p.m. with all in favor. Motion carried.**

ACTION TAKEN, IF APPROPRIATE, AS A RESULT OF CLOSED SESSION

**Motion by Joe Atkins seconded by Tina Ruskey to deny PEA Union Grievance Hearing Level IV with all in favor. Motion carried**

RESUME REGULAR MEETING IF NOT COMPLETED

**Motion by Joe Atkins seconded by Ron Quamme to approve Co-op with Wauzeka-Stuben School District for Wrestling with all in favor. Motion carried.**

**Motion by Ron Quamme seconded by Tina Ruskey to approve Co-op with Richland Center School district for Gymnastics with all in favor. Motion carried.**

ADJOURNMENT

**Motion by Tina Ruskey seconded by Ron Quamme to adjourn the meeting at 10:38 p.m. with all in favor. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned.**

Notes taken by Vicki Waller and Drew Johnson

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Brian Edwards, President