

**GERMANTOWN SCHOOL DISTRICT
GERMANTOWN, WISCONSIN 53022
MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION
March 10, 2014**

1. The meeting of the Board of Education was called to order by Board President Bob Soderberg in the County Line Elementary School library at 7:04 p.m. District Administrator Jeff Holmes read the official meeting notification. Roll call: Soderberg – yes, Medved – yes, Loth – yes, Warnimont – yes, Barney – yes, Spies – yes, Larson - yes.
2. Motion by Larson, second by Barney to approve the agenda. Motion carried.
3. Motion by Larson, second by Spies to approve the February 24, 2014 Board of Education meeting minutes. Motion carried.
4. Motion by Warnimont, second by Barney to approve the following donations: Accept the donations of two Google Chromebooks valued at \$500 from the Donors Choose Foundation to County Line Elementary School and \$300 from the Germantown High School Student Council to Kennedy Middle School’s archery program.
5. Student Representative Haley DeGrace reported on student events in the district.
6. County Line Principal Cathy Schultz, teacher Tim Bauer, and two 5th grade students gave a presentation on County Line’s use of Chrome Books.
7. Superintendent Holmes informed the Board that the Kennedy Middle School Tech Ed program has been chosen to receive the International Technology and Engineering Educators Association (ITEEA) “Program of Excellence” award for middle schools. Tech Ed teachers Jeff Thielke and John Parrish will travel to Orlando, Florida to receive the award on March 27, 2014 with travel expenses paid from the middle school budget.
8. Director of Teaching and Learning Brenda O’Brien provided an update on the progress of adding a Personal Finance Course as a graduation requirement. The course is currently an elective but will become a graduation requirement effective in 2019 or with students currently in seventh grade. The administration will return to the Board with information regarding the possibility of earlier implementation.
9. Director of Human Resources Cynthia Coley informed the Board that long-term district support staff employees Linda Kastelic and Mark Poertner have submitted their notices of retirement. The Board thanked them for their many years of service to the district.
10. Mrs. Coley also provided an updated student enrollment report.
11. The Board was informed that the Calendar Committee met on March 5, 2014 and reviewed a draft 2014-2015 calendar converted from the 2013-2014 calendar. The Calendar Committee meeting will continue the review making necessary changes in dates and bring back to the Board of Education for approval.

12. Personnel Committee Chair Sarah Larson updated the Board on discussion that took place during the committee meeting regarding the status of development of the Alternative Compensation Model. Verisight will now take the information gathered from the two meetings in February and put together models for review, assess the financial viability and bring forward a preliminary draft for Board review.
13. Recommendation from Standards Development Ad hoc Committee to pay travel expenses for Dr. Sandra Stotsky, expert in academic standards reform, to come to Germantown to work with English/Language Arts staff to begin customizing Germantown's standards development "The Germantown Way." Motion carried.
14. Motion by Spies, second by Warnimont to approve the overnight travel request for 23 high school FBLA students and three chaperone/advisors to travel to Appleton, WI on April 6-8, 2014 to attend the FBLA State Leadership Conference. Motion carried.
15. The Board of Education discussed the Project Lead the Way (PLTW) Cohort Placement Agreement and directed the administration to investigate costing and bring back to the next Board of Education meeting.
16. Motion by Spies, second by Warnimont to approve the 2013-2014 limited term contract for Tiffany Hewitt at \$14,111.63. Motion carried.
17. Motion by Spies, second by Loth to enter into closed session pursuant to 19.85(1)(g). Roll call vote: Medved – yes, Warnimont – yes, Loth – yes, Barney – yes, Spies – yes, Larson – yes, Soderberg – yes. Motion carried.
18. The Board entered into closed session at 8:24p.m. for approval of minutes and discussion regarding pending long-term care litigation. The Board did not return to open session and adjourned at 8:33 p.m.

Jayne Borst
Recording Secretary



Lester Spies
School Board Clerk