TWO RIVERS PUBLIC SCHOOL DISTRICT BOARD OF EDUCATION

Regular School Board Minutes, Aug 14, 2023

1. OPENING

- A. The meeting was called to order at 5:45 pm by President Henrickson.
- B. Present: Jennifer Henrickson, Gary Shavlik, Maria Veldre, Randy Williams. Excused: Nicole Benthein, Tim Klinkner, Zak Peterson.
- C. Written notice of this meeting was sent to the news media on Friday, Aug 11, 2023.
- D. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.
- E. Motion by Veldre, second by Shavlik to approve the Agenda; motion carried 4-0.
- F. Motion by Shavlik, second by Veldre to approve the minutes of the following meetings: Board Regular-July 10, 2023, Policy-July 18, 2023, Board Regular-July 24, 2023, Lighthouse Learning Academy Charter Meeting July 25, 2023 and Board Special July 31, 2023; motion carried 4-0.
- G. Invited Guest Kozlowski shared the summer school wrap up. Many good opportunities with the nearly 650 students. Families and staff were surveyed to learn more about what went well and what improvements can be made. Thank you Melanie!

2. PUBLIC COMMENT FROM CITIZENS ON AGENDA ITEMS: None.

3. COMMUNICATIONS: Thank you notes.

4. FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

- A. Motion by Williams, second by Shavlik to approve the bills to be paid for July 2023 in the amount of \$1,095,855.55; motion carried 4-0.
- B. Motion by Williams, second by Shavlik to approve the Referendum bills to be paid for July 2023 in the amount of \$435,621.00; motion carried 4-0.
- C. Motion by Veldre, second by Shavlik to approve the Financial Statements for June 2023; motion carried 4-0.

5. BOARD COMMITTEE REPORTS

- A. Facility/Technology Williams reported on the July 31 BOE and City of Two Rivers joint meeting on the land transfer. Johnson conferred with legal counsel that the district is able to spend interest earnings to complete the varsity baseball field by the end of 2025 (and not utilize Walsh field) as a condition of the City of Two Rivers Land Transfer Agreement. The next meeting is tentatively scheduled for Aug 30.
- B. Policy Henrickson announced the July 2023 Neola policies will be reviewed at the September 13 policy meeting.

6. OLD BUSINESS

- A. Motion by Veldre, second by Williams to approve the policies from July 18 Policy Meeting: 0112 Purpose, 0122 Board Powers, 0142.6 Recall, 0143.1 Public Expression of Board Members, 0168.1 Meeting Minutes, 0171.3 Clerk, 0171.4 Treasurer, 1619 Group Health Plans, 3120.08 Employment of Personnel for Co-Curricular/Extra-Curricular Activities 3140 Non-Renewal, Resignation, and Termination, 3170.01 Employee Assistance Program (EAP), 3419 Group Health Plans, 3419.02 Privacy Protections of Fully Insured Group Health Plans, 4419 Group Health Plans; motion carried 4-0.
- B. Other as appropriate: None.

7. NEW BUSINESS

- A. Motion by Veldre, second by Williams to accept the resignation of the following staff members effective upon payment of liquidated damages: Taylor Smith, Kindergarten teacher, Koenig Elementary, Becca Zellner, School Counselor, Two Rivers High School; motion carried 4-0.
- B. Motion by Williams, second by Shavlik to approve the contract for Brian Boushele, Grade 6 Teacher, for L.B. Clarke Middle School for the 2023-2024 school year; motion carried 4-0 on a roll call vote.

- C. Motion by Veldre, second by Shavlik to approve the contract for Whitney Bender, Special Education Teacher, for Koenig Elementary for the 2023-2024 school year; motion carried 4-0 on a roll call vote.
- D. Motion by Shavlik, second by Williams to approve the contract for Stephanie Skolasinski, District Coach, for L.B. Clarke and Two Rivers High School for the 2023-2024 school year; motion carried 4-0 on a roll call vote.
- E. Motion by Veldre, second by Williams to approve the contract for Corinne Mathis, Grade 7/8 Special Education Teacher, for L.B. Clarke Middle School for the 2023-2024 school year; motion carried 4-0 on a roll call vote.
- F. First reading of the 2023-2024 Employee Handbook the board will review again during the next meeting.
- G. Other as appropriate: None.

8. ADMINISTRATOR UPDATE(S)

- A. Rohrer shared his gratitude for the custodial and maintenance teams and discussed the numerous completed and ongoing summer projects.
- B. Klein presented the 2022-2023 Seclusion and Restraint report and announced Stephanie Kakes, New Special Education Secretary.
- C. McLinn and Milske discussed the work of the Early Literacy Task Force which focuses on the science of reading. Bauknecht shared current events including the elementary school kindergarten meet and greet the teacher and the kick off of the Wit and Wisdom training for the school year.
- D. Korinek presented the Elementary Math Team curriculum review process.
- E. Johnson highlighted the New Staff Inservice, All Staff Inservice, Summer curriculum, Charter virtual meetings for new families, and provided a hiring update. Great things continue to happen!
- 9. Coming events were announced.
- **10.** Motion by Veldre, second by Shavlik to adjourn to Closed Session under State Statute 19.85 (1)(c)(e) for the purpose of discussion: Considering employment promotion, compensation, or performance evaluation data of any public employee over which the government body has jurisdiction or exercises responsibility, Deliberating the investing of public funds at 7:08 pm; motion carried 4-0 on a roll call vote.
- **11.** Motion by Williams, second by Shavlik to convene into Regular Session for the purpose of considering motions as a result of Closed Session at 8:12 pm; motion carried 4-0. Motion by Williams, second by Veldre to obtain an owner's representative to oversee the building project; motion carried 4-0. Motion by Williams, second by Veldre to approve the agreed upon employee contract as discussed in closed session; motion carried 4-0 on a roll call vote.
- 12. Motion by Veldre, second by Shavlik to adjourn the meeting at 8:13 pm; motion carried 4-0.

Respectfully submitted,

Randy Williams, Board Clerk

Sheila Bialek, Administrative Assistant