

La Crosse USD 395
Special Board Meeting
Wednesday, April 19, 2023
6:00pm

The board of education held a special meeting on Wednesday, April 19, 2023 at 6:00pm. Members present: Curtis Randa, Sandy Showalter, Glenn Herrman, Brian Baalman, Harland Werth, and John Irvin. Also present: Superintendent Keeley, Principal Webster, Helen Showalter and Sarah Sipe.

President Irvin opened the meeting at 6:00 pm by reading the Special Meeting Notice – This special meeting of the Board of Education of La Crosse USD No. 395 is being held to have discussion with Landmark Architect and discuss a new Reading Curriculum.

Aaron McGaughey arrived at 6:08pm.

Sarah Sipe with Landmark Architects presented the board with information concerning the Construction Manager at-Risk (CMAR) selection process. Discussion was held concerning the 4 firms that had submitted RFQ's and the board agreed to move forward with requesting RFP's from all 4 firms. An approximate project construction amount was discussed and a \$10,500,000.00 estimated amount was agreed upon to include with the RFP project form. A special meeting, with a date of May 18, 2023 at 6:00pm was agreed upon to conduct the interviewing process. Due to available space needed to conduct the interviews, substitute locations were discussed. Sarah Sipe left the meeting at 6:55pm.

Reading Curriculum – Mr. Keeley presented new reading curriculum of Open Court and Saavas programs for the elementary level. Detailed options were presented for Open Court on 1, 3, and 6 year quotes. Saavas program was also presented at a 6-year quote. Discussion was held concerning the curriculum cost and options. Mr. Keeley informed the board that he had been in touch with an anonymous donor that had agreed to contribute a portion of the cost of the reading curriculum. Glenn Herrman made a motion to approve the 6- year Open Court Reading Curriculum for \$40,747.82 and the 6- year Saavas Reading Curriculum for \$10,224.42. Seconded by Aaron McGaughey. Motion passed 7-0.

The board requested a very special Thank you to be given to the donor for the generous donation to our school and students.

Meeting adjourned at 7:22 pm

Board President

Deputy Board Clerk