

School District of Cudahy Cudahy, Wisconsin

Regular Board Meeting: June 13, 2022

Agenda Item: Consent Agenda

Background Information: In discussions of how to most efficiently run our Board meetings, the idea of using a consent agenda was brought up. The consent agenda allows routine items to be passed quickly, leaving more time for discussion around items of consequence or concern.

Definition of a consent agenda from WASB's New School Board Member Handbook

3:19 What is a consent agenda?

A consent agenda is an item listed on the regular agenda that groups several routine items under one agenda heading. Routine items (such as paying bills, approving minutes of the last meeting, etc.) can thus be approved by a single unified motion and vote of the board. The purpose of the consent agenda is to expedite business and streamline the meeting. There is normally no discussion of items on a consent agenda. However, any board member may request that any of the items within the consent agenda be removed from the group for individual discussion and a separate motion and vote.

We already have a policy supporting use of the consent agenda.

Adopted July 14, 2014

0166.1 CONSENT AGENDA

The Board of Education may use a consent agenda to keep routine matters within a reasonable time frame.

The following routine business items may be included in a single resolution for consideration by the Board.

- A. minutes of prior meetings
- B. hiring of personnel
- C. resolutions that require annual adoption, such as bank signatories, Wisconsin High School Athletic Association membership, etc.
- D. resignations and leaves

A member of the Board may request any item to be removed from the consent resolution and defer it for a specific action and more discussion. No vote of the Board will be required to remove an item from the consent agenda. A single member's request shall cause it to be relocated as an action item eligible for discussion. Any item on the consent agenda may be removed and discussed as a nonaction item or be deferred for further study and discussion at a subsequent Board meeting if the Superintendent or any Board member thinks the item requires further discussion.

Plan: The Administration will share information about how a consent agenda works so that the Board can vote on whether or not to adopt this process for Board meetings.

Strategic Priority: Safe and Efficient School and District Operations

Administrative Recommendation: The Administration recommends adopting the consent agenda format for Board meetings.

Action: The following motion would be in order: "Move to adopt the consent agenda format for Board meetings."

Fiscal Note: There is no fiscal note to this item.