

SCHOOL DISTRICT OF EDGAR
REGULAR BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING
LIBRARY MEDIA CENTER
January 16, 2023

The meeting was called to order by Corey Mueller at 5:30 p.m.

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Corey Mueller

Roll Call: 4 board members (Corey Mueller, Gary Lewis, Becca Normington, Megan Wesolowski)
4 administrators (Cari Guden, Lisa Witt, Tom McCarty, Megan Koroch), 7 guests.

The meeting was recorded.

Public Participation: None.

Staff/Student presentations:

- Auditor presentation: A representative of Clifton Larson Allen Consultants reviewed highlights of a financial audit and financial statements for the year ended June 30, 2022.
- LMC Director update – Linda Hamann provided an update on LMC activities. The LMC is alive with student activities, including 8th grade National History Day research. She is assisting science curriculum directors to make sure they have the resources they need for their updated curriculum, and will be assisting with the upcoming ELA curriculum update. There was a 27% increase in Common School Funding that supported LMC purchases. Edgar is joining the Wisconsin Digital Libraries Association and will have thousands of resources in the school's collection, with the ability to add and customize based on school needs.
- Quarterly finance report – Morgan Mueller presented on the tax levy report. Data is uploaded to the state automatically. We are simultaneously doing a traditional report. Morgan is preparing staff W-2s, and collecting scholarship donors questionnaires for 2023 graduates. In monitoring spending, nothing is out of line. Budget sheets will be distributed to staff in February to collect requests for next year's budget. DPIs biennial budget process will begin soon. Maintenance projects are underway. The district will bid out for health insurance for 2023. M3 is managing the bidding process.
- 2022-23 school calendar update: Two snow days are built into the school year calendar. December 14 and 15 were snow days. Any additional snow days will become virtual school days. Elementary teachers have a plan to send a message to parents at 8 a.m. with virtual assignments in Reading, Math and Writing. MS/HS: Lessons are posted by 8 a.m. Students know to login. Everyone is well versed in what to do.

Administrative Reports:

- District Administrator: Cari Guden reviewed her December meeting schedule. Open enrollment dates are Feb 6-April 28. Information about open enrollment will be posted on the school's website and posted on social media. Cari reported on fall athletics participation. Cari and Becca Normington will attend the 2023 WASB Joint State

Education Convention Jan 17-20. Two candidates will be running for school board election in spring. Becca Normington drew names to determine the order candidates will appear on the ballot: Alison Reinders, Gary Lewis. Cari reviewed Marathon County Special Education December board meeting highlights. Based on a previous school board request, a list of 4k-12 Edgar School Forest curriculum activities was reviewed. Cari provided an update on the Edgar Area Trail Supporters request to have a storage building on school grounds. Additional information is being gathered before a recommendation will be made. Cari reviewed a list of grants the district has applied for and received. Cari discussed school/business partnerships that support student learning and career preparation, including school to career programs, coop programs, youth apprenticeships and more. Cari reviewed a list of long-range plan projects.

- Elementary principal: Lisa Witt reported on professional development. January 20 will be an inservice day with representatives from Marathon County Special Education and CESA presenting. Fastbridge assessments will take place Jan 24-25 for 4K-9th grade. Lisa reported that representatives from Pittsville School District visited Edgar to observe our math teaching. Math Institute will take place June 17-19. Preparation is happening now. K-12 ELA teachers will take a curriculum release day to dig into ELA standards. They have been reviewing text book options. A kindness retreat was held last week and was well-received by students and staff. Family Fun Night will be January 26. End of semester: January 19, with grades due Jan 27. Report cards will be sent home Jan. 30.
- High school principal: Tom McCarty reported that scheduling for next year's seniors down to freshman is taking place. Fastbridge testing for grades 6-8 will be Jan. 24-27. Second semester begins Jan. 24. Student Council met last week and reviewed the policy for having a student representative on the school board. A student representative will be ready for the February school board meeting. Next year's student representative will be chosen in spring and will begin attending board meetings in August. ACT testing will be held in early March.
- Special education update: Megan Korocho reported that the electronic Special Education platform that houses IEPs and other special education documentation will be changing. Megan reported on projected special education numbers for 2023-24 school year, and current numbers of special education students for 2022-23. Megan appreciated her time serving as a kindness retreat leader, and observed that students who were initially reluctant to participate were speaking by the end of the retreat. Megan reported that a student who is attending school for half days is returning to full time.

Board member report:

- Corey Mueller recognized Colin Hansen's work to bring in last week's Walk In Their Shoes presenter. He re-opened discussion of Resolutions for State Education Convention delegation regarding weapons possession on school property and whether they could be allowed for hunter safety, sporting clays clubs or archery for physical education.

Becca will attend, listen to the discussion and vote on behalf of the district on proposed resolutions.

Consent Agenda:

- Approval of prior meeting agendas and minutes, financial statement and bills for payment:
 - A motion was made by Becca Normington, seconded by Gary Lewis, to approve the agenda and minutes for the Dec. 21, 2022, regular school board meeting, as well as the financial statements and payment of bills. Motion carried unanimously.
- Policy:
 - Board members reviewed the following policies:
 - Policy #5113 – Open Enrollment Program: determining annual capacity/space for regular education and special education.
 - No open enrollment limits on regular education
 - Limiting open enrollment for special education – no capacity is available. An exception is made for families who already have students attending within the district.
 - Policy #0141.1 – Student Representative at Board Meetings – second reading.
 - 2023-24 School Calendar will include a full week for spring break, no inservice in September, joint inservice in October, May 30 students end, May 31 teachers end.
 - Act 55 Required Notices Updates:
 - Educational Opportunities – language regarding Youth Option was added.
 - A motion was made by Becca Normington, seconded by Megan Wesolowski, to approve the policies noted above. The motion carried unanimously.
- Finance: Cari and Morgan Mueller discussed ESSER budget updates. Esser I ended in Sept 2022 (all funds available were used); ESSER II funding ends in September 2023 (all funds available will be used); ESSER III funding ends in Sept. 2024. \$2000 for purchasing masks was removed (all funding available will be used). A motion was made by Megan Wesolowski, seconded by Becca Normington, to approve the remaining ESSER budget plans. The motion carried unanimously.

Other business

- None

Public participation: None

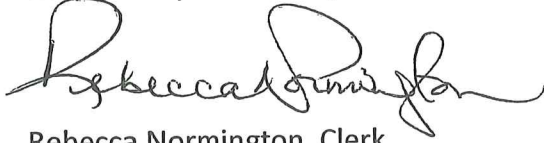
Board suggested future agenda items

- Report on the State Education Convention, and outcome of resolutions at the WASB convention.

Adjournment:

- A motion to adjourn was made by Megan Wesolowski, seconded by Becca Normington. Motion carried unanimously. Meeting was adjourned at 7:17 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Rebecca Normington". The signature is written in black ink and is positioned above the printed name.

Rebecca Normington, Clerk