

MINUTES, BOWLER BOARD OF EDUCATION, April 15, 2013

Board approved 5-20-13

Call to order:

The meeting was called to order by Board Vice-President, Deb Roth at 6:00 p.m. It was certified that the meeting was given proper notice. Roll call was taken with the following board members present: Fuerst, Herzberg, Long, Martin, and Roth. Grosskopf arrived at 6:05 p.m. and Butterfield-Boldig at 6:42 p.m. Also present were Faith Gagnon, District Administrator; Kim Ninabuck, 7-12 Principal; Judy Munsey, Curriculum Director; Linda Brend, District Accountant, Elaine Lackowski, Vicky Jolitz, Ronnda Teuchert, Nicole Fuller, Ann Retzlaff Rigsby, Cindi Wautier, Don Bratz, Chris Fuller, Brittany Knueppel, Phillip Lang, Stephanie Brown, Crystal Brunner, Jane Schultz, Lori Mueller, Karen Edwards, and Kurt Strassburg.

Approval of agenda:

Motion by Long, seconded by Fuerst for approval of meeting agenda. Motion carried.

Approval of minutes of prior meetings:

Motion by Herzberg, seconded by Fuerst to approve the minutes of the February 18 and March 18 meetings. Motion carried.

Approval of payment of vouchers:

Motion by Fuerst, seconded by Long to approve vouchers 62014 through 62113 and seven manual checks. Motion carried.

Public Recognition:

Ms. Ann Retzlaff Rigsby addressed the Board regarding a letter she sent to each Board member and the District Administrator regarding Mrs. Munsey's removal from the elementary principal position.

Mr. Don Bratz had several concerns including the Dean of Students position, random drug testing, and report of a teacher's classroom not being cleaned since we now have an additional cleaning person.

Old Business:

Motion by Martin, seconded by Herzberg for approval of second readings of the following policies:

1. EBCD-Emergency Closing
2. ECA-Building and Grounds Security
3. JO-Student Records/Students Directory Information

Motion carried.

Motion by Long, seconded by Fuerst for approval to delete Policy ICAA-Cancelation of Scheduled Extra-Curricular Activities. Motion carried.

This policy has been combined with EBCD-Emergency Closing.

Committee Reports:

Policy Committee met on April 8th. They worked on the three policies which were approved for second reading. It was noted that they will continue on with the ten policies that are on the current committee agenda.

Deb Roth reported that she, Jeanne Long, Mike Igl, and Vicky Jolitz attended a conference titled "Alliance of a Healthier Generation" which focused on six components on school health improvement. A Wellness Committee will meet on May 8th at 7:00 p.m.

Mrs. Munsey reported that she applied for a grant to cover costs for fresh fruits and vegetables for students to snack on during the school day.

New Business:

The Oath of Office was recited by elected Board Members, John Fuerst, Robert Herzberg, and Jill Martin.

Motion by Fuerst, seconded by Martin to approve Elementary proposal for departmentalization for subject areas in Grades 3-6 for a two year test phase beginning with the 2013-2014 school year. Motion carried.

A group of elementary teachers provided a packet of information regarding the departmentalization proposal. After the two year plan, the program will be evaluated to determine whether or not to continue with it. Discussion followed.

Motion by Fuerst, seconded by Martin to deny parent request to set aside school district policy regarding students driving their own vehicles for FFA trip to Jag Lake. Motion carried.

Motion by Fuerst, seconded by Long for approval to contract with North Woods Studio for school pictures for 2013-2014 school year to include options for background color. All members voted yes except Martin voting no. Motion carried.

Motion by Fuerst, seconded by Herzberg for approval to accept proposal from Viking Electric to install new fluorescent light fixtures throughout the school at a cost not to exceed \$50,000 and to use QZAB funds for this purchase. Fuerst voted yes; Grosskopf, Herzberg, Long, Martin, Roth, and Butterfield-Boldig voted no. Motion failed.

After much discussion, it was decided to request bids for this project, which is according to district policy.

Motion by Roth, seconded by Grosskopf for approval of service agreement with Johnson Controls for 2013-2014 school year at a cost of \$12,036. All members voted yes except Martin voting no. Motion carried.

Motion by Long, seconded by Roth for approval to post Middle School Language Arts position. Motion carried.

Motion by Fuerst, seconded by Long for approval to hire Wade Turner for Dean of Students position for remainder of the 2012-2013 school year. Motion carried.

Motion by Long, seconded by Herzberg for approval to increase time for one paraprofessional from 50% to 73% to meet IEP requirements. Motion carried.

First reading of Policy KG-Use of Facilities, Grounds, and Equipment. Will need Policy Committee to revisit.

Discussion of preliminary 2013-2014 Budget. Mrs. Gagnon reported that she and Mrs. Brend have been crunching numbers. Mrs. Brend indicated that she has come up with a very preliminary budget with expenditures at \$5.8 million and revenues at \$5.6 million. She commented that Open Enrollment is costing the District \$594,000; \$6,500 per student. Mrs. Brend also cautioned the Board that the figures are very preliminary.

Administrative Reports:

Judy Munsey reported on grants and projects which she is working on.

Assistant 7-12 Principal, Kim Ninabuck's written report included the following:

- Dr. Patchins Cyberbullying and Internet Safety presentation
- Geography Bee
- Mr. Hahn's Business Math Students again win fifth year in a row
- PBIS
- High School Forensics
- Supermileage Vehicle Club going to first competition
- First preconference track meet

Superintendent, Faith Gagnon's written report included the following:

- End of year school calendar
- Meeting on the New Health Care Reform rules
- Title 1 Advisory Committee meeting
- Title 1 Coordinator's meeting
- Meeting with Stockbridge-Munsee Education Board
- Joint meeting with Tribal Officials
- Elementary playground concern
- 6th Grade rummage sale
- Elementary PBIS – looking ahead

Recommendations for future policy formulation:

Review policy on purchasing/bid policy; Title 1 – parent involvement.

Adjourn into closed session:

Motion by Long, seconded by Fuerst to adjourn into closed session pursuant to Section 19.85 (1) (c) and (f) of the Wisconsin State Statutes for considering employment, promotion, compensation or performance evaluation data of any public employee over which the governmental body has jurisdiction or exercises responsibility; and consideration of personal histories of specific persons which if discussed in public would be likely to have a substantial adverse effect upon the reputation of any person referred to in such histories or data.

- a. Discussion regarding teaching assignments for the 2013-2014 school year.

Roll call vote taken with all members voting yes. Motion carried. (8:08 p.m.)

Respectfully submitted: Elaine Lackowski, District Secretary

Reconvene into open session:

Motion by Herzberg, seconded by Roth to reconvene into open session. Roll call vote taken with all members voting yes. Motion carried.

Consider action deemed necessary as a result from closed session:

Motion by Roth, seconded by Herzberg to approve teaching contracts for the 2013-2014 school year by letter of intent at the current FTE of each teacher. Motion carried.

Adjourn:

Motion by Herzberg, seconded by Martin to adjourn. Motion carried. (8:55 p.m.)

Respectfully submitted: Jeanne Long, District Clerk