SCHOOL DISTRICT OF EDGAR REGULAR BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING LIBRARY MEDIA CENTER September 18, 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), 3 administrators (Cari Guden, Lisa Witt, Mike Wilhelm), 1 student board member, 3 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 Friday, Sept. 13, 2024
- F. Recognition of persons wishing to address the Board
 - 1) Public Participation: None
- G. Staff/Student Presentations
 - Mr. Colin Hanson presented planned programs for A Walk in Their Shoes, year 18, and the programs' connections to the curriculum.
 - Mr. Colin Hanson presented a proposal to establish a chess club.
 - Mr. Rob Rauen presented an update on facilities work completed over the summer.
- H. Administrative Reports
 - 1) District Administrator Dr. Cari Guden shared the following:
 - a) August meeting schedule
 - b) Communication
 - 1) Short-term borrowing information: \$1.3 million, 2.9% interest rate (lower than last year), total of \$37,000 interest. Bookkeeper Morgan Mueller commented that working with PMA is a time saver. We will receive the new borrowing amount as of Oct. 3.
 - 2) Social media report card.
 - 3) Marathon County Special Education board meeting highlights.
 - 4) Medical advisor agreement with Dr. Jeff Lamont
 - 5) Bullying data
 - 6) Reminder that the October school board meeting will be held Oct. 30.
 - 7) WASB Fall regional meeting Oct. 1
 - 8) WASB/WASDA joint convention will be Jan. 21-24, 2025. School board members should consider whether they wish to attend.

- 2) Building Administrators
 - a) Elementary principal Dr. Lisa Witt reported on:
 - 1) Schedules for 2024-2025
 - New teacher mentoring program, Year 1, 2, 3.
 - Educator effectiveness
 - Universal screening schedule
 - Elementary
 - o Special events for 2024-2025
 - o Family Fun Night schedule
 - 2) Act 20 update: Edgar will use aimswebPlus to screen 4K-5th grade students in reading and math. FASTBridge will continue for students in 6th-8th grades.
 - 3) Parent meetings
 - 66% of parents attended parent meetings on Sept. 9, 5:30 and 6:15
 - 4) Elementary school newsletters
 - 5) Important dates
 - Sept. 27: Celebration assembly
 - Sept. 30: Mindful Movement residency with Louise Hornung
 - Oct. 1: Family Fun Night Mindful Movements
 - Oct. 15-16: Parent-Teacher conferences
 - Oct. 17: Teacher in-service
 - Oct. 18: Teacher in-service @ Stratford (CESA joint in-service)
 - Oct. 22: Name Jar author Yang Sook Choi assembly and Family Fun Night
 - b) Middle/high school principal Mike Wilhelm reported on
 - 1) First days of school
 - New bell schedule: students are getting used to the changes
 - Wildcat Time: All MS/HS students. Tracking grades, attendance, social/emotional learning
 - 2) Staff tailgate: Sept. 20 Board members are invited
 - 3) Field trips
 - Sept. 25: Build My Future, NTC, all 10th graders
 - Sept. 26: Wis Education Fair, UWSP, all 11th graders, some 12th graders
 - Oct. 2: Heavy Metal Tour, NTC, all 8th graders
 - 4) Hall of Fame induction: Holly Nowak, Deborah Dahlke
 - 5) Homecoming activities this week
 - 6) Upcoming testing
 - Oct. 15: PSAT
 - Oct. 30: ACT
 - c) Special education coordinator Rich Twomey was not in attendance, but his written report was shared with the board.

- 3) Student board representative report: Mia Stencil
 - a) Students are adjusting to new block schedule starting and ending times
 - b) Getting to know the new teachers and new counselor
 - c) Wildcat Time: Some students don't like it. It takes away from Resource time, it is right before lunch.
 - d) Homecoming: Powderpuff football game on Monday had a good turnout. Hall decorations.
 - e) Fall sports are underway.

4) Board member reports:

- a) The school board received a request for a letter of support for a local park project.
- b) Corey Mueller shared the CESA 9 board meeting: Act 20 update from Amy McGovern. Meetings are the first Wednesday of the month, Edgar School Board members may attend as Corey's guest.

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 #108414 to 108532 plus direct withdrawals totaling \$317,612.28, and minutes from the Aug. 21, 2024, regular board meeting, special board meeting and executive session. The motion carried 5-0.

2) Personnel:

- a) Staff hires: Doug Borchardt, full-time night custodian
- b) Co-curricular hires
- c) Winter coach hires
 - A motion was made by Becca Normington, seconded by Corey Mueller, to approve the staff, co-curricular and winter coach hires.

3) Policy

- a) Policy #5464 Early graduation
- b) Policy #2340 District-sponsored Trips: cross country (Oct. 4, 2024), national FFA convention (Oct. 22-26, 2024), varsity and JV boys and girls wrestling (Dec. 13, 2024), Wausau School Forest (Dec. 19-20, 2024), varsity boys and girls wrestling (Dec. 27, 2024), FFA Halftime conference (Jan. 17-18, 2025), FFA EDGE leadership conference (March 21-22, 2025), FFA Mit Lake fishing trip (May 31-June 6, 2025), State FFA convention (June 9-12, 2025).
- c) Neola updates First reading, Vol 33, number 2: several policies were presented for review.
 - A motion was made by Megan Wesolowski, seconded by Pam Stahel, to approve the policy recommendations above. The motion carried 5-0.

4) Finance

- a) ESSER grant funding to support education through COVID 19 pandemic: Final ESSER budget. Funding ends Sept. 30. Edgar allocated 100% of funds available.
- b) Chess Club funding request.

A motion was made by Alison Reinders, seconded by Pam Stahel, to approve the final ESSER funds and up to \$1,500 for a trial of a newly established chess club. The motion carried 5-0.

- J. Other business None
- K. Information only
 - Technical corrections on policies
 - MCSE school nurse long-term sub
 - Temporary position: Counselor mentor
- L. Recognition of persons wishing to address the Board:
 - None
- M. Adjourn A motion to adjourn was made by Pam Stahel, seconded by Megan Wesolowski. The motion carried 5-0. The Regular Board Meeting was adjourned at 7:50 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Rebecca Normington, Clerk