

REGULAR SCHOOL BOARD MEETING
KEWAUNEE SCHOOL DISTRICT
BOARD ROOM AT HILLCREST
MARCH 28, 2016
6:00 P.M. Closed Session
7:00 P.M. Regular Session

PRESENT:

BOARD MEMBERS

Mr. Dan Kassner
Mrs. Robin Kinn
Mr. Dennis Shimanek
Mr. Brian Vogeltanz

ADMINISTRATION

Karen Treml, Supt./Sp. Ed. Dir.
Kim Dax, Bus. & Human Serv. Dir.

VISITORS

List available
in the School
District Office

President Brian Vogeltanz called the Regular School Board meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. Meeting notices were posted according to WI State Statutes 19.84(1)(b). A Quorum was verified as all Board members were in attendance with the exception of Kim Kinjerski, John Pagel, and Tom Stangel who were absent and excused.

Robin Kinn motioned, Dan Kassner seconded, to adjourn to Closed Session per WI State Statutes 19.85(1)(c) to discuss personnel issues. The motion carried 4-0 on a roll call vote.

At 7:08, a motion to return to Open Session was made by Dan Kassner and seconded by Robin Kinn. Motion carried unanimously.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Dan Kassner motioned, Robin Kinn seconded to approve the agenda as organized. Motion carried unanimously.

Major topics were discussed next.

A discussion was held regarding adding brick wainscoting to the new Agriculture/Maintenance Center for an additional approximate cost of \$37,500. Color schemes for the siding with brick wainscoting were reviewed. Actual samples of the siding and wainscoting will be viewed prior to making a final decision on color choices.

Dennis Shimanek motioned, Dan Kassner seconded to approve adding brick wainscot to the Agriculture/Maintenance Center for approximately \$37,500. Motion carried 4-0 on a roll call vote.

Kim Dax explained a proposal to increase the hourly summer pay for student workers, which could help attract and retain good student employees. The current starting pay is \$7.50/hour and the suggested starting pay is \$8.50/hour with a potential to earn up to \$10/hour based on years of service and work ethic. This would be the first increase in their pay since 2006.

Dan Kassner motioned, Robin Kinn seconded to approve increasing the summer pay rate for student workers as presented. Motion carried 4-0 on a roll call vote.

Board President Brian Vogeltanz read the following consent agenda items:

1. Minutes of February 22, 2016 and March 9, 2016
2. Payment of the bills in the amount of \$613,584.69
3. The retirement of Mike Holtz, KHS Principal effective June 30, 2016
4. Accept a donation from Shopko Hometown in the amount of \$1,750 from their Signature Campaign

Dan Kassner motioned, Dennis Shimanek seconded to approve the consent agenda items as read. Motion carried 4-0 on a roll call vote. Superintendent Treml expressed appreciation to Mike Holtz for his 12 years of service to the district.

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Superintendent Treml reported on the Facilities Planning to the Board. April 11 will be the first bi-weekly construction meeting and planning for the 2016 summer renovation work will begin. The conditional use meeting for parcels 1-6 will be held at City Hall tomorrow at 6:30 p.m. The building permit has been received for parcels 7 and 8. A ground breaking ceremony will be held April 18 or 25. Fencing for the construction zone will be installed shortly and then the work trailers will be brought in.

The Security Task Force met on March 16 to examine the Safety Plan and will meet again in May for further review. The ALICE team will meet in April to assess their completed training sessions and plan for student and community training sessions. Staff has been told to follow the ALICE protocols if an event should arise.

This is the fifth year since our Strategic Plan has been developed and much has been accomplished. The time has come to update it and Mrs. Treml would like to start reviewing it this fall and hopes to bring in community members, business leaders, parents, students, etc. She will report to the Board on the progress of the current plan. Board members agreed the district is moving in a different direction than it was five years ago due in part to educational changes.

Career and Technical Education collaboration meetings between the Algoma, Luxemburg and Kewaunee school districts and NWTC have been ongoing. The three districts are working to create a letter to notify families of the educational opportunities within each of the school districts. This collaboration will allow students can take courses from either district for credit, including AP courses, but transportation will be their responsibility.

Kim Dax, Director of Business and Human Services reported next. The state was unable to send out their aid payments to districts due to a program glitch, but is expecting to receive it in a day or two. She is working on next year's budget including salary schedules. Purchase orders won't be accepted after April 1 without two signatures for approval.

Board member Kassner inquired about the district's rummage sale. Mrs. Treml explained it will be held in conjunction with the city-wide rummage sale on August 6 and planning will also be needed to determine what items from Hillcrest Building can be sold and what can be donated to legitimate, local non-profit organizations.

Mr. Kassner then read two thank-you cards received by the Board over the past month.

President Vogeltanz announced future meeting dates:

- March 29, 6:30 p.m., Plan Commission meeting, City Hall
- April 4, 5:30 p.m., Special Board meeting; 6:00 p.m. Transportation Co. meeting, Hillcrest Board Room
- April 5, election day-local polling places
- April 10, Build the Future Foundation's Wall of Fame event, JW's-Slovan
- April 25, 7:00 p.m., Regular Board meeting, Hillcrest Board room

It was also mentioned that our regular school board meetings will be recorded for viewing on YouTube.

At 7:53 p.m., Dennis Shimanek motioned, Robin Kinn seconded to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried unanimously.

Debra Jirtle
Administrative Assistant