

SPARTA AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT  
Sparta, WI 54656

Board of Education Meeting Minutes  
July 25, 2016  
Administrative & Educational Center

Board Members Present: Mr. Lee Culpitt, Mr. Gary Kirking, Mr. James Rasmussen, Ms. Bambi Schmitz, Ms. Mary Treu, and Ms. Karen Wall. Mrs. Joan Cook was absent.

The meeting was called to order by president, Mr. Culpitt, at 7:00 p.m. The meeting had been noticed to Evans Print & Media Group, WCOV Radio, Magnum Radio, La Crosse Tribune, Sparta City Hall and Sparta Free Library. A motion was made by Ms. Wall, seconded by Ms. Treu, to adopt the agenda omitting the Grants Report which will be presented at the August meeting. Motion carried, 6-0, 1 absent.

Mr. Toby Oswald provided the year end Innovations STEM Academy Report. Mr. Sam Russ provided the year-end Sparta High School Report. A motion was made by Mr. Rasmussen, seconded by Ms. Schmitz, to accept the two year-end reports as presented. Motion carried, 6-0, 1 absent.

Mr. Bob Sanders presented the Spring Sports Report.

A motion was made by Mr. Culpitt, seconded by Ms. Wall to approve the following items under consent:

- approve the minutes of the Board of Education meetings held on June 28, 2016 and July 14, 2016.
- approve the bills as presented for the period June 24, 2016 – July 21, 2016 in the amount of \$2,746,384.34.
- Employment Issues

**Employment**

Dennis Mantzke – Custodian I Level I Meadowview	Monday-Thursday/Saturday		
	Shift differential	Effective July 25, 2016	Prorated
			\$31,803.20
Jenelle Becker – Custodian I Level I Meadowview	Shift Differential	Effective August 1, 2016	
		Prorated	\$31,925.52
Donna Kelley – Custodian I Level I Meadowview	Shift Differential	Effective August 22, 2016	
		Prorated	\$31,925.52
Jessica Ebert – Educational Assistant – Montessori E2	7.5 hrs/day	Level I	\$19,411.13
Catherine Vieth – Custodian I Level I Meadowview	Shift Differential	Effective August 15, 2016	
		Prorated	\$31,925.52
Samantha Jensen – Secretary I – Activities Director	Level I	6.5 hrs/day	\$14.29/hr
	Effective August 1, 2016		\$17,183.73

**Resignations**

Cheri Zahasky – High School Newsletter Advisor pending suitable replacement

Lisa Schell – Volleyball Grade 8 Coach pending suitable replacement

Roll call vote: Mrs. Cook-absent, Mr. Culpitt-aye, Mr. Kirking-aye, Mr. Rasmussen-aye, Ms. Schmitz-aye, Ms. Treu-aye, and Ms. Wall-aye. Motion carried, 6-0, 1 absent.

A motion was made by Mr. Kirking, seconded by Ms. Wall, to approve the consulting contract for natural gas procurement pending review by an attorney. Roll call vote: Mr. Culpitt-no, Mr. Kirking-aye, Mr. Rasmussen-aye, Ms. Schmitz-aye, Ms. Treu-aye, Ms. Wall-aye, and Mrs. Cook-absent. Motion carried, 5-1, 1 absent.

A motion was made by Mr. Kirking, seconded by Mr. Rasmussen, to approve the purchase of a dump truck and snow plow truck from Dahl Automotive in the amount of \$60,300.00. Roll call vote: Mr. Kirking-aye, Mr. Rasmussen-aye, Ms. Schmitz-aye, Ms. Treu-aye, Ms. Wall-aye, Mrs. Cook-absent, and Mr. Culpitt-aye. Motion carried, 6-0, 1 absent.

A motion was made by Ms. Treu, seconded by Mr. Rasmussen, to approve the installation of epoxy flooring at Southside and Lawrence-Lawson Elementary Schools by Floors Forever in the amount of \$26,000.00. Motion carried, 6-0, 1 absent.

A motion was made by Mr. Rasmussen, seconded by Ms. Treu, to approve a \$.05/meal increase on paid breakfast and lunch meals provided for students and adults for the 2016-2017 school year. Motion carried, 6-0, 1 absent.

A motion was made by Mr. Kirking, seconded by Ms. Treu, to approve a resolution to remove the fund balance commitment on funds not expended on previous projects in the amount of \$85,822.49 Roll call vote: Mr. Rasmussen-aye, Ms. Schmitz-aye, Ms. Treu-aye, Ms. Wall – aye, Mrs. Cook-absent, Mr. Culpitt-aye, and Mr. Kirking-aye. Motion carried, 6-0, 1 absent.

A motion was made by Mr. Rasmussen, seconded by Ms. Treu, to approve an additional football coach due to the number of participants. Motion carried, 6-0, 1 absent.

A motion was made by Mr. Kirking, seconded by Ms. Treu, to approve the following changes to Board Policy as presented:

- a. Revision of Article 516 – Student Transportation
- b. Revision of Article 334 – Keys and Building Access
- c. Revision of Article 338 – Identification Badges
- d. New Article 820 – Use of Inflatables

Motion carried, 6-0, 1 absent.

A motion was made by Ms. Wall, seconded by Ms. Schmitz, to approve the increase in cook hours at Meadowview as presented. Motion carried, 6-0, 1 absent.

A motion was made by Mr. Rasmussen, seconded by Ms. Wall, to approve revision to Board Policy Article 612 – Public Notice-Directory and Yearbook Information. Motion carried, 6-0, 1 absent.

A motion was made by Ms. Wall, seconded by Ms. Schmitz, to adopt and notify parents of the Student Academic Standards as presented. Motion carried, 6-0, 1 absent.

A motion was made by Ms. Wall, seconded by Ms. Schmitz, to approve the revision to Board Policy Article 356 – Compensation for Substitute Teachers . Motion carried, 6-0, 1 absent.

A motion was made by Ms. Schmitz, seconded by Ms. Wall, to approve the Meadowview Intermediate Student Handbook as presented. Motion carried, 6-0, 1 absent.

A motion was made by Mr. Rasmussen, seconded by Mr. Kirking, to approve revisions to the Employee Handbook as presented. Roll call vote: Ms. Schmitz-aye, Ms. Treu-abstain, Ms. Wall –aye, Mrs. Cook-absent, Mr. Culpitt-abstain, Mr. Kirking-aye, and Mr. Rasmussen-aye. Motion carried, 4-0, 2 abstain, 1 absent.

A motion was made by Ms. Wall, seconded by Mr. Kirking, to approve a proposal to form a committee to develop a long range plan to address the District's projected growth and facility space needs. It was suggested that a representative with facility management background and a representative from Fort McCoy be among the membership of this committee. Motion carried, 6-0, 1 absent.

A motion was made by Ms. Wall, seconded by Ms. Treu, to approve grants/donations as presented. Motion carried, 6-0, 1 absent.

The following meeting schedule was determined:

August 9, 2016 Finance & Facilities Committee AEC Conference Center 5:30 p.m.

August 9, 2016 Personnel & Educational Initiatives Committee AEC Conference Center 7:00 p.m.

August 23, 2016 Budget Hearing and Annual Meeting AEC Conference Center 7:00 p.m.

August 23, 2016 Regular Monthly Board of Education Meeting AEC Conference Center Immediately following Annual Meeting

September 13, 2016 Finance & Facilities Committee AEC Conference Center 5:30 p.m.

September 13, 2016 Personnel & Educational Initiatives Committee AEC Conference Center 7:00 p.m.

September 28, 2016 Regular Monthly Board of Education Meeting AEC Conference Center 7:00 p.m.

A copy of the letter informing staff of the additional TSA contribution for 2015-16 will be provided to the Board.

At 8:25 p.m., a motion was made by Ms. Wall, seconded by Ms. Treu, to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried, 6-0, 1 absent.

Signed \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_