

Chequamegon School District
Regular Board of Education Meeting
July 26, 2016

The regular meeting of the Board of Education of the Chequamegon School District (CSD) was held on July 26, 2016, at 6:00 p.m., in the Park Falls Campus High School Library, 400 North 9th Street, Park Falls, WI 54552.

1. Call Meeting to Order by Vice President of the Board, Karen Thorp.
2. Pledge of Allegiance recited by those in attendance.
3. Roll Call and Quorum. Present: Karen Thorp, Lois Freeland, Dick Ross, Dave Schmidt, Matt Brenholt, Tyler Stroud, Doug Rein, Victor Ambrose. Absent: Jim Wilson. Also present: David Anderson, Tim Kief, Kacey Hanson, Marilyn Brink, Kriste Simonson, Lexi Witt, Pam Steger, Mark Donner, Peg Zaemisch, and Don Preisler.
4. Motion by Schmidt/Rein to approve the agenda as posted. Voice vote: yes (8), no (0). Motion carried.
5. Motion by Rein/Ambrose to approve minutes of Regular Meeting June 28, and Special Meetings July 11 and July 13. Voice vote: yes (8), no (0). Motion carried.
6. Motion by Ambrose/Freeland to approve accounts payable of \$408,756.92 and payroll of \$221,736.67. Voice vote: yes (8), no (0). Motion carried.
7. Reports. a. Administrators. In place of written report, Marilyn Brink was introduced to the complete Board. Others as written reports. Ross questioned Anderson regarding status of installation of the LP tank for the new buses – Waiting for inspection certification before continuing. Ross also questioned Kief regarding Professional Development and review of curriculum- Programming Committee to meet to review plans, Code of Conduct, and Laude System. Anderson added the Strategic Planning Survey is on the Website with one response already. b. Financial Manager. Rein’s question regarding financial sources led Witt to give a brief explanation of school resources as related to governmental funding and property taxes. c. Committees. Personnel-Ross, see agenda items 11c & 11d. Finance-Ross, see agenda item 11b. d. CESA #12 Board of Control. Schmidt reported CESA will hold to their standard miles for membership travel although detours due to road repair are actually longer. Due to road damage the ITV room was used for a meeting being held in Ashland. Those discussions were about the cuts in state aid and state report cards of schools will change. Excellent use of our technology. Ambrose suggested this could be used for board member professional development, too. e. WASB. Schmidt – Regional Meeting and Workshop date changed to November 3rd.
8. Communications. Anderson—Educational Tours Inc. sent a note of Congratulations for the excellent student behavior of the Band traveling to Disney World.
9. Comments from the Floor. Schmidt introduced Don Preisler who talked about the poor condition of the tennis courts at the Athletic Complex. He suggested he would help to update them for student and community use if tennis is in the curriculum. He noted the USTA has a grant program which he would apply for to defer half the cost. He also mentioned a new sport “Pickle Ball” is played on tennis courts too. We do have the equipment and teach that sport in our gyms. May be added to Operations and Programming Committees agendas for next month.
10. Unfinished Business. None.
11. New Business. a. Amended 2015-2016 Budget. Motion by Schmidt/Ross to accept the budget as presented in L.Witt’s written report dated July 20, 2016. Voice vote: yes (8), no (0). Motion carried. b. Milk and Bread Bids. Motion by Rein/Stroud to accept Finance Committee recommendation of Up North Foodservice LLC

for milk and Bimbo Bakeries USA for bread. Voice vote: yes (8), no (0). Motion carried. c. Employee Handbook Revisions. Motion by Schmidt/Stroud to approve revisions as described in related D.Anderson's email to the board dated July 26, 2016. Ambrose questioned availability of revised documents. Anderson replied once updated, they will be available online. Rein abstained from the vote citing possible conflict of interest. Voice vote: yes (7), no (0). Motion carried. d. Request for Additional Paraeducator at Glidden Campus. Motion by Schmidt/Rein to accept Personnel Committee recommendation as presented by Schmidt. Ross asked if a student's IEP changes during the school year. Simonson answered that they are routinely reviewed for progress. Voice vote: yes (8), no (0). Motion carried. e. Personnel Recommendation: Special Education Teacher. (Citing possible conflict of interest, Doug Rein left the room at 6:45 pm before this item was brought to table.) Motion by Brenholt/Ambrose to accept recommendation to hire Diana Rein as Special Education Teacher at the Glidden Campus as described in D.Anderson's email to the board dated July 26, 2016. Ambrose questioned retirement status of Rein. Anderson replied Diana has decided not to take state retirement pension payments as yet. Voice vote: yes (7), no (0). Motion carried. f. District Academic Standards. Motion by Freeland/Rein to accept Standards as described in D.Anderson's email to the board dated July 26, 2016. Ross questioned if the NextGen Science Standards are more rigorous than common core science. Started discussion regarding standards that are Content Driven vs Higher-Level Thinking. Programming Committee to review standards in general before next year. Motion carried. g. Update and Discussion of Strategic Planning Process. Information and open discussion only. Survey is up on the web page. It will be direct mailed to all mailboxes in the district. Paper copy may be obtained/dropped off at several sites in Glidden and Park Falls. A business card will carry QR code to send inquiry to district website where they can take the survey. Summary of the survey will be available for assessment by the Sept 26th meeting.

12. Next meeting August 23, 2016, 6:00 p.m., at Glidden Campus.
13. August Manifest Audit, David Schmidt.
14. Motion Ross/Schmidt to adjourn. 7:20 pm. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Lois Freeland, Board Clerk