

SCHOOL DISTRICT OF EDGAR
REGULAR BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING
LIBRARY MEDIA CENTER
January 15, 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), 1 student, 4 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, Jan 10, 2025
- F. Recognition of persons wishing to address the Board
 - 1. Public Participation: Amber Guldán, Edgar Theater Company advisor, was present to introduce the winter school play. The play will be a murder mystery radio broadcast show. Dress rehearsals began last week. Performances will be held Feb. 7-9 and will include a dinner theater option. Nineteen students are in the cast and five more are in the crew.
- G. Staff/Student Presentations
 - 1. Auditor Jon Trautman of CLA presented the district annual financial audit, which was completed in July 2024. The audit found that the district's financial statements were free from material misstatement. Minor findings were noted that require corrective action or ongoing monitoring by the School Board.
 - 2. Quarterly financial report: District Bookkeeper Morgan Mueller presented the quarterly financial report and reviewed current and recent activities of the bookkeeping office, including preparation of W2s, scholarship season, grants, budgeting for next year, evaluation of next year's health insurance options and referendum planning for 2026 or 2027.
- H. Administrative Reports
 - 1) District Administrator Dr. Cari Guden shared the following:
 - a) December meetings, including classroom observation for educator effectiveness evaluation.
 - b) Open enrollment will be open Feb. 3-April 30, 2025. Dates will be announced on the district website and via social media. Space recommendations related to open enrollment were addressed in a separate agenda item later in the meeting.

- c) Edgar High School fall 2024 athletic and co-curricular participation report. Board members requested additional breakouts for the new chess club and girl's wrestling.

d) Communication

1. Board elections update: On Thursday, Jan. 9, School Board Clerk Becca Normington drew the order in which school board candidates will appear on the spring ballot. The ballot order will be: 1. Pamela Stahel, 2. Megan Wesolowski.
2. MCSE December Board highlights: Auditor report, health insurance were discussed.
3. Grants update: Ms. Hamann enjoyed the RIF grant for kids; School Health Services grant was for school nurse supplies.
4. School and business partnerships: 4 students are participating in the Coop program (seniors only), 21 students are in the Youth Apprenticeship program (juniors and seniors).
5. Long range plan projects were reviewed. Items up for completion this summer include a phone, video, safety and security system upgrade; refurbishing flooring, cabinets, electrical in high school FCS and science rooms; parking lot seal; flooring in 2nd grade classroom.

2) Administrators

a) Elementary principal Dr. Lisa Witt reported on:

- 1) January 24 inservice day: PLC, collaboration and work day.
- 2) Assessments
 1. aimswebPlus (reading and math) - grades 4K-5, Jan. 27-31
 2. Fastbridge (reading and math) – grades 6-8, Jan. 27-31
- 3) Curriculum cycle 2024-2025
 1. K-12 math is up for review. Monthly meetings begin in January.
 2. We will continue with Illustrative Math curriculum but will go through the curriculum review process to identify gaps, conduct Forward exam data review, identify staff strengths and weaknesses, potential personal development for summer curriculum week with Math Institute, identify need for supplemental materials.
 3. Math curriculum week: Aug. 4-8.
- 4) Upcoming dates:
 1. Jan. 23: Family Fun Night – Make it/Take it with Colin Hanson.
 2. Quarter 2 ends Jan. 23; Quarter 3 begins Jan 27. Grades are due Jan. 28. Report cards go home Jan. 29.
 3. Jan. 31 celebration assembly.

b) Middle/high school principal Mike Wilhelm reported on:

- 1) Upcoming inservice day: Jan. 24 teachers will choose what they want to learn more about. Worktime.
- 2) Pre-ACT and ACT test – test date March 25
 - a) Prep for ACT test will take place during Widcat Time in Feb.
- b) All juniors are prepping for testing in groups of 12.

- 3) Sonja Twedt, Math Institute onsite Jan. 7
 - 4) Fastbridge screening grades 6-9, and our high school special education at the end of Jan.
 1. Data meetings will follow
 - 5) Quarter, semester ends Jan. 23
 - 6) Second semester begins Jan. 27
 - 7) Chess Club to host tournament in Edgar on Saturday, Jan. 18. The tournament will raise money to benefit a homeless shelter.
 - 8) Ten students from Edgar in National History Day competition moved on to regionals
- c) Special education coordinator Rich Twomey reported:
- 1) Mr. Twomey spotlighted several special ed professionals. Elementary: Mandy Schnelle, Kamryn Handrick, Tori Seehafer, Jenny Rahn. MS/HS: Sam Brown, Aaron Niemann, Cassandra Newman, Megan Arndt. District: Jenna Riesen, Stephanie Rottscheit
- 3) Student board representative Mia Stencil highlighted the following activities:
- a) Student sports, especially girls' wrestling.
 - b) Students are getting scheduling help from the school counselor.
 - c) FBLA is hosting on Feb. 1.
 - d) ETC show: students are preparing for the February performance.
- 4) Board member reports:
- a) CESA meeting – proposed resolutions were reviewed. No significant changes were discussed.
- I. Consent Agenda:
- 1) Approval of the agenda, minutes, financial statements, and bills for payment.
 - a) A motion was made by Megan Wesolowski, seconded by Alison Reinders, to approve the agenda, financial statements, bills for payment, checks #109028 to #109188 plus direct withdrawals totaling \$929,207.66, and minutes for the Dec. 18, 2024, regular board meeting and the Jan. 6, 2025 special board meeting. The motion carried 5-0.
 - 2) Policy
 - a) First reading of several Neola policies (Vol. 34, No. 1). It was noted that several rescinded policies have been combined into other policies. Board members requested that Neola identify which policies the rescinded policies are combined into.
 - b) First reading of several Neola policies (UGG-EDGAR).
 - c) Policy #5113: Open Enrollment Program – determining annual capacity for regular education and special education.

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. Policy technical corrections: Non-material technical corrections were made to several policies (Vol. 34, No. 1).
2. FMLA leaves
3. Vacancies:
 - a) Part-time custodian
 - b) MCSE paraprofessional

K. Other business

1. Community Advisory meeting follows today's Board meeting. Pat Socha, representing the Community Advisory Committee, was in attendance at the Board meeting.

L. Recognition of persons wishing to address the Board:

- None

M. Board suggested future agenda items

1. Health insurance

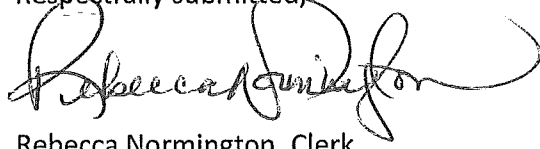
N. Adjourn - A motion to adjourn to Closed Session was made by Megan Wesolowski, seconded by Pam Stahel, in accordance with Wis. Stat. 19.85(1)(A)(C) and (F) and Wis Statute Sec. 118.125.

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 black ink, appearing to read "Rebecca Normington", with a large, stylized flourish extending from the end of the name.

Rebecca Normington, Clerk