

REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
BOARD OF EDUCATION – SCHOOL DISTRICT OF COLBY
MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 17, 2012
COLBY DISTRICT/EDUCATION CENTER

The Regular School Board Meeting on September 17, 2012, was called to order at 7:30 p.m. at the Colby District Education Center by Board President, William Tesmer. Members present were, Eric Elmhurst, Todd Schmidt, Seth Pinter, Dennis Engel, Donna Krueger, Cheryl Ploeckelman and William Tesmer. Also present were Superintendent Steven Kolden and Kristen Seifert.

The meeting notice was posted according to the requirements of the open meeting law.

Mr. Jason Hazuga, proposed buyer for Neillsville property, addressed the Board that he currently owns an assisted living center in Thorp, WI.

Mr. Tesmer recognized Laurie Hespard, Food Service Director, for National School Lunch Week and for her high quality of food service management.

Nathaniel Underwood reported that Homecoming festivities are in full swing. Activities include Powder Puff Football, wall decorating, door decorating, dress up days, Friday afternoon activities and Powder Buff Volleyball. The dance will be held Saturday night. A reminder that the NHS and Student Council Blood Drive will be on September 26th.

Mr. Kolden informed the Board that the District will be receiving cell phones through Verizon at a very minimal cost to the District. Mr. Kolden updated the Board on the Ruder Ware seminar “The Basics of Local Government Law” which covered the basics of local government law including open meetings law, public records law and conflicts of interest. Ruder Ware will be offering another seminar “Health Care Reform/Wellness Programs” on September 26. The District received a WIAA Officials Commendation letter for the Sectional Track Meet held here in May. Mr. Kolden updated the Board that Mrs. Brenda Medenwaldt will have a bigger role with PBIS and also have the title of Co-Principal. Mr. Kolden reviewed the 20 million dollar federal Race To The Top Grant. The ice machine at the high school needs to be replaced and Mr. Hagen will get estimates. As discussed at the last Board meeting the High School Study Hall Supervisor position has now been increased from .5 FTE to 1.0 FTE. The District is now utilizing the Spice Works Power Management Utility which will auto shutdown computers at a certain time to save energy. Mr. Dennis Wenzel, Maintenance Supervisor, will be presenting at the Midwest Facilities Masters Conference on October 29 and 30.

Motion by Mrs. Ploeckelman, seconded by Mrs. Krueger to approve the Consent Agenda as follows:

Move agenda item 7.01 to regular business.

Board member attendance and payment of expenses at the Ruder Ware Seminar on September 26 and the WASB Fall Regional Meeting on September 27.

Resignation of Elissa Trautlein, Colby Elementary Special Education Teacher, effective when a suitable replacement is found.

Hire of Barbara Soback, Colby Elementary Lunch Server

Hire of Lilia Hernandez, .5 FTE Little Stars ELL Paraprofessional

Voice vote – Motion carried.

Motion by Mr. Engel, seconded by Mr. Schmidt to approve the minutes of the August 20, 2012 Regular Meeting. Roll call vote – Motion carried 5-0-2; Yes-Mr. Elmhurst, Mr. Schmidt, Mr. Pinter, Mr. Engel, Mr. Tesmer, No-None, Abstain-Mrs. Krueger, Mrs. Ploeckelman.

Motion by Mr. Schmidt, seconded by Mr. Pinter to approve the receipts and invoices as presented. Voice vote – motion carried.

Financial Report

TOTAL REVENUE – August		\$ 960,990.67
MID. WISCONSIN BANK-		
BANK WIRES - FEDERAL w/SS	1436-1442	\$ 63,856.85
COMMUNITY BANK-		
REGULAR CHECKS	29243-29272	\$ 14,155.64
DIRECT DEPOSITS	9047010-9047060	\$ 33,756.42
	9047061-9047167	\$ 108,695.94
ADVANTAGE BANK-		
REGULAR CHECKS	63210-63241	\$ 27,296.02
	63242-63250	\$ 173,070.60
	63251-63332	\$ 237,071.32
	63333-63341	\$ 14,423.57
TOTAL CHECKS TO BE APPROVED		\$ 672,326.36

Mr. Tesmer and Mrs. Ploeckelman attended the PLC Conference in Cadott and reported it was a very enlightening and upbeat conference. They feel the Board is going in the right direction supporting PLCs.

Mr. Kolden reviewed the budget timelines, 2011-12 and 2012-13 revenue and expenses and the 2012-13 preliminary budget numbers.

Mr. Kolden reviewed the revenue and expense history for the Neillsville property.

ACT scores show that Colby High School students perform better than the state average. There may be changes with this standard testing in the future.

Motion by Mr. Engel, seconded by Mr. Pinter to reject the offer for the sale of the Neillsville property as presented. Voice vote – Motion carried.

Motion by Mr. Schmidt, seconded by Mr. Elmhorst to approve the revisions to Parts I, IV, and V of the Employee Handbook as presented. Roll call vote – Motion carried 7-0; Yes-Mr. Elmhorst, Mr. Schmidt, Mr. Pinter, Mr. Engel, Mr. Tesmer, Mrs. Ploeckelman, Mrs. Krueger, No-None, Abstain-None.

Motion by Mr. Elmhorst, seconded by Mr. Engel to approve the revisions to Part II of the Employee Handbook as presented. Roll call vote – Motion carried 5-0; Yes-Mr. Elmhorst, Mr. Schmidt, Mr. Engel, Mr. Tesmer, Mrs. Krueger, No-None, Abstain-Mrs. Ploeckelman, Mr. Pinter.

Motion by Mrs. Ploeckelman, seconded by Mr. Elmhorst to approve the revisions to Part III of the Employee Handbook as presented. Roll call vote – Motion carried 6-0; Yes-Mr. Elmhorst, Mr. Schmidt, Mr. Engel, Mr. Pinter, Mrs. Ploeckelman, Mrs. Krueger, No-None, Abstain-Mr. Tesmer.

Motion by Mr. Elmhorst, seconded by Mr. Schmidt to approve the revisions to Part VI of the Employee Handbook as presented. Roll call vote – Motion carried 5-0; Yes-Mr. Elmhorst, Mr. Schmidt, Mr. Engel, Mr. Pinter, Mrs. Krueger, No-None, Abstain-Mr. Tesmer, Mrs. Ploeckelman.

Motion by Mrs. Krueger, seconded by Mr. Engel to approve the revisions to the Appendix of the Employee Handbook as presented. Roll call vote – Voice vote - Motion carried.

Motion by Mr. Engel, seconded by Mrs. Krueger to approve the first reading of Policy #110 – Educational Philosophy as presented. Voice vote – Motion carried.

Motion by Mr. Schmidt, seconded by Mr. Elmhorst to approve the bid from R & R Flooring of \$910 to replace carpet in Neillsville using money out of the Capital Funds Project. Voice vote – Motion carried.

Motion by Mr. Engel, seconded by Mrs. Krueger to approve the Memorandum of Understanding with CESA #10 for the Rate To The Top grant. Voice vote – Motion carried.

Motion by Mrs. Ploeckelman, seconded by Mr. Elmhorst, to convene in closed session per Wisconsin Statutes 19.85 (1) c) to consider employment, promotion, compensation or performance evaluation data of any public employee over which the governmental body has jurisdiction or exercises responsibility: Transportation Contracts; Individual Staff Performance; Superintendent Evaluation. Roll call vote – Motion carried 7-0. Yes-Mr. Elmhorst, Mr. Schmidt, Mr. Pinter, Mr. Engel, Mr. Tesmer, Mrs. Ploeckelman, Mrs. Krueger, No-None, Abstain-None.

Motion by Mr. Engel, seconded by Mrs. Krueger, to move from closed session and to reconvene in open session as previously announced. Voice vote - motion carried.

Scheduled Board of Education Meetings:

Financial Affairs Committee Meeting – October 15, 2012 – 7:00 PM CDEC

Regular Board of Education Meeting – October 15, 2012 – 7:30 PM CDEC

Motion by Mr. Elmhorst, seconded by Mr. Schmidt to adjourn the meeting. Voice vote - motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 10:15 PM.

Respectfully Submitted:

Todd Schmidt, Clerk

Kristen Seifert, Reporting Secretary