

**School District of Green Lake
Minutes of the Board of Education
Organizational and Regular Meeting**

April 28, 2010

The organizational/regular meeting of the Board of Education was held Wednesday, April 28, 2010, in the school library. The meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m. by President, Amy Piphon.

Notice of this meeting was given to the Oshkosh Northwestern, the Fond du Lac Reporter, the Ripon Commonwealth Press, the Green Lake Reporter and Radio WRPN. In addition, notices of the meeting were posted in the display case of the school, at the Green Lake State Bank, the Green Lake Post Office, the First National Bank of Berlin-Green Lake Branch and on Laker Vision Channel 98.

Roll Call:

Present – Wendy Schultz, Gordon Farrell, Amy Piphon, Harley Reabe, Dennis Deyo, Meade Grim, Sydney Rouse

Also present –Ken Bates, District Administrator, Mary Allen, Principal, Board Secretary, Shelley Eilbes, members of the press, community and staff.

Board Organization

ELECTION OF OFFICERS:

Nomination by Dennis Deyo for Amy Piphon as President of the Board of Education, seconded by Harley Reabe. Motion by Sydney Rouse to close nominations and cast a unanimous ballot to elect Amy Piphon as President of the Board of Education, seconded by Dennis Deyo. All ayes, motion carried 7 – 0.

Nomination by Meade Grim for Gordy Farrell as Vice President of the Board of Education, seconded by Wendy Schultz. Motion by Dennis Deyo to close nominations and cast a unanimous ballot to elect Gordy Farrell as Vice President of the Board of Education, seconded by Sydney Rouse. All ayes, motion carried 7 – 0.

Nomination by Meade Grim for Wendy Schultz as Clerk of the Board of Education, seconded by Gordy Farrell. Motion by Gordy Farrell to close nominations and cast a unanimous ballot to elect Wendy Schultz as Secretary of the Board of Education, seconded by Meade Grim. All ayes, motion carried 7 – 0.

Nomination by Gordy Farrell for Meade Grim as Treasurer of the Board of Education, seconded by Dennis Deyo. Motion by Harley Reabe to close nominations and cast a unanimous ballot to elect Meade Grim as Treasurer of the Board of Education, seconded by Dennis Deyo. All ayes, motion carried 7 – 0.

Nomination by Dennis Deyo for Sydney Rouse as Deputy Clerk of the Board of Education, seconded by Meade Grim. Motion by Wendy Schultz to close nominations and cast a unanimous ballot to elect Sydney Rouse as Deputy Clerk of the Board of Education, seconded by Gordy Farrell. All ayes, motion carried 7 – 0.

Motion by Wendy Schultz, seconded by Meade Grim to appoint Shelley Eilbes as Secretary of the Board of Education. Motion by Dennis Deyo to close nominations and cast a

unanimous ballot to appoint Shelley Eilbes as Secretary of the Board of Education, seconded by Gordy Farrell. All ayes, motion carried 7 – 0.

BONDING OF OFFICERS:

Motion by Meade Grim, seconded by Dennis Deyo that no other security other than the signed Oath of Office be required of the School Board Treasurer, Clerk, and Deputy Clerk at this time. However, if circumstances change, this policy may be changed pursuant to Section 120.13(23) of the State Statutes. Motion carried 7-0.

DESIGNATE OFFICIAL DEPOSITORIES FOR SCHOOL DISTRICT FUNDS:

Motion by Meade Grim, seconded by Harley Reabe, that the Green Lake Bank (Green Lake Bank, a branch of The Baraboo National Bank), the First National Bank in Green Lake, the Wisconsin Investment Series Cooperative, the Local Government Investment Pool, and Bank One, Wisconsin, be designated as official depositories for the funds of the School District of Green Lake. Additional depositories may be designated later as needed in accordance with Section 120.12(7) of the State Statutes. Motion carried 7-0.

PUBLICATION OF NOTICES:

Motion by Meade Grim, seconded by Harley Reabe that for the purpose of publication as required in the State Statutes, the Green Lake Reporter shall be the newspaper used by the Board. Board minutes, the proposed annual budget, and other such items permitted by State Statute shall be published. Further, the Board shall continue the policy of posting meeting notices at the school entrance, the Green Lake Post Office, the Green Lake Bank (Green Lake Bank, a branch of the Baraboo National Bank), and the First National Bank of Berlin, Green Lake Branch. An abbreviated list of agenda items should continue to be posted on Lake Vision 98, the school district's local access TV channel. In addition, the Fond du Lac Reporter, Ripon Commonwealth-Press, and Oshkosh Northwestern newspapers, and radio station WRPN will be notified of school district meetings by the school district office. Motion carried 7-0.

MEETING DATES:

Motion by Sydney Rouse, seconded by Dennis Deyo that the Board of Education regular monthly meetings be set for the fourth Wednesday of each month at the school, which is located at 612 Mill Street, Green Lake, Wisconsin. The time of the meeting will be 7:00 p.m. The date and time may be changed by the Board of Education for special needs or circumstances. If changes occur, the notices will be posted in accordance with Board Policy and State Statutes. Motion carried 7-0.

BOARD RETREAT DATE:

Motion by Wendy Schultz, seconded by Meade Grim to hold the board retreat in June. Date for the retreat will be confirmed at the May 19, 2010 Board Meeting and the retreat will be at 6:00 p.m. in the Office Conference Room. Motion carried 7 – 0.

ESTABLISH BOARD COMMITTEE MEMBERSHIP:

Following discussion, Committee Appointments were set as follows:

Policy Committee: Wendy Schultz, Amy Piphon, Dennis Deyo.

Finance Committee: Dennis Deyo, Sydney Rouse, Meade Grim.

Negotiations Committee: Gordy Farrell, Wendy Schultz, Meade Grim.

Buildings & Grounds Committee: Gordy Farrell, Harley Reabe, Sydney Rouse.

CESA 6 Representative: Dennis Deyo, Alternate – Wendy Schultz.

Activity Council Representative – Harley Reabe.

Technology Committee Representative – Sydney Rouse.

Activities Committee – Gordy Farrell, Meade Grim.

Caestecker Scholarship Representative: Dennis Deyo will fulfill the 2009-2010 School Year and Amy Piphon will be fulfilling the 2010-2011 School Year.

WASB Representative: Meade Grim (alternate, Gordy Farrell)

Wellness Representative – Wendy Schultz.

President Amy Piphon led all persons in attendance in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Consent Agenda

Motion by Wendy Schultz, seconded by Sydney Rouse to approve the Board Meeting Agenda and Consent Agenda items, minutes of the March 24, 2010 regular meeting and closed session, Approval of April Invoices to be paid and Approval of the March Cash Statement. Table Discussion/Informational Item (c) E4E Report and Action Item (f) Consider Band Trip Request to Washington DC. All ayes. Motion carried 7-0.

Adjournment to Closed Session

Motion by Wendy Schultz, second by Dennis Deyo, to convene in closed session at 6:55 pm reserving the right to reconvene in open session to take action on any or all items discussed in closed session, pursuant to Wisconsin Statute Sec. 19.85 (1) (c) for the purpose of considering, and deliberating, regarding employment, promotion, compensation or performance evaluation data of public employees for staffing purposes for the 2010-2011 school year. Roll call vote Reabe – Yes, Schultz – Yes, Rouse – Yes, Farrell – Yes, Deyo – Yes, Grim – Yes, Piphon - Yes. Motion carried 7-0.

Motion by Harley Reabe, seconded by Meade Grim to Reconvene into open session at 7:43 pm. No action was taken. After a brief break the meeting reconvened in the Library Media Center at 7:50 pm.

Respectfully submitted by
Wendy Schultz, Board Clerk

Community Connection

RECOGNITION OF BAND

Jon Roti announced that the Green Lake Band has been selected to participate in the July 4, 2011 National Parade in Washington DC. Further selection procedures will be forthcoming and formal notice will be given in February 2011.

PUBLIC COMMENTS ON AGENDA/NON-AGENDA ITEMS

Celeste King thanked the Board for the hard work done on the Referendum. Would also like the Board to continue working on IB informational meetings. Polly Manske expressed concerns regarding the failed referendum and that the Board has financial responsibilities and a civic responsibility to provide a quality education to the students. Randy Schaefer commented on the budget process and that the board owes the community input on the budget. The Board should also go through the budget line item by line item and it should be transparent as to what is all included in the budget figures. Jen Kaiser spoke to the Board regarding their decision to relocate to Green Lake based upon the strong school programs and the dedication to the IB curriculum. Those Board members who do not support the IB program need to not let that affect the decisions on the curriculum. Candi Renwall commented on the Lake Property owners who were not born and raised in Green Lake that in fact they do care about the school. She also commented on the out of control tax increases and has done research on the School Funding Formula. The district should look at a consortium for sharing employees with other districts. Janet Reabe addressed the Board about the success of the 4K Systematic Phonics Program. Also suggested that the core solid subjects be taught without the IB curriculum. Jon Roti addressed the Board regarding the need to look at forming a Joint School District with Markesan and that all avenues need to be kept open for consolidation.

Discussion/Informational Items

STUDENT COUNCIL REPORT:

Those students who attended the Student Government Trip provided a power point to the Board and audience review the highlights of their trip.

PRINCIPAL'S SCHOOL REPORT: STATEWIDE TORNADO DRILL; GOVERNMENT TRIP:

Principal Mary Allen reported on the Tornado Drill and that some safety issues will be addressed to find the most secure area for the students. The CESA #10 Safety Coordinator will do a building assessment with regard to these issues.

E4E REPORT:

Tabled.

GOALS UPDATE: INTERNATIONAL BACCALAUREATE MIDDLE YEAR PROGRAMME AUTHORIZATION VISIT; WKCE:

Mary Hunter, MYP Coordinator, reviewed the Authorization visit with the Board. She also passed out a binder of information that was gathered by the School for the authorization team. The District received positive feedback and notification will be given by 7/1/10 if the District is accepted. Principal Mary Allen discussed the WKCE test results and that they are a benchmark used for comparisons. The District has implemented the MAPS testing to further develop areas of individual student weakness and provide assistance in those areas. Mrs. Allen also

addressed Janet Reabe's concern about phonics in that the district has implemented reading remediation.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT: INTERNATIONAL

BACCALAUREATE STATE MEETING; 25 X 25 MEETING:
Ken Bates updated the Board on the State IB Meeting that was hosted by Green Lake School District. The District is also participating in the 25 X 25 Grant Program with the County. Purpose is to brainstorm ideas to reduce energy and produce 25% of energy needed by renewable sources by the year 2025.

WELLNESS COMMITTEE REPORT ON MEETING HELD ON APRIL 13, 2010:

Ken Bates updated the Board on the meeting. The committee is developing a wellness plan for approval.

BUILDINGS & GROUNDS COMMITTEE REPORT ON MEETING HELD ON APRIL 13, 2010:

Gordy Farrell updated the Board on the meeting and gave a progress report on the energy project. The roofing report is completed and will be reviewed at the next meeting. The athletic field lease is being revised to address the concerns regarding garbage disposal and insurance issues.

POLICY COMMITTEE REPORT ON MEETING HELD ON APRIL 14, 2010:

Wendy Schultz updated the Board on the progress of the committee on updating the District Policies.

ACTIVITIES COMMITTEE REPORT ON MEETING HELD ON APRIL 14, 2010

Mary Allen addressed the Board about two revisions needed to the Activities Policy per information received from the WIAA.

REPORT ON NATIONAL SCHOOL BOARD ASSOCIATION CONVENTION

Wendy Schultz shared her experience and meeting attendances with the Board. Ken Bates also shared his attendance at the Convention with the Board.

HEAD COOK UPDATE:

The position has been offered to the candidate and we are just waiting for word back on the acceptance. Ken Bates will provide the Board with the candidate's name at the May meeting.

Action Items

CONSIDER REVISIONS TO ACTIVITIES POLICY:

A change needs to be made from 10 days back to 15 days per the WIAA. Motion by Meade Grim, seconded by Gordy Farrell to approve the first reading of the Activities Rules of Eligibility. Motion carried 7-0.

CONSIDER 2010-2011 BUDGET OPTIONS:

Ken Bates reviewed the options with the Board. Need to reduce line 23 to \$7,500 and delete line 12. Harley Reabe commented that the Board should recommend the options instead of approving them. Meade Grim questioned the remaining short fall of \$230,000. This will be addressed at the May meeting. Sydney Rouse commented that the District should look at new ways to increase revenues. Motion by Meade Grim seconded by Dennis Deyo to accept the 2010-2011 Proposed Reductions and the 2011-2012 Proposed Reductions. Motion carried 7-0.

CONSIDER PROGRAM REDUCTIONS:

Motion by Gordy Farrell, seconded by Dennis Deyo to accept the Program reductions as presented. Motion carried 7-0.

CONSIDER STAFF

ASSIGNMENTS/REASSIGNMENTS:

Motion by Dennis Deyo, seconded by Harley Reabe to tentatively approve the staff Assignments/Reassignments as presented. Motion carried 7-0.

CONSIDER STAFF LAY-OFFS/REDUCTIONS:

Motion by Sydney Rouse seconded by Harley Reabe to approve the layoff of staff as presented. The increase in programs will be considered at the May Board meeting. Motion carried 7-0.

Ken Bates indicated that a meeting with all staff affected took place and there is no reflection of reductions due to any performance issues.

CONSIDER BAND TRIP REQUEST TO WASHINGTON, DC

Tabled.

CONSIDER MINUTES OF SPECIAL MEETING HELD ON APRIL 26, 2010:

Motion by Wendy Schultz, seconded by Dennis Deyo to table the approval of the 4/26/10 special meeting minutes until the 5/19/10 Board Meeting. Motion carried 7-0.

CONSIDER TRANSPORTATION CONTRACT FOR 2010-2011:

Motion by Dennis Deyo, seconded by Harley Reabe to approve the 2010-2011 Transportation contract with Laper's Fairwater Garage Inc. Motion carried 7-0.

CONSIDER DISALLOWANCE OF INSURANCE CLAIM

Motion by Harley Reabe, seconded by Gordy Farrell to deny the insurance claim per the recommendation by EMC Insurance Company. Roll call vote requested by Harley Reabe: Reabe – Yes, Dennis Deyo – Yes, Sydney Rouse – Yes, Wendy Schultz – Yes, Meade Grim – Yes, Gordy Farrell – Yes, Amy Pipho – Yes. Motion carried 7-0.

Motion by Dennis Deyo, seconded by Meade Grim to adjourn at 9:45 pm. Motion carried 7-0.

The next meeting will be held on May 19, 2010 in the school library. Notices of any special meetings will be posted in the display case of the school at 612 Mill Street, the Green Lake State Bank, the Green Lake Post Office, the First National Bank of Berlin-Green Lake Branch and on Laker Vision Channel 98.

Michele Eilbes
Board Secretary

Amy Pipho, President

Wendy Schultz, Clerk

Date
