

# TWO RIVERS PUBLIC SCHOOL DISTRICT BOARD OF EDUCATION

## Committee of the Whole Board Meeting Minute-July 26, 2021

1. The meeting was called to order by President Salta at 5:45 p.m.
2. The following members were present: Commissioners Michael Canty, Jennifer Henrickson, Zak Peterson, Julie Schroeder, Maria Veldre, Randy Williams and Jaimie Salta.
3. Written notice of this meeting was sent to the news media on Friday, July 23, 2021.
4. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.
5. Motion by Com. Schroeder, seconded by Com. Williams to approve the agenda as posted; motion carried unanimously.
6. Recognition of Invited Visitors and Guests:
  - a. Stephanie Korte introduced Summer School Students, Carter, Colton and Savannah, and their teacher, Ms. DeLong. The students shared their literature based art projects depicting Fairy Tales and the life lessons they learned. Students put their reading, writing, and math skills to work on numerous hands-on projects including 8 incredible benches created for the high school.
7. Items for discussion- Nicole Benthein, community member and mom of 2 teenagers, shared information in regards to the CO2 effects of mask wearing from the Journal of Medicine.
8. Board Committee Reports
  - a. Com. Williams updated the Board on the Facility/Technology Committee meeting from July 22nd. The group discussed the initial Facilities Assessment findings, the phone system, and the expansion proposals for the weight room and Esports area. Pres. Salta requested Clint Selle, Bray Architect, to survey the weight room and library spaces for the pending expansion projects. The following meeting dates have been scheduled: August 5, August 19, September 2, September 16, September 30, October 14, October 28, and November 11 or November 18th.
9. Old Business:
  - a. Per his observation from the last Facility/Technology Committee meeting, Clint Selle shared his opinion and approval of moving forward with the Esports expansion in the TRHS Library (via email). Motion by Com. Peterson, seconded by Com. Schroeder to approve \$15,000 for the Esports expansion project; motion carried unanimously.
  - b. Austin Schroeger discussed the increase in the Phone System licensure and the importance of moving forward with the purchasing of the failing system. Com. Williams noted November 5-7 for a targeted installation date as it is the first 3 day stretch with no students. Motion by Com. Veldre, seconded by Com. Canty to approve the bid from Creative Solutions to install a new phone system; motion carried unanimously.
10. New Business:
  - a. Superintendent Diane Johnson announced the Student Academic Standards for 2021-2022 are posted on our website.
  - b. Ryan Carlson from Security Luebke Roofing presented his findings on the condition of the TRHS roof. The roof has been broken down into various sections based on repair needs. Ryan C. recommended the FiberTite Kee membrane for 30 year plus durability for the roof areas: 1, 2 & 3. Pres. Salta recommended tabling the motion until Adam R. is available.
  - c. Diane J., in collaboration with the Administrative team, introduced the Fall Opening Plan derived from the findings of the CDC, Wisconsin Department of Public Health, WIAA, and

Manitowoc County Health Department. In short, face coverings are recommended but not required for the start of school. Masks are federally mandated on the school bus through mid-September. Hybrid classes are not being offered unless a student/family is infected. Jamie Rohrer, school nurse, included a chart of symptoms to keep children home for parents. Jamie R. will be able to do Rapid and PCR covid screening for both students and staff. If the test is positive, there will be at least a 10 day quarantine period. If the family is vaccinated, they will not need to quarantine. Cleaning, hygiene, and staggered scheduling protocols will continue. The Board made a slight amendment to the following disclaimer: Should COVID-19 cases rise or outbreaks occur in the community or with the school district *before* the beginning of the school year or any time *during* the school year, face coverings, as determined by the school board, may be reinstated and students and staff may be required to wear a face covering. Guidance for making this decision will come from the school nursing team, Manitowoc County Public Health, Wisconsin Department of Public Health, and the CDC. Motion by Com. Williams, seconded by Com. Schroeder to accept the amended version of the 2021-2022 Fall Opening Plan for Two Rivers Public School District.

#### 11. District Administrative Reports

##### a. Updates:

##### i. Tim Wester/Alex Ourada

1. Alex O. discussed the extensive math material selection process with CESA 7. For the last year and a half, the middle school teams reviewed materials to cover math state standards with rigorous, real life experiences with help from Tina Lemons. The pilot plan will start in December/January and a choice will be made by the end of the school year. This is a typical time table to do so.
2. Tim Wester informed the Board about the ELA small group instruction training with Jennifer Serravallo planned for August 12th. The group will focus on assessing the individual needs in learning, assessing and closing gaps.
3. L.B. Clarke 5th-8th grade teachers will continue the once a month coaching partnerships with CESA 7.
4. Other items

##### ii. Tim Engh/Brian Gallagher

1. Brian G. shared the fall sports start dates: August 2-football, Aug 10-girls tennis and swim, August 16-volleyball, cross country, and soccer. WIAA contracts and consent forms are available on our website. Junior Prom took place at Sepia Chapel. Thank you to Katie Wilsmann and Jody Stradal for putting this wonderful event together. Thank you to Mariah Honek for providing the music. It was a beautiful evening.
2. Tim E. updated the Board on the expansion of the TRHS weight room. After a pause in the work, Clint S. evaluated the space and recommended the work to continue. An additional space of 65% will be added to the space.
3. The Rising Phoenix program has 15 students. Eight students will be supported financially through the district, while the remaining seven students will take advantage of the lower costs of the program.

##### iii. Diane Johnson

1. New Staff Mentoring- Currently, we have 17 new staff members and are looking to add 2 more with the Kindergarten position at Koenig and Special Ed Teacher at L.B. Clarke.

Jenny Schneider will lead the Kids at HOPE presentation during a portion of the 2 day mentoring program. The additional topics to be addressed will include equity training, educator effectiveness, monthly meetings, and 2 resources: The First Days of School by Harry Wong and The Teacher Clarity Playbook by Douglas Fischer.

2. The Administrative Team meeting on July 21st was a very successful and productive day in preparation for the beginning of the school year.
3. WASB online learning platform-Diane J. suggested sharing the introductory sessions from this platform at the second board meeting of the month and the Board was open to do so.
4. Boarddocs demonstration and discussion- In order to cut down on paper usage, staff time, and for convenience, Diane J. requested the Board watch a demonstration on how BoardDocs could work for us, at the next meeting.
5. Board Goals from 2020-2021-It was recommended to keep the goals from last year with a few tweaks as we would keep the learning goals, family goals, get the community into our schools: weight room, reading to the children, utilizing technology and facilities. After some reworking, it will be brought back to the Board for approval.
6. The following schedule on administrators attending board meetings was discussed:
  - a. 2nd Monday of the month: Adam, Bridgett, Chad and Dana give updates
  - b. 4th Monday of the month: Tim/Alex, Tim/Brian, and Austin give updates
  - c. Presentations as needed by administrators or other groups
7. Other items- The WASB flyer was recognized and any board member wishing to attend any conferences should discuss this with Diane J.

b. Upcoming events were announced.

12. Closed Session: Motion by Com. Canty; seconded by Com. Peterson to move into closed session at 7:25 p.m., unanimous on roll call; motion carried unanimously on a roll call vote. The Board of Education voted on convening in Closed Session under State Statute 1985 (1) (c)(f) for the purpose of discussing the following:
  - a. Student - Discipline
  - b. Personnel - Employee Compensation
  - c. Personnel - Employee Compensation
  - d. Personnel - Contract

Any business conducted in closed session or subsequent open session shall conform to the stated agenda.

13. Return to Regular Session- Motion by Com. Schroeder; seconded by Com. Canty to return to open session at 8:51 p.m./ motion carried unanimously.
14. Motion by Com. Williams, seconded by Com. Peterson to adjourn the meeting at 8:51 p.m.; motion carried unanimous

Respectfully submitted,  
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