

MINUTES, BOWLER BOARD OF EDUCATION, April 28, 2014

Board approved 5-19-14

Call to order:

The meeting was called to order by Board 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, Miller, Schultz, Smith, and Roth. Grosskopf arrived at 6:01 p.m. Also present were Faith Gagnon, District Administrator; Kim Ninabuck, 7-12 Principal; Wade Turner, Elementary Principal; Linda Brend, District Accountant; Elaine Lackowski, Ronnda Teuchert, Kathleen Glenetske, Nicole Fuller, Vicky Jolitz, Amanda Burmeister, Alexandria Kuchinski, Brittany Knueppel, and Linda Bangert.

Approval of agenda:

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

Approval of minutes of prior meetings:

Motion by Herzberg, seconded by Miller to approve the minutes of the March 17. Motion carried.

Approval of payment of vouchers:

Motion by Fuerst, seconded by Schultz to approve vouchers 63468 through 63641 and seven manual checks. Motion carried.

Public Recognition:

None.

Old Business:

Motion by Fuerst, seconded by Smith for approval of second reading of Policy IKF-Graduation Requirements.

Amended motion by Fuerst, seconded by Smith for approval of second reading of Policy IKF-Graduation Requirements with change of wording from "total" to "minimum". Motion carried.

Committee Reports:

Deb Roth reported for Policy Committee saying that they have a long agenda of policies to review.

Deb also reported for the Wellness Committee which met and is in the process of formulating a new Wellness Policy. The next meeting is June 17.

New Business:

The Oath of Office was recited by Joe Miller, Jane Schultz, and Anne Smith who officially take office as school board members.

Representatives from Skyward presented a proposal regarding technology management and support services. Comparisons were made of costs between Camera Corner and Skyward and services provided. Camera Corner representatives presented their proposal to the Board in February and was approved at the March meeting. Lengthy discussion followed.

Motion by Smith, seconded by Fuerst for approval to purchase reading curriculum from Scott Foresman – Reading Street for Grades K-6 at a cost not to exceed \$50,000 which is within the District's current budget. Motion carried.

Reading Specialist, Linda Bangert, presented a power point presentation on Reading Street. She noted that it is a 2013 K-6 series. Several other curriculum series from other publishers were reviewed but the committee selected this particular one because it encompasses all components of reading including phonics, grammar, spelling, writing, and penmanship. Elementary teachers, Brittany Knueppel and Amanda Burmeister, and Elementary Principal, Wade Turner spoke in favor of the reading curriculum. Discussion followed.

Motion by Fuerst, seconded by Herzberg for approval to accept letter of retirement with regrets from Joyce Shest effective the end of the 2013-2014 school year and to post position. Motion carried.

Motion by Miller, seconded by Fuerst for approval to accept letter of retirement with regrets from Gloria Steinburg effective the end of the 2013-2014 school year and to post position. Motion carried.

Mr. Miller expressed his deep appreciation for Mrs. Steinburg's dedication to our students and for her years of service to the Bowler School District.

Motion by Herzberg, seconded by Fuerst to approve a 1% increase to the 2013-2014 wage and salary schedule for the professional staff. Motion carried.

Mr. Miller made a point of saying how important our teachers are and thanked them for their dedication. Mrs. Glenetske thanked him for his kind words. It was noted that extra-curricular salaries are still being looked at.

Motion by Grosskopf, seconded by Schultz to approve a .27/hour increase to the 2014-2015 wages for the support staff. Motion carried. Fuerst abstained from voting.

Motion by Herzberg, seconded by Fuerst for approval of teacher contracts for the 2014-2015 school year. Motion carried.

Mrs. Smith questioned if our physical education requirements are being met. It was noted that between Mrs. Siedschlag and Mr. Igl, these requirements are in place.

Motion by Fuerst, seconded by Grosskopf for approval of a 3-year service agreement with Johnson Controls. Motion carried.

Johnson Controls performs preventative maintenance on HVAC units. The cost for the 2014-2015 school year is \$12,396. There is a slight increase for the two following years.

Motion by Fuerst, seconded by Grosskopf to approve contract with Student Assurance Services, Inc., for student liability insurance for the 2014-2015 school year. Motion carried.

Motion by Miller, seconded by Smith for approval to appoint Jerry Grosskopf as Board of Education representative as the CESA 8 delegate for Annual Convention. Motion carried. Grosskopf abstained from voting.

Motion by Herzberg, seconded by Fuerst for approval to set May 30, 2014 graduation start time at 7:30 p.m. Motion carried.

The change in the start time is due to a conflict with the sectional track meet on the same day. Graduates and band members need to have more time to return to school.

Administrative Reports:

At this time, Deb Roth asked the Board to waive the requirement for Public Recognition and to allow Roberta Moede Carrington to speak. The Board agreed. Roberta asked to speak regarding a HS teacher. She was informed by Mrs. Roth that she needed to go through the proper channels before coming to the Board. Roberta agreed to follow the proper channels.

Mr. Turner, Elementary Principal's report included:

- Science assembly
- Family Nights
- Nutrition classes for Grades K-4
- Farm Safety assembly
- Dad's day breakfast
- RtI Conference
- Tornado Drill
- 6th Grade rummage sale
- Spring concert and art show
- Pow wow
- Summer school

Mrs. Ninabuck's report included:

- UW Green Bay program honoring three high school students
- New credit requirements for graduation
- FICB (Finance Investment Challenge Bowl) students going onto state level
- Internet Safety
- Science department meeting
- Booster Club meeting
- NTC Career Fair
- Honor Roll
- National Honor Society blood drive
- Super Mileage Vehicle Club trophies
- Senior class request for board representation at graduation – John Fuerst and Joe Miller
- Upcoming events/dates

Mrs. Gagnon's report included:

- Elementary boiler installation
- Exploring options on a new audio and visual system for high school gym
- M3 insurance training focusing on Health Care Reform in 2014
- FFA Banquet
- Conferences
- Special acknowledgement to kitchen staff
- Family Night at Mohican Family Center
- As of now no need to make up any hours/days due to snow days
- Recent legislation regarding repeal of 180 day requirement
- Elementary enrollment numbers have increased
- Facility Use Policy and legal opinion
- Special acknowledgement to Elementary Guidance Counselor who will also address the Board next month

A date of May 6 at 8:30 a.m. was set for a Building and Grounds Committee meeting.

Recommendations for future policy formulation:

The next Policy Committee meeting will be on June 9 at 1:00 p.m. Will continue with current agenda.

Adjourn:

Motion by Miller, seconded by Schultz to adjourn. Motion carried. (8:06 p.m.)

Respectfully submitted:

Elaine Lackowski, District Secretary