

SCHOOL DISTRICT OF EDGAR  
REGULAR BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING  
LIBRARY MEDIA CENTER  
October 30, 2024

- 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), 20 guests (Student School Board member was not present).
- 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, Oct. 25, 2024
- F. Recognition of persons wishing to address the Board
  - 1. Public Participation: None
- G. Staff/Student Presentations
  - 1. Curriculum presentation: Elementary, middle school and high school staff presented updates on the ELA curriculum.
  - 2. Continuous Improvement Plan presentation: CIP team members presented updates on the elementary, middle school and high school continuous improvement plan progress and goals for the next year. Lisa Witt was recognized for her dedication to getting Edgar School District prepared in advance for Act 20 implementation.
  - 3. Mental Health Committee presentation: Members of the Mental Health Committee presented an update on activities, results and goals for the upcoming year. Lisa Witt noted that Edgar's Mental Health Committee is unusual because it focuses on both student and staff mental health priorities.
  - 4. IT Director presentation – tabled for a future meeting.
- H. Administrative Reports
  - 1) District Administrator Dr. Cari Guden shared the following:
    - a) September meeting schedule
    - b) Summer school and Third Friday in Sept. pupil counts
      - 1) 385 students participated in summer school in 2024
      - 2) 560 students were reported for the Third Friday count.
    - c) Communication

- 1) Marathon County Special Education board highlights: MCSE is focusing on recruitment and retention. The MCSE board heard a project presentation from students. Edgar students will present next spring.
  - 2) Northcentral Technical College Annual Report
- 2) Building Administrators
- a) Elementary principal Dr. Lisa Witt reported on:
    - 1) Big Buddy update: Structured as Lunch Buddies. Elementary students love the attention from older students.
    - 2) Parent-teacher conferences were held on Oct. 15 and 16. Elementary school had 92% of parents attend.
    - 3) AimswebPlus Screener: Reading and Math screener. Meets Act 20 requirements.
    - 4) Upcoming dates
      - Nov. 1: Popcorn and Parents in recognition of National Family Literacy Day
      - Nov. 5: End of quarter
      - Nov. 6: Start of second quarter
      - Nov. 11: Report cards go home
      - Nov. 11: Veteran's Day celebration with local veterans speaking in each elementary classroom. Luncheon to follow.
      - Nov. 11-15: World Kindness Week celebration
      - Nov. 18: Family Fun Night – Escape room, literacy theme
  - b) Middle/high school principal Mike Wilhelm reported on
    - 1) Marawood Leadership Day: Selected students attended
    - 2) Oct. 30: ACT testing
    - 3) Oct. 15 & 16: parent-teacher conferences – lower attendance than elementary school, in part because attendance, discipline and grades are available via Skyward.
    - 4) Oct. 18: Valuable time spent at the common professional development day hosted by Stratford
    - 5) Oct. 9: PSAT test for juniors
    - 6) BASC/BESS behavioral health screeners for 7<sup>th</sup>, 9<sup>th</sup> and 11<sup>th</sup> grades
    - 7) Nov. 5: End of first quarter
    - 8) Nov. 11: Veteran's Day program
  - c) Special education coordinator Rich Twomey reported:
    - 1) Marathon County Special Education focus is family engagement with the IEP process.
      - IEP meeting attendance, family IEP worksheet to get feedback on student's strengths and needs. Score on IEP team. Case managers must document at least 4 parent interactions per year.
    - 2) Special education teacher instructional coaching cycles for 2024-2025. 4-6 weeks observation, coaching, reflection.
    - 3) Shoutout to Lisa Will for all she is doing to coordinate Act 20 implementation.

- 3) Student board representative Mia Stencil was unable to attend. She shared her report with Mr. Wilhelm who presented it to the school board
    - a) Fall sports are ending
    - b) Excited about winter sports
    - c) Mia has heard good things about Wayfinder
    - d) Field trips to college campuses are underway
    - e) FFA achievement: One of our students competed at the National FFA Convention and earned a silver medal. This was the first ever National FFA Convention and award for Edgar.
    - f) Blood drive today
  - 4) Board member reports:
    - a) School board members attended the WASB Regional Meeting. One recommendation that came out of the meeting was to conduct a roll-call vote to go into closed session and while in closed session. Edgar School Board will adopt that practice.
- I. Consent Agenda:
- 1) Approval of the agenda, minutes, financial statements, and bills for payment
    - a) A motion was made by Becca Normington, seconded by Alison Reinders, to approve the agenda, financial statements, bills for payment, checks #108533 to #108714 plus direct withdrawals totaling \$850,757.43, and minutes for the Sept. 18, 2024, regular board meeting. The motion carried 5-0.
  - 2) Personnel:
    - a) Co-curricular and winter coaching hires
      - JV girls basketball, 6<sup>th</sup> grade girls basketball, varsity assistant boys basketball, JV boys basketball, MS/HS assistant wrestling. A motion was made by Pam Stahel, seconded by Megan Wesolowski, to hire the proposed coaches. The motion carried 5-0.
  - 3) Policy
    - a) Neola updates (second reading) Vol 33, number 2: several policies were presented for review. Only technical changes were made since the first reading.
      - A motion was made by Corey Mueller, seconded by Alison Reinders, to approve the policy recommendations above. The motion carried 5-0.
  - 4) Finance
    - a) Finalize the 2024-2025 district budget. Morgan Mueller presented the Revenue Limit Worksheet and other budget details. A motion was made by Corey Mueller, seconded by Alison Reinders to approve the 2024-25 budget as presented at 9,945,125.84. Motion was carried 5-0.
    - b) Review revenue limits and state aid: We are able to tax the difference between the Total Revenue Limit and State Aid, which equals \$1,710,972.  
A motion was made by Corey Mueller, seconded by Alison Reinders, to approve the 2024-2025 district budget, revenue limits and state aid. The motion carried 5-0.

- c) Set tax levy: A motion was made by Corey Mueller, seconded by Pam Stahel to set the tax levy of \$1,710,972 with a mill rate of 0.00508262 which equates to \$5.08 per thousand value.

J. Other business - None

K. Information only

1. FMLA request
2. Girls basketball volunteer coach

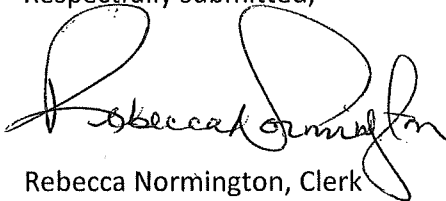
L. Recognition of persons wishing to address the Board:

- District resident Pat Socha attended and shared positive comments.
- District resident and teacher Kristine Hafferman asked questions about Act 20, and asked the board how it can advocate for increased school funding to pay for mandates. School board members discussed school funding advocacy options.

M. Board suggested future agenda items – None

N. Adjourn - A motion to adjourn was made by Megan Wesolowski, seconded by Alison Reinders, to adjourn to executive session under Wis Statute Sec. 19.85(f) and Wis. Statute Sec. 118.125. A roll-call vote was unanimous (Pam Stahel – Yes; Alison Reinders – Yes; Corey Mueller – Yes; Becca Normington – Yes; Megan Wesolowski – Yes). The Regular Board Meeting was adjourned at 9:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Rebecca Normington". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a large loop at the end.

Rebecca Normington, Clerk