

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

January 30, 2008

The meeting of the Board of Education was held Wednesday, January 30, 2008, in the school library. The meeting was called to order at 7:04 PM by President, Wendy Schultz.

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 and on Laker Vision Channel 7.

President Schultz led all those in attendance in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll Call:

Present - Wendy Schultz, Gordon Farrell, Marc Dosogne, Harley Reabe, Jodine Deppisch, Jane Piernot, Celest King

Also present – Ken Bates, Superintendent; Polly Manske, Board Secretary; Deb Kneser, Curriculum Coordinator; staff members and residents of the district.

Consent Agenda

Motion by Deppisch, seconded by Piernot, to approve the meeting agenda, consent agenda items, November cash balance, Spring Musical Directors: Dianne Walker and Bob Kuhn, and School to Work/CTE Coordinator; Barb Born. January invoices to be paid and minutes of the regular Board meeting of December 19, 2007, pulled for further discussion. All ayes. Motion carried.

Discussion/Informational Items

RECOGNITIONS/STUDENT COUNCIL:

Student Council representative Rachel Thrasher updated the Board on fundraising activities for the Kaupe family, Take-A-Little-Break and Winterfest, to be held February 11-16th, 2008.

SCHOOL REPORTS

Mr. Bates updated the Board on events scheduled for the February 1st early release/in-service day.

STAFF PRESENTATION – IB; TECHNOLOGY:

Peter Hintz, 7-12 English teacher and Lauren Norton, librarian, shared insights from attendance at the Middle Years Program International Baccalaureate training recently attended.

Sue Ruth, second grade teacher, reported on her Primary Years Program training for IB.

Mr. Bates reported that he continues to work out details for a visit with South St. Paul district, the only other K-12 IB school in the U.S.

Ms. Kneser, Curriculum Coordinator, shared a video: 21st Century Skills.

SPECIAL EDUCATION PRESENTATION:

Mrs. Allen, Special Education Director, reported on her continued research on how best to integrate IB into the special education curriculum. She also reported on the progress of the Special Education program this year as well as staff training to date.

Mrs. Allen informed the Board that the district completed a self-evaluation of our Special Education program and have met all DPI requirements.

CORRESPONDENCE:

Mr. Bates shared with the Board that he is working with UW-Madison's School of Education and Center for Biology Education on how to facilitate a K-12 science outreach program with our district.

CHARTER SCHOOL UPDATE:

Laura Hutchison, charter board member, informed the Board that informational meetings will be held February 4th and 5th. May 1, 2008, is the application deadline for admission to the charter school.

Ms. Kneser reported that additional charter school information will be added to the Green Lake School's website soon.

She also shared that the charter school will be supplying students with such technologies as: podcasting, individual microscopes and laptops.

GOALS UPDATE – READING,
DIFFERENTIATION, H.S. GRADUATION
REQUIREMENTS:

Mrs. Schultz reported that it is expected high school graduation requirements will be based on IB requirements.

Ms. Kneser updated the Board on the reading proficiency report. She is in the process of implementing multiple strategies to improve reading at all grade levels. She also reported that differentiation strategies for reading are currently being developed.

WASB STATE CONFERENCE
REPORTS/BOARD EVALUATION:

Mr. Reabe shared information from the School Finance Puzzle he and Mrs. Schultz attended at the Education Convention in Milwaukee.

Mrs. Schultz reported back to the Board on the delegate assembly.

Mrs. Manske and Mr. Bates also shared their insights from the Education Convention.

Mrs. Schultz provided Board members with a self-evaluation to complete.

BOARD CALENDAR; UPCOMING EVENTS:

Mrs. Schultz updated the Board on upcoming meetings including community informational sessions for both the Charter School and IB.

DETACHMENT/ATTACHMENT COMMITTEE REPORT:

Mr. Farrell reported to the Board that the committee has completed its review of the proposed Boundary Agreement from Markesan. The next meeting for the committee will be on February 18, 2008.

POLICY COMMITTEE REPORT:

Mr. Bates provided the Board with a first reading of the Fund Balance Policy. The first reading was discussed.

The Board also discussed the addition of two new policies to be presented at a later date.

SPECIAL BUDGET MEETING:

Mr. Bates proposed a date for the Board to hold the upcoming Special Budget Meeting: February 20, 2008.

JANUARY MEMBERSHIP REPORT:

Mrs. Manske reported that the January membership was down five students from the September count.

CUSTODIAN POSITION UPDATE:

Mr. Bates shared with the Board that interviews for the Buildings & Grounds Supervisor position were held this week.

WELLNESS COMMITTEE:

Mr. Bates requested that a member of the Board join the newly developing Wellness Committee. He is also looking for a representative from the community.

Action Items

APPROVAL OF COURSE ADDITIONS/DELETIONS:

After discussion, motion by Dosogne, seconded by Piernot to approve course additions/deletions. All ayes. Motion carried.

SET DATE/TIME FOR SPECIAL BUDGET MEETING:

Motion by Piernot, seconded by Reabe to approve the first reading of the revised Policy 4130 with modifications as noted. All ayes. Motion carried.

FIRST READING OF REVISED POLICY 4130:

Motion by Farrell, seconded by King to approve a special School Board budget meeting for February 20, 2008 at 7:00 p.m. All ayes. Motion carried

Consent Agenda

After a correction, motion by King, seconded by Farrell, to approve the minutes from the Regular Board Meeting of December 19, 2007. All ayes. Motion carried

After a discussion of legal expenses to the district, motion by Piernot, seconded by Deppisch, to approve

the January invoices to be paid. All ayes. Motion carried.

Adjournment to Closed Session

Motion by Dosogne, second by Reabe to convene in closed session at 9:45 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) Considering employment, promotion, compensation or performance evaluation data of any public employee over which the governmental body has jurisdiction or exercises authority. (e) Deliberating or negotiating the purchasing of public properties, the investing of public funds, or conducting other specified public business, whenever competitive or bargaining reasons require a closed session.

- (c) administrative contracts
- (e) GLEA Negotiations/Grievances, Non-represented benefits

Roll call vote: All ayes. Motion carried 7-0.

Reconvene in Open Session

Motion by Deppisch, seconded by Reabe to reconvene in open session at 11:15 PM. Roll call vote: all ayes. Motion carried 7-0.

Action Items

APPROVAL OF ADMIN. CONTRACTS:

Motion by King, seconded by Deppisch to roll over contract for Ken Bates. All ayes. Motion carried.

Motion by Dosogne, seconded by Farrell to extend e.jon tracy's contract to 2010 and to extend Deb Kneser's contract to 2010. All ayes. Motion carried.

Motion by Reabe, seconded by Deppisch to adjourn at 11:23 PM. Motion carried 7-0.

The next meeting will be held on February 27, 2008 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 and on Laker Vision Channel 7.

Polly Manske
Board Secretary

President

Clerk

Date