

REGULAR MEETING MINUTES  
BOARD OF EDUCATION – SCHOOL DISTRICT OF COLBY  
MONDAY, DECEMBER 21, 2009  
COLBY DISTRICT/EDUCATION CENTER

The Regular School Board Meeting on December 21, 2009, was called to order at 7:30 p.m. in the Colby District Education Center by Board President Dennis Engel. Members present were Ed Haas, Cheryl Ploeckelman, Larry Oehmichen, Rick Weber, Dennis Engel and Elise Woik, Student Board Member. William Tesmer and Donna Krueger were absent. Also present were Superintendent Terry Downen and Chris Thieme.

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

Several items of correspondence were presented including: Letter from State Supt. Re: Race to the Top Funding; Assn for Equity in Funding Newsletter dated December, 2009; “The Wisconsin Taxpayer” September, 2009; Wisconsin Taxpayer Alliance “Focus” – November 18, 2009; Resolution from Marathon County Supporting AB 287; CESA 10 Board of Control Minutes and December 10, 2009 Agenda; Email from DPI re: Late Auditor reporting; School Facts 2009-Eastern Cloverbelt Schools; Actuarial Study – Valuation of Liabilities for Post Employment Benefits; Facilities & Transportation Committee Meeting Summary – 11/23/09; Invitation to tour Concrete/Energy Efficient Home and WTA “Focus” 12/04/2009. Mr. Downen distributed at the meeting: WASB “New Laws”; The Krietlow Report; “Teaching Today” newspaper; Colby H.S. Course Description Handbook; “Hornet Highlights” Student newspaper and U.S. Dept. of Defense Employer Support of the Guard and Reserve.

Mrs. Krueger arrived at 7:38 p.m.

The Principal’s and Superintendent’s written reports were sent to board members. Mr. Downen distributed the Audit Report as of June 30, 2009.

Elise Woik, Student Council Board Representative, reported students are getting ready for the Christmas Break. The FFA hosted a Badminton Tournament with 18 teams participating. The Student Council is planning a blood drive in January. They also collected over 500 food items for the food pantry. The FCCLA is hosting Lunch with Santa Claus. Last Friday was “Grimm Reaper Day” sponsored by the Students Against Destructive Decisions (SADD). Every 33 minutes there is death due to drunk driving. Throughout the day, students were visited by the Grimm Reaper representing a death. An Assembly was held at the end of the day with speakers urging students against destructive decisions such as drinking alcohol and driving.

Motion by Mr. Weber, seconded by Mrs. Krueger to approve the minutes of the November 16, 2009, Regular Board Meeting. Voice vote – Motion carried.

Motion by Mrs. Ploeckelman, seconded by Mrs. Krueger, to approve the Receipts and Invoices as presented and reviewed.

November Receipts #891048-891092	\$ 46,582.20
Mid Wisconsin Bank Wires 1077-1084	126,502.21
Community Bank Regular Checks #27436-27609	77,740.38
Direct Deposit # 9035266-9035586	267,726.59
Advantage Community Bank Checks # 57566-57712	438,845.45
Mid Wisconsin Renovation Fund Ck#1040-1042	26,362.60

Motion by Mr. Weber, seconded by Mrs. Krueger to approve travel out of state for the FFA to St.Paul, MN on Saturday, January 30, 2010. Voice vote – Motion carried.

Mr. Weber reported on the meeting to discuss the theater audio and location of the sound booth. Present at the meeting were Mr. Haines, Mrs. Bonacker, Mr. Schoelzel, Mr. Holtzhausen and others. There may be additional costs associated with electrical installations meeting code and inclusion of a fire rated door.

Mr. Tesmer arrived at 7:55 p.m.

Motion by Mrs. Ploeckelman, seconded by Mrs. Krueger to approve these new Board of Education Policies and Policy revisions as edited: #142 – School Attorney; #180 – Board Operating Procedures; #166 – Board Member Use of Electronic Mail; #332 – School & Classroom Innovation; #342.1 Special Education Policies and Procedures; #342.34 – School Nutrition and Rule; #342.34 – District Nutrition Standards and Procedures; #342.4 – Gifted and Talented Identification; #343.7 – Virtual Education; #345.11 – Selection of High School State Sponsored HEAB Scholarship and Honor Students and Graduation Ceremony Participation; #453.3 – Communicable Diseases and Rule; #453.3 – (Pandemic Checklist); #453.41 – Management of Allergies and Rules and Exhibits; #731.2 – Electronic Security Systems; #751.5 – Use of Personal and District Owned Vehicles on School Business; #881.4 – Relations with Educational Foundations; #896. – Charter Schools. Voice vote – Motion carried.

Mrs. Ploeckelman will represent the Colby Board of Education at the WASB Annual Convention in Milwaukee. Board members agreed to authorize Mrs. Ploeckelman to vote as her conscience guides her on the several resolutions on the agenda for consideration.

Motion by Mr. Weber, seconded by Mr. Tesmer to approve the Race to the Top Memorandum of Understanding as part of the State of Wisconsin's Race to the Top grant application to the federal government. Voice vote – Motion carried.

Mr. Oehmichen reported the Mediation Session with Support Staff Personnel was cancelled December 14, 2009 and rescheduled for January 11, 2010 at 4:00 p.m.

Motion by Mr. Weber, seconded by Mrs. Krueger, to convene in closed session per Wisconsin Statutes 19.85 c) to consider employment, promotion, compensation or performance evaluation data of any public employee over which the governmental body has jurisdiction or exercises responsibility: 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; f) Consider financial, medical, social or personal histories or disciplinary data of specific persons, preliminary consideration of specific personnel problems or the investigation of charges against specific persons except where par. (b) applies which, if discussed in public, would be likely to have a substantial adverse effect on the reputation of any person referred to in such histories or data, or involved in such problems or investigations. 9.01 Negotiations for Pending Lease or Sale of Property – Riverview School; 9.02 Personnel – Hiring; 9.03 Review Issues pertaining to Administration Contracts and Administrator's Issuance of Contracts. Motion by Mrs. Ploeckelman, seconded by Mr. Tesmer to amend the motion deleting item f) as the official newspaper was not notified of this addition to the agenda. Roll call vote on amendment: Yes – Mr. Haas, Mr. Oehmichen, Mrs. Ploeckelman, Mr. Tesmer, Mr. Engel; No – Mrs. Krueger, Mr. Weber. Motion to amend carried 5-2. Roll call vote on original motion as amended deleting item f) of Wisconsin Statutes – Motion carried 7-0.

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

Motion by Mr. Weber, seconded by Mrs. Krueger to approve hiring Chris Johnson as a Special Education Aide and Rick Golz as M.S. Assistant Girls Basketball coach. Voice vote – Motion carried.

Scheduled Meetings: Personnel Committee – Mediation Session – January 11, 2010 – 3:15 p.m. – CDEC  
Special Board Meeting – January 11, 2010 – 8:00 p.m. - CDEC  
Regular Board of Education – January 18, 2010 – 7:30 p.m. – CDEC

Motion by Mr. Weber, seconded by Mrs. Krueger to adjourn the meeting. Voice vote – Motion carried.  
Meeting adjourned at 9:43 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted:

William Tesmer, Clerk

Chris Thieme, Reporting Secretary

