

SCHOOL DISTRICT OF EDGAR
REGULAR BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING
LIBRARY MEDIA CENTER
February 19, 2025

- A. The meeting was called to order by Corey Mueller at 6:00 p.m.
- B. The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Corey Mueller.
- C. Roll Call: 5 school board members (Corey Mueller, Alison Reinders, Pam Stahel, Becca Normington, Megan Wesolowski), 4 administrators (Cari Guden, Lisa Witt, Mike Wilhelm, Rich Twomey), 2 guests.
- D. Edgar School District Strategic Plan:
The district's Mission, Vision and Values statements were acknowledged by Corey Mueller.
- E. Written notice of the meeting was posted and sent to the media on
 - 1. Friday, Feb. 14, 2025
- F. Recognition of persons wishing to address the Board
 - 1. None.
- G. Staff/Student Presentations
 - 1. The Food Service Director Report was presented by Dr. Cari Guden in Rebecca Larson's absence. Many special meals are on the menu in coming weeks. Mrs. Larson is evaluating menu items that are popular and less costly with rising costs.
- H. Administrative Reports
 - 1) District Administrator Dr. Cari Guden shared the following:
 - a) January meetings, including classroom observations for educator effectiveness evaluations.
 - b) Second Friday in January Pupil Counts: The district reported 562 FTEs (starting with 578, 72 open enrolled in, 56 open enrolled out). This is four more students than at the Third Friday in Sept. count. The district was selected for an enrollment audit, during which it will be asked to show documentation of enrollment.
 - c) Open enrollment runs Feb. 3 – April 30.
 - d) Communication
 - 1. MCSE January Board highlights
 - 2) Administrators
 - a) Elementary principal Dr. Lisa Witt reported on:
 - 1) DATA:
 - a. First time trying elementary-only personal development day was successful

- b. aimswebPlus: 56 students have reading plans. Dr. Witt commented that the best part is making connections with parents
 - c. AGR goals: 4K-third grade goal is 18-1 class ratio
 - d. Elementary school attendance and behavioral data was shared.
 - 2) Literacy Coaching Days
 - a. Liz – grades 4K-2
 - b. Amy P. – grades 3-5
 - c. Amy McGovern - data
 - 3) Preschool screening
 - a. March 14, 7:30 a.m.-4 p.m.
 - b. Three groups
 - c. Goal is to only screen students entering 4K
 - d. 31 4-year-olds projected
 - 4) Upcoming dates:
 - a. Feb 17-18: Fifth grade school forest trip (rescheduled from Dec)
 - b. Feb. 24: K-12 Math curriculum meetings
 - c. Feb. 25: Family Fun Night (bounce house)
 - d. Feb. 26: Summer School planning meeting with teachers
 - 5) Other:
 - a. Congratulations! An Edgar student placed second at the spelling bee in Stratford.
- b) Middle/high school principal Mike Wilhelm reported on
- 1) March 25: Pre-ACT (9-10 grade), ACT test (11th grade). No seniors will be in the building that day.
 - 2) ACT prep for juniors
 - 3) Marathon County Honoring Excellence Students/Valedictorians. Two students will attend a dinner April 23 and present a speech about an impactful teacher.
 - 4) Academic Excellence Scholarship recipient
 - 5) Technical Excellence Scholarship recipient
 - 6) Marawood Conference Art Immersion Day at Loft Gallery, 427 N 4th St., Wausau. Exhibit will be set up Feb 19-March 15.
 - 7) Solo and Ensemble: Choir and band will perform Fri, Feb. 21, Columbus HS in Marshfield.
 - 8) UDL Trials with representative from CESA 9. Teachers select students for observation, engagement. Talks with teachers for coaching. Non evaluative.
 - 9) Attendance and behavioral data for MS and HS was shared.
- c) Special education coordinator Rich Twomey reported:
- 1) Mr. Twomey spotlighted several middle school and high school special education professionals: Sam Brown, Aaron Niemann, Cassandra Newman, Megan Arndt, and speech/language pathologists Jenna Riesen, Stephanie Rottscheit. Elementary school special education professionals were featured during the January meeting.

- 3) Student Board Member report: Mr. Mike Wilhelm presented the student board report on behalf of Mia Stencil, highlighting several student activities:
 - a) Girls basketball playoffs begin soon. Edgar's first playoff game will be at home.
 - b) Wrestling regionals.
 - c) FBLA regionals hosted at Edgar. Great volunteer help.
 - d) ETC play was last weekend. The students put on a great show.
 - e) Band and choir students will be traveling to Solo and Ensemble.
- 4) Board member reports:
 - a) Board members discussed snow days and legislative issues, but took no action.

I. Consent Agenda:

- 1) Approval of the agenda, minutes, financial statements, and bills for payment
 - a) A motion was made by Alison Reinders, seconded by Pam Stahel, to approve the agenda, financial statements, bills for payment, checks #109189 to #109378 plus direct withdrawals totaling \$823,122.66, and minutes for the Jan. 15, 2025, regular board meeting and executive session board meeting, and the Jan. 29, 2025, special board meeting. The motion carried 5-0.
- 2) Personnel:
 - a) Spring coach hires
 - b) Staff resignation: HS guidance counselor Ms. Kaylee Olund submitted her resignation. Her last day will be June 5.
 - c) Staff hires: None
A motion was made by Pam Stahel, seconded by Becca Normington, to approve the personnel changes. The motion carried 5-0.
- 3) Policy
 - a) 2025-2026 Course Description Handbook
 - b) 2025-2026 School District Calendar
 - c) Second reading of several Neola policies (Vol. 34, No. 1). Neola provided the summary of changes requested by Board members outlining policy changes, rescissions and combinations.
 - d) Second reading of several Neola policies (UGG-Edgar)
 - e) Achievement Gap Reduction (AGR) report. Approved twice each year.
 - f) Policy #5451.01: Wisconsin Academic Excellent Scholarship – Class of 2025. Recipient: Chet Severson; alternate: Emma Riehlé.
 - g) Policy #5451.02: Technical Excellence Scholarship – Class of 2025. Recipient: Kasen Ristow; alternate, Ty Schnelle.
 - h) Policy #2370: Educational Options Provided by the District. A change to this policy allows 10th graders to enroll in dual credit classes with approval of the instructor and principal, consistent with some NTC courses.
 - i) Public School District Reorganization: Detachment/attachment of small territory initiative by owners. Such changes must be acted on in February.
 1. Voigt petition to alter district boundaries, detachment from School District of Athens.

- a. Act on Resolutions Authorizing Issuance of an Order
- b. Act on Orders

A motion was made by Becca Normington, seconded by Alison Reinders, to approve the Policy reports and changes. The motion carried 5-0.

J. Information only

- 1. FMLA leave. A long-term sub has been arranged.

K. Other business

- 1. Future agenda items will be health insurance, employment contracts.

L. Recognition of persons wishing to address the Board:

- 1. None

M. Board suggested future agenda items

- 1. None

N. Consideration of a Motion to Convene into Closed Session

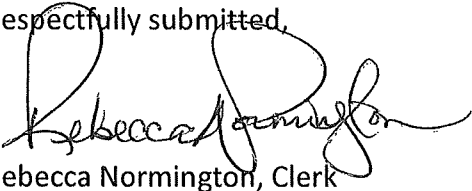
- 1. A motion to adjourn to Closed Session was made by Becca Normington, seconded by Pam Stahel, in accordance with Wis. Stat. 19.85(1)(C) and (F)

A roll call vote was taken: Stahel - Yes; Reinders – Yes; Mueller - Yes; Normington – Yes; Wesolowski – Yes. The motion carried 5-0. The meeting was adjourned to closed session at 7:23 p.m.

O. Reconvene in open session and act on items that require action in open session, if necessary.

- 1. No action was needed. The meeting did not reconvene in open session.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read 'Rebecca Normington', written in black ink.

Rebecca Normington, Clerk