

La Crosse USD 395
Regular Board Meeting
Monday, June 17, 2024
6:30am

The board of education held the regular monthly meeting on Monday, June 17, 2024 at 6:32am. Members present: John Irvin, Harland Werth, Aaron McGaughey, Glenn Herrman, Curtis Randa and Sandy Showalter. Superintendent Bill Keeley and Principal Jon Webster were in attendance. Also in attendance was Brook Maier.

Aaron McGaughey made the motion to approve the printed agenda with the addition of Q Band Saw and Curtis Randa seconded the motion. Motion approved 6-0

Glenn Herrman moved, seconded by Sandy Showalter to approve by consent items in the agenda listed as A & B. Motion approved 6-0.

FFA National Convention

Brook Maier informed the board that the FFA National Convention is October 23-26, 2024 in Indianapolis. She would like to take 5 students and requesting the use of one of the school suburban's. Sandy Showalter made the motion to approve the trip to the convention and authorize the use of the school suburban and purchase fuel. Harland Werth seconded the motion. Motion approved 6-0

Band Saw

Brook Maier is also requesting the board to consider the purchase of a new band saw for the shop. She has presented three options. After some discussion the board has asked her to look into some other recommendations and to check into any school discounts that might available.

Handbook Update

Board Clerk has recommended an addition to the Classified Handbook concerning the sick leave policy. The policy addition would allow any unused accumulated sick leave to be paid out at retirement for classified staff that have been employed by the district for 10 or more years. Recommendations by board members were to research the change further with more clarification and to be discussed again at another meeting.

KASB Works Comp Agreement

Sandy Showalter made the motion to approve the KASB Workers Compensation Agreement with KASB as presented. Curtis Randa seconded the motion. Motion approved 6-0

Negotiated Agreement

Glenn Herrman made the motion the board go into executive session from 6:56am until 7:06am to discuss negotiations pursuant to the exception for employer-employee negotiations under KOMA. Seconded by Curtis Randa This executive session is being held to protect the district's right to the confidentiality of its negotiating position, and the public interest. The open meeting will resume at 7:07am. Motion carried 6-0.

No action was taken.

High School Construction Update

In discussion with Sid Wiens, Board President John Irvin informed the board that many trees at the current high school location will need to be removed. Two proposals have been presented to Mr. Keeley and Mr. Irvin and the recommendation was made to check for a certificate of liability insurance from the tree removal companies.

Gym Building Approval

John Irvin also informed the board that Sid Wiens will be requesting approval from the board to choose the design and materials of the new gym building. This is to allow time for the materials to arrive on time. Sid should be available at the next board meeting to present the options.

High School HVAC Approval

Glenn Herrman made the motion to approve additional design fees from Landmark Architects and Curtis Randa seconded the motion. Motion approved 6-0. The board also directed Mr. Keeley to look into a Lease Purchase Option for a boiler replacement and new construction.

Contract Approval

Curtis Randa made the motion to hire Erin Jeffreys for the Business Teacher position. Aaron McGaughey seconded the motion. Motion approved 6-0.

Curtis Randa and Aaron McGaughey left the meeting at 7:35am.

GBT IT Service Approval

Sandy Showalter made the motion to approve the GBT IT Service Proposal of \$13,500 for 150 hours and Glenn Herrman seconded it. Motion approved 4-0.

Curtis Randa and Aaron McGaughey returned to the meeting at 7:36am.

District Treasurer Position

Glenn Herrman made the motion to approve Helen Showalter as the District Treasurer. Harland Werth seconded the motion. Motion passed 6-0

Year End Transfers

Glenn Herrman moved, seconded by Aaron McGaughey to authorize transferring the remaining General Fund cash to specific secondary funds in order to remit the least amount possible back to the State, with possible funds where transfers may occur being: Capital Outlay, Drivers Education, Inservice, Special Education, Contingency Reserve, and Food Service with an additional \$115,000.00 non-Federal funds transferred to the School Food Service Fund due to a low paid meal price, and others and allowing the financial auditors to correct and amend any funds approved by law. Motion carried 6-0

Adopt 2024-2025 Board Meetings

Curtis Randa made the motion to approve the calendar as presented with the addition of a regular meeting on July 1st at 7:00pm and an already scheduled regular meeting on July 15th at 7:00pm. Also changing the meeting times from 6:00pm to 7:00pm, excluding the June 2025 meeting. Harland Werth seconded the motion. Motion approved 6-0

School Rates & Fees

Glenn Herrman made the motion to approve the 24-25 School Rates & Fees as amended and Harland Werth seconded the motion. Motion approved 6-0

June Policies

First reading of the June 2024 policies.

Reports

Mr. Webster gave his report as presented and also discussed the wind damage of a tree located in the front of the high school.

Personnel

Glenn Herrman made the motion for the board to go into executive session from 8:13am. until 8:18am. to discuss personnel pursuant to non-elected personnel exception under KOMA and to include Mr. Keeley and Mr. Webster. Seconded by Sandy Showalter. This executive session is being held to protect the individual(s) right to privacy. The open meeting will resume at 8:19am. Motion carried 6-0.

No action was taken

Financial

Aaron McGaughey made the motion the board go into executive session from 8:23am until 8:33am to discuss financial affairs and contracts pursuant to the exception for data relating to financial affairs or trade secrets of corporations, partnerships, trusts, and individual proprietorships under KOMA and to include administration and board clerk. Motion was seconded by John Irvin. This executive session is being held to protect the district's financial interest and bargaining position. The open meeting will resume at 8:34am

No action was taken.

Upcoming meetings are scheduled for July 1, 2024 at 7:00pm and July 15, 2024 at 7:00pm.

Meeting adjourned at 8:34am

John Irvin

BOARD PRESIDENT

Jessica Dellett

BOARD CLERK