

Wittenberg-Birnamwood School District

Official Minutes of the Board of Education, September 25, 2017

Meeting called to order by President Chuck Wendler, pursuant to WI.STATS.1984(1). Superintendent Rogowski verified that this meeting was posted and published as required by law.

Roll Call of the Board:

All nine Board members present. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Approve the Minutes:

(Schmidt - Pestka) moved to approve the minutes August 28, 2017, Regular Meeting as circulated. Motion carried.

Delegations & Communications: The following were in attendance; Vicki Dombeck, Jackie Berndt, Randy Berndt, Miriam Nelson, Reuben Eckardt, Rachel Bauch and Hilary Rinke. The Board received a thank you from Salvesen family for the Board's kind words during their difficult time.

Student Representative: Vicki Dombeck updated the Board on the activities that have been happening with the student body and events the Student Senate has planned, to include Homecoming activities. The Color Run is this Saturday. They will be hosting the Student Council Summit this year.

Public Comments: A concern was expressed on how the Board meetings are posted.

Rachel Bauch and Hilary Rinke, teachers from Birnamwood, discussed with the Board an opportunity for 8th graders to go to D.C. This is just in the research stage, but would like permission to move forward. The Board approved to move forward with researching this idea.

Board Concerns and Reports: Kristy Meredith handed out CESA brochures on what they provide for districts. She also attended the last Ruder Ware meeting with the topic of discussion being Student Mental Health Support Programs.

Financial Report:

(Magee – Meredith) moved to approve budgetary checks numbering 95756-96009 in the amount of \$260,489.32, payroll checks numbering 14107-141054 in the amount of \$43,144.28 direct deposit advices in the amount of \$329,773.99, and ACH payments in the amount of \$372,848.03 as of September 25, 2017. The motion includes all journal entries for the month of August. Roll call vote: 9 - yes

Superintendent Rogowski gave the Cash on Deposit Report as: \$3,188,623.93 and money with the Government Investment Pool \$759.82 all as of August 31, 2017.

Approve the Agenda:

(Pestka - Schmidt) moved to approve the agenda with Item A being moved to October. One closed session item regarding bus driver wage discussion. Motion carried.

Administrative Reports:

Dan Johnson, Maintenance Supervisor stated that staff is finishing up on little touches of cleaning and summer projects. All is going well.

Guy Steckbauer, Birnamwood Elementary/Middle School Principal, provided the Board with upcoming dates for Birnamwood and the Building Goals for 2017-18 School Year.

Vicky Haas, Wittenberg Elementary/Middle School Principal, said all is going well. The PBIS theme this year is "I Am Somebody". In the process of MAP testing. Hosted the NED (Never Give Up, Encourage Others, Do your Best) show. Brenda Jozwiak-Boldig, Director of Pupil Services stated that this Friday, September 29 is the first Professional Development day for teachers.

Garrett Rogowski, Superintendent, discussed pupil count, open enrollment and revenue limits. Our district surveys went out but not all mail routes have received their bundles from the La Crosse Post Office. Hopefully everyone will receive them soon.

Old Business: None

New Business:

Item A: 2016-2017 Audit Report for Information was moved to the October Agenda.

(Rew – T. Wendler) moved to approve the fuel bid from Remington Oil for the Birnamwood Bus Fleet; Refund the federal tax and give an additional discount of 2% off the remaining current monthly statement; approve the fuel bid from Wagner Shell for the Wittenberg Bus Fleet; Provide a \$.05 discount per gallon on the posted price for regular gasoline, diesel and blended diesel fuel. Motion carried.

(Rew – Pestka) moved to approve the snow removal bid from Hanson Excavating for the Wittenberg buildings; pickup truck w/plow and operator \$65, snowplow truck w/sander and operator \$65, end loader and operator w/17 ft plow, \$205, 744 loader w/20 ft plow and salt and sand \$25 per yard; approve the snow removal bid from Meverden Excavating for the

Birnamwood Building; pickup and plow \$65, tractor loader & box scraper \$80, single axle plow truck and sander \$85 and salt and sand \$32 per yard. Motion carried.

(Schmidt – T. Wendler) moved to approve the resignation of Roxanne Bierman, custodian, at the Wittenberg Elementary. Motion carried. Thanks to Roxanne for her year of service.

(T. Wendler – Pestka) moved to approve the resignation of Susan Pingel, bus driver. Motion carried. The Board thanks Sue for her many years of service and her help in the transition.

(Schmidt – Magee) moved to approve the hire of Claudia Marek, full time bus driver at the starting rate of \$14.05/hr. Motion carried.

(Pestka – Meredith) moved to approve the 2017-18 Substitute Pay schedule as presented. Motion carried.

(T. Wendler - Schmidt) moved to adjourn, 7:58 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

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