

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

October 22, 2008

The meeting of the Board of Education was held Wednesday, October 22, 2008, in the school library. The meeting was called to order at 7:05 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, Amy Pipho, Harley Reabe, Dennis Deyo, Celest King, Jodine Deppisch

Also present –Polly Manske, Board Secretary; Ken Bates, District Administrator; e.jon tracy, Principal; Deb Kneser, Curriculum Coordinator; staff members and residents of the district.

Consent Agenda

Motion by Deppisch, seconded by King, to approve the minutes of the September 24, 2008 School Board meeting, October invoices to be paid, September cash balance, contract for Polly Manske, Special Education Teacher, winter coaches contracts as submitted and job descriptions for Lead Custodian and Cleaner. All ayes. Motion carried.

Discussion/Informational Items

STUDENT COUNCIL REPORT

Student Council representatives provided an update on Homecoming, Campaign Orange, a new display case, and results of the caramel apple sale. Representatives also reminded the board of the upcoming fall play, *Death by Chocolate*, to be performed November 14-16th at Thrasher Opera House.

RECOGNITIONS:

Mr. tracy recognized Curtis Morgan (10th grade) as this month's Student of the Month. Curtis is active in a variety of sports as well as Student Council where he serves as the treasurer.

SCHOOL REPORT:

Mr. tracy reported that WKCE testing will begin in November. The final football game will be on Oct. 23rd and 7th and 8th grade boys basketball practice has begun.

Mr. Bates reported on his visit to the UW Arboretum and discussed an opportunity to become involved in Earth Partnership.

Mr. Bates announced that Green Lake is a Diploma Programme Candidate School, in addition to our middle-school candidate program status.

Ms. Kneser shared art lessons incorporating internationalism.

CHARTER SCHOOL REPORT:

Ms. Kneser informed the board of upcoming field experience days for the Charter School: October – visiting the Ice Age Trail and November – Folk Fair.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT:

Mrs. Schultz presented an update on the school and her Chicago marathon experience.

Mr. Bates shared information on upcoming events: WSPRA Conference at the Heidel House November 6/7 and School Law Seminar presented by Lathrop and Clark on November 20th.

WASB REGIONAL REPORT:

Mr. Bates attended the WASB Regional Report meeting and discussed current issues, including school funding with representatives of the Princeton District.

ACCOUNTS MANAGER, SHELLEY EILBES:

Mr. Bates reported that the new Accounts Manager has been hired – Shelley Eilbes. Ms. Eilbes will begin at the district on November 10th.

GOALS UPDATE:

Ms. Deppisch provided a goals update and reviewed the spreadsheet being used to track progress of goals.

A tentative date of November 10th was set for a meeting with area superintendents to discuss a CTE Academy.

Mr. Deyo reported that feedback from the CTE listening session was productive.

Ms. Kneser updated the board on the reading goal, a K-3 community read, grant from Target Corp. and upcoming evening activities for the community read program to take place in January and April of 2009.

Ms. Kneser also reported that we will be joining the Gold Seal Lessons program and eight teachers will be trained to lead this program.

Mrs. Schultz stated the next listening session will focus on concerns related to extra-curriculars and sports.

POLICY COMMITTEE REPORT:

Mrs. Schultz reported that updates continue and commended JoAnne Lichtenberg on her involvement and dedication to the committee.

FINANCE COMMITTEE REPORT:

Mr. Reabe reported that the finance committee met and reviewed the 08-09 budget. Mr. Reabe reported that the tax levy will decrease for 08-09 and that all questions posed by the committee were answered.

BUILDINGS AND GROUNDS COMMITTEE REPORT:

Mr. Farrell informed the board that the committee has been meeting in closed session to negotiate with Lindenwood Development. They are scheduled to meet next week, however, the project still has a long way to go.

MARKESAN HIGH SCHOOL PROPOSAL:

Mr. Bates provided an update on communications occurring within the Markesan district and stated that the Markesan Regional middle-school/high-school concept is different than the direction our board has taken.

Ms. Deppisch stated that the board needs to listen to the community and take direction from them.

Mr. Bates reported that the Princeton District is very open to sharing teachers and programs with us.

MEMBERSHIP REPORT:

Mona Aumann, Business Consultant, provided a report of resident students for the 08-09 school year. Overall, the district is down 19 resident students from last year. It was projected that the district would be down 20 students in 08-09.

HEATING MAINTENANCE:

Mr. Bates reported that steam traps needed to be replaced in order for the heating system to function properly. Brewer Heating is in the process of updating the traps.

Action Items

APPROVAL OF 2nd READING OF POLICIES 185-BOARD COMMITTEES; 187 – PUBLIC PARTICIPATION AT BOARD MEETINGS; 253.2 – HANDBOOK REVIEW; 321.1 – SCHEDULING CO-CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES; 342.1 PROGRAMS FOR STUDENTS WITH DISABILITIES; 342.6 – PROGRAM AND CURRICULUM MODIFICATIONS; AND 672 - PURCHASING;

Policy 185 pulled, 2nd approval done in September 08. Motion by Deyo, second by Deppisch to approve second readings of policies. Mr. Reabe pulled Policy 672 – Purchasing for further discussion. All ayes. Motion carried.

After discussion, motion by Reabe, seconded by Farrell to approve the 2nd reading of Policy 672 with noted revisions. All ayes. Motion carried.

APPROVAL OF SCHOOL YEAR 2008-2009 BUDGET – FUNDS 10-80:

Motion by Deppisch, seconded by Reabe to approve the budget for school year 2008-2009. All ayes. Motion carried.

APPROVAL OF TAX LEVY FOR SCHOOL YEAR 2008-2009:

Motion by Pipho, seconded by King to approve the tax levy for School Year 2008-2009 of \$4,761,202. All ayes. Motion carried.

APPROVAL OF CHANGE TO NOVEMBER AND DECEMBER MEETING DATE:

Motion by Farrell, seconded by King to change the dates of the November and December Board of Education meetings to November 19, 2008 and December 17, 2008. All ayes. Motion carried.

Adjournment to Closed Session

Motion by King, second by Farrell to convene in closed session at 9:10 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) Prohibited Practice Agreement
- (e) Lindenwood Property

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

Reconvene in Open Session

Motion by Deyo, seconded by Reabe to reconvene in open session at 10:23 PM. Roll call vote: all ayes. Motion carried 7-0.

Motion by Reabe, seconded by Deyo to adjourn at 10:23 PM. Motion carried 7-0.

The next meeting will be held on November 19, 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 Bank, the Green Lake Post Office, the First National Bank and on Laker Vision Channel 7.

Polly Manske
Board Secretary

President

Clerk

Date