

**GERMANTOWN SCHOOL DISTRICT**  
**GERMANTOWN, WISCONSIN 53022**  
**MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION**  
**July 27, 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 7:00 p.m. District Administrator Jeff Holmes read the official meeting notification. Roll call: Soderberg – yes, Medved – yes, Warnimont – yes, Barney – yes, Larson - yes. Board member Spies arrived at 6:45 p.m. and Board member Loth was absent (excused).
2. Motion by Larson, second by Barney to approve the agenda. Motion carried.
3. School district resident Mary Jo Canham addressed the Board regarding class size options.
4. Motion by Larson, second by Medved to approve the July 6, 2015 Public Hearing minutes, the July 6, 2015 Board of Education minutes, the July 6, 2015 closed session minutes, and the July 15, 2015 Board meeting minutes with a correction to paragraph three. Motion carried.
5. Board President Soderberg and Superintendent Holmes introduced new Rockfield Elementary School Principal Dr. Dana Croatt.
6. Director of Pupil Services Sally Kellman provided a special education update.
7. Director of Human Resources Cynthia Coley announced school district employee Patricia Wichmann will retire in August having served in the district for 41 years.
8. Director of Teaching and Learning Brenda O'Brien updated the Board on future plans in 2016 to partner with UW-Milwaukee to develop summer opportunities for high school students to experience research that takes place at UW-Milwaukee.
9. Brenda O'Brien also updated the Board on changes that will take place for the 2016-2017 school year regarding honors course recommendations and placement.
10. Brenda O'Brien provided background on proposed implementation of Epiphany Learning in the district in the future to manage self-directed learning for students.
11. Positive recommendation from Insurance Committee to renew dental insurance coverage with Delta Dental for one year at 0% increase for 2015-2016. Motion carried.
12. Positive recommendation from Insurance Committee to renew vision insurance also with Delta Dental for two years with 0% increase for 2015-2017. Motion carried.
13. Insurance Committee Chair Tom Barney updated the Board on discussion that took place regarding health care coverage at the July 13 and July 20, 2015 committee meetings and indicated that a recommendation for health insurance renewal will be brought to the August 10, 2015 Board of Education meeting for action.
14. Positive recommendation from Building Committee to engage Constellation to supply gas to Kennedy Middle School and Germantown High School for 2015-2016. Motion carried.

15. Positive recommendation from Building Committee to approve the Village of Germantown Park and Recreation Department facilities use requests for 2015-2016.

Motion by Warnimont, second by Larson to amend the schedule to relocate the rain date location of the spring Easter egg hunt to Germantown High School. Motion carried.

Original motion as revised carried.

16. Building Committee Chair Bruce Warnimont updated the Board on remaining items discussed at the July 15, 2015 committee meeting including 2014-2015 roofing projects, asphalt repairs, and water bottle filling machines.
17. Acting Finance Committee Chair Tom Barney indicated the committee continued to discuss the 2015-2016 budget and that no recommendations were being brought forward at this time. Director of Business Ric Ericksen informed the Board that he will continue working on the budget and will have it ready for the August 10, 2015 meeting.
18. Tom Barney also informed the Board that no action will be taken regarding fund balance allocation to sub-accounts until the August 10, 2015 meeting as well.
19. Positive recommendation from Finance Committee to approve the purchase of Odyssey Software license renewals at a cost of \$10,125 for 2015-2016. Motion carried.
20. Tom Barney also informed the Board that the committee continued to discuss the Datka Stadium scoreboard and advertising revenue.
21. Motion by Warnimont, second by Barney to approve three sections at Amy Belle and MacArthur, four sections at County Line with the current exception of kindergarten, and two sections at Rockfield except for grades 3 and 5 which will have three sections for the 2015-2016 school year. Motion carried (Spies – no).
22. Motion by Larson, second by Spies to approve the overnight travel request for 130 high school band students and advisor Jonathan Bell to travel to Italy either December 26, 2016 to January 2, 2017 or December 28, 2016 to January 3, 2017. Motion carried.
23. Superintendent Holmes updated the Board on his follow up with the Department of Public Instruction regarding DPI's State Assessment letter received by the district. A meeting will need to be scheduled with DPI to explain how the district came to the decision regarding state testing and come to some kind of terms to maintain local control.
24. Motion by Spies, second by Barney to approve updates to Board Policies 0174.3, 1241, 1260, 2261, and 2440. Motion carried.
25. Motion by Spies, second by Medved to approve the gas card agreement for 2015-2016 to fulfill obligations under the McKinney-Vento Act. Motion carried.
26. Motion by Warnimont, second by Spies to table discussion on community engagement meetings until the August 10, 2015 Board of Education meeting. Motion carried.
27. Motion by Spies, second by Larson to approve the 2015-2016 Co-curricular Handbook. Motion carried.

28. Motion by Warnimont, second by Medved to approve the 2015-2016 Elementary Student Handbook. Motion carried.
29. Motion by Larson, second by Barney to approve 2015-2016 teacher contracts for Scott Schubert 1.0 FTE at \$46,000, Vincent Daniels 1.0 FTE at \$41,000, and Annette Williams .6 FTE at \$40,000. Motion carried.
30. Motion by Warnimont, second by Larson to accept the resignation of Vicky Wojtanowski effective July 30, 2015, thank her for her 12 years of service in the district, and approve filling the vacancy. Motion carried.
31. Motion by Warnimont, second by Larson to adjourn. Motion carried.
32. Board President Soderberg declared the meeting adjourned at 8:43 p.m.

Jayne Borst  
Recording Secretary

  
Lester Spies  
School Board Clerk