

GERMANTOWN SCHOOL DISTRICT
GERMANTOWN, WISCONSIN 53022
MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION
May 18, 2015

1. The meeting of the Board of Education was called to order by Board President Bob Soderberg in the District Office Board Room 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. Citizen Comments: District residents Mary Jo Canham, Laura Wells, Lisa Sweeney, and Christie Waldvogel addressed the Board regarding class sizes and reduction of sections for grade 3 for the 2015-2016 school year at County Line. District resident Lenny Hanson addressed the Board regarding class sizes and expansion at Rockfield.
4. Motion by Warnimont, second by Larson to approve the April 27, 2015 Board of Education meeting minutes. Motion carried.
5. Student Representative Emma Brandenburg updated the Board on student events in the district.
6. Brian Medved provided an update from the April 29, 2015 Ad-hoc Standards Development Committee meeting. The committee will meet again on May 27, 2015. Parent listening sessions are scheduled for May 19 and May 20, 2015.
7. Director of Teaching and Learning Brenda O'Brien provided updates from the May 12, 2015 Human Growth and Development Committee meeting.
8. Director of Human Resources Cynthia Coley updated the Board on district Wellness Committee activities, noted the support staff retirements of Jean Christian and Rochelle Thompson, and provided an updated enrollment report.
9. Board President Bob Soderberg indicated that Board members should let him know their desired committee assignments by Friday, May 22, 2015.
10. District teaching staff Dawn Books-Kosanke, Gina Fricano, and Kerie Schwarten presented information to the Board regarding the Handwriting Without Tears training program they recently attended and thanked the Board for the opportunity to participate in the training, which provides guidance and resources for our instructors to deliver developmentally appropriate, multisensory tools, and strategies for their classrooms that should address all styles of learning in the area of printing and cursive writing.
11. Superintendent Jeff Holmes discussed the recent US News article naming Germantown High School the fifth best high school in Wisconsin and indicated that additional recognition may be coming in the future from Newsweek Magazine.
12. The Board discussed the District Crisis Plan and were directed to send comments to Director of Maintenance Don Ericksen who worked with the Safety Committee for the last seven months preparing and updating the plan which will be brought forward in June for approval and adoption.

13. Recommendation from Finance Committee to allocate funds from the appropriate accounts from the 2015-2016 budget for the purchase of computer equipment and award the purchase of 150 HP computers to Technology Resource Advisors in an amount not to exceed \$105,322.80, award the purchase of 180 ASUS Chromebooks to Troxelin in an amount not to exceed \$41,544, and award a four year lease to US Bank for an annual payment not to exceed \$11,596.60 to finance the purchase of the computer equipment. Motion carried (Warnimont – no).
14. Recommendation from Finance Committee to allocate funds from the appropriate accounts in the 2015-2016 budget for the purchase of the Novell license renewal. Motion carried.
15. Recommendation from Finance Committee to approve the 2015-2016 purchases: \$85,000 for DeAngelis snow plowing services for Amy Belle, County Line, MacArthur, Rockfield, and Germantown High School, \$15,000 for Evergreen Property snow plowing services for Kennedy Middle School, \$19,374 for Filtration Concepts filter changing services, \$24,375 to the Village of Germantown for road salt, and \$66,629 to Unisource for hand and toilet paper, hand soap, and purell. Motion carried.
16. Director of Business Ric Ericksen discussed transferring \$15,000 from the Community Services Fund 80 fund balance to the Special Revenue Trust Fund 21 which will be brought to the Board in the near future for action.
17. Recommendation from Finance Committee to authorize the Clerk of the Board of Education to sign the Local Government Property Insurance Fund withdrawal Form pursuant to Wisconsin Statute 605.21(3) and further, authorize the administration to seek competitive quotes/bids for similar coverage provided under the current plan and report back to the Finance Committee or Board of Education in June 2015 with these results. Motion carried.
18. Committee Chair Michael Loth updated the Board on additional items discussed in Finance Committee including the approval of May 2015 vouchers.
19. Chelsea Davis of School Perceptions reviewed the results of the community and parent survey and discussed data gathered from the survey with the Board.
20. Nick Kent of Plunkett Raysich Architects (PRA) presented an update on Rockfield expansion planning including next steps and a timeline. The Board discussed developing the two story building with the second floor shelled (unfinished) and funding options such as using the Fund Balance, a Bonds and Fund Balance combination, a possible referendum, or a combination.
21. Motion by Warnimont, second by Spies to direct Plunkett Raysich Architects (PRA) to continue as outlined in the path of the timeline provided by Nick Kent through June/July 2015 which would include the steps of conceptual drawings through the Town of Germantown Plan Commission process. Motion carried.
22. Motion by Barney, second by Spies to accept the donation of \$955.20 from Box Tops for Education to County Line's student activity account and accept the donation of two iPad Airs with cases valued at \$959.96 from the Donors Choose Foundation to Mrs. Matuska's class at County Line. Motion carried.

23. Motion by Spies, second by Warnimont to approve the overnight travel request for one qualifying student and advisor Jon Stachowiak to travel to Louisville, KY June 22-26 to attend the Skills USA National Competition. Motion carried.
24. Motion by Warnimont, second by Spies to approve the overnight travel request for 16 high school Future Business Leaders of America (FBLA) students and advisor Steve Martin to travel to Chicago, IL June 29 to July 2, 2015 to compete at the FBLA National Conference. Motion carried.
25. Motion by Warnimont, second by Spies to accept the following resignations:
- Approve the resignation of Christine Becker at the conclusion of the 2014-2015 school year and thank Chris for her 25 years of service to the Germantown School District.
- Approve the resignation of Nicki Gruebling at the conclusion of the 2014-2015 school year and thank Nicki for her year of service to the Germantown School District, and approve posting the vacancy based on enrollment numbers.
- Accept the resignation of Lisa Woods and approve posting and filling the vacancy for the District School Nurse as soon as practicable.
- Approve the resignation of Tiffany Redner at the conclusion of the 2014-2015 school year and thank Tiffany for her year of service to the Germantown School District, and approve posting the vacancy based on enrollment numbers and certification needs.
- Motion carried.
26. Motion by Spies, second by Warnimont to approve the 2015-2016 teacher contracts and proposed salaries of \$40,000.00 for John Whitehead, \$61,087.72 for Jennifer Zimmerman and \$41,905.00 for Melissa Scott. Motion carried.
27. Motion by Larson, second by Spies to approve part-time 2015-2016 teacher contracts and proposed salaries of \$8,179.00 for Abdelaziz Ait El Hassouni, \$23,460.25 for Rhonda Aumueller, \$49,678.40 for Jonathan Brooks, \$29,856.60 for Lisa Cross, \$23,306.00 for Elizabeth Erhardt, \$41,334.00 for Lori Gerbitz, \$24,000.00 for Amanda Goetz, \$24,000.00 for Gayle Groth, \$23,355.25 for Cecile Grunert, \$35,200.00 for Stephanie Milmoie, and \$39,663.00 for Sandra Wiesolek. Motion carried.
28. Motion by Larson, second by Barney, to approve summer school contracts for Whitney Betanzos (68 hours), Peter Schwantes (23 hours), Andy Stone (90 hours), Beth Buettner (68 hours), Amy Willard (68 hours), and Gina Fricano (68 hours). Motion carried.
29. Motion by Larson, second by Spies to enter into closed session pursuant to Section 19.85(1)(a), Section 19.85(1)(c), and Section 19.85(1)(g). Roll call vote: Soderberg – yes, Medved – yes, Loth – yes, Warnimont – yes, Barney – yes, Spies – yes, Larson – yes. Motion carried.
30. The Board entered into closed session at 9:35 p.m. after a brief recess and did not return to open session, adjourning at 10:40 p.m.

Jayne Borst
Recording Secretary



Lester Spies
School Board Clerk