Minutes of REGULAR MEETING

The Board of Education Wausau School District

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A Education/Operations Committee Meeting of the Board of Education of the Wausau School District was held Monday, January 27, 2025, beginning at 5:00 PM in the Nicholson Board Room, 415 Seymour Street, Wausau, Wisconsin 54403.

Present: James Bouche; Sarah Brock; Jon Creisher; Pat McKee; Jennifer Paoli; Joanna Reyes via Webex; Jane Rusch; Cory Sillars; Lance Trollop.

I. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at

II. Approve the Minutes

Sarah Brock moved to approve the minutes of December 16, 2024, seconded by Lance Trollop. The motion carried 9-0.

III. EXCELLENCE IN ACTION: Rib Mountain Elementary

Rib Mountain Principal, Rachel Jean and Rib Mountain students shared a presentation the exciting things happening in their school.

IV. Public and Student Comment.

Deb Albee and Sarah Brock made brief comments.

V. Neola Update (Action Requested)

Lance Trollop moved to recommend to the full Board the approval of the proposed changes to the attached policies with the exception of Policies 5310 and 5330, seconded by Jennifer Paoli. The motion carried 9-0.

VI. Recommendation for 2025-26 Capital Projects (Action Requested)

Jon Creisher moved to postpone the Recommendations for 2025-2026 Capital Projects until February 10, 2025, seconded by Jennifer Paoli. The motion carried 9-0.

VII. Legal Expense for 2nd Quarter of 2024-25

Assistant Superintendent Josh Viegut presented a summary report presenting all legal counsel expenses incurred during the second quarter of 2024-2025. The report is broken down by law firm and by type of legal advice sought. This is a written report that requires no action.

VIII. Approve 2025-2026 School Calendar (Action Requested)

This agenda item will be discussed at the February 10, 2025, Regular meeting.

IX. Presentation of Financial Projection Model Assumptions

Josh Viegut shared many of the key variables contributing to the District's multi-year financial projection model. The model represents a baseline using current information, to which adjustments are subsequently made. The projection model uses budget numbers from the 2024-2025 District budget with percentages and/or dollar amounts cast forward, along with adjustments to create this baseline. Once these assumptions are built into the projection model, it will be presented to the Board at a later date.

X. Report Card Presentation

Julie Schell, Director of Elementary Education, shared information around exploration of moving from quarterly to semester grading at the elementary level.

XI. Consolidation Update

Ralph Williams gave a brief update on the planning of the consolidation.

XII. Real Estate Sales (Possible Action)

Sarah Brock moved to recommend to the full Board the approval of Administration to move forward with the early stages of selling the vacant buildings. Administration has the choice to use a realtor at its discretion, seconded by Jon Creisher. The motion carried 7-0-1 with Mr. McKee abstaining.

XIII. Adjourn

Cory Sillars moved to adjourn, seconded by Pat McKee. The motion carried at 6:11 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Jennifer Paoli, Board Clerk

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