

# **WRIGHTSTOWN BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING**

**Wednesday, November 20, 2024**

**6:00 p.m.**

**Elementary Multi-Purpose Room**

## **OPENING OF MEETING**

Hansen-Winker called the meeting to order at 6:01 p.m.

Pledge of Allegiance

Board Members Present: Angela Hansen-Winker, Tiffany Van Vreede, Rayn Warner, Melinda Lemke, Tony Decker, Michael Mollen, and Jeff Nelson.

Board Members Absent:

## **STUDENT ACHIEVEMENT: MIDDLE SCHOOL ART AND HIGH SCHOOL 3-D STUDENTS**

Middle School and High School Art teachers, Jill Bailey and Jessica Johnson along with their students Olivia Leick, Katalina Rogers, Jules Martinez, and Kimberly Martinez shared some of the great things they are doing.

## **COMMUNITY RECOGNITION**

Mike Schoenwalder spoke on community members and businesses that donated time, equipment, and materials to the projects and how to recognize these people.

## **OPEN FORUM**

Tiffany Van Vreede spoke regarding comments made at a previous Board meeting.

Jason Gerend spoke regarding his concerns on the bills listings.

## **BOARD OF EDUCATION MINUTES**

Nelson made a motion to approve the October 16, 2024 regular meeting minutes. Seconded by Mollen. Motion carried. Roll call vote-Rayn-no; Tiffany-no; Melinda-no; Jeff-yes; Angela-yes; Mike-yes; Tony-yes

Mollen made a motion to approve the November 6, 2024 workshop meeting minutes. Seconded by Decker. Motion carried.

## **INTERNATIONAL CLASS TRIP PROPOSAL**

Scott Thompson, Jessica Johnson, and Jill Bailey presented a proposal for an international class trip to Paris/Rome in the 2026-2027 school year.

## **2025-2026 SCHOOL CALENDAR**

Nelson made a motion to approve the 2025-2026 school calendar as presented. Seconded by Mollen. Motion carried.

## **FOUR DAY 4K PROGRAM**

Lemke made a motion to approve the addition of a four day 4K program to start in the 2025-2026 school year. Seconded by Van Vreede. Motion carried.

## **DISTRICT GOALS FOR STUDENT ACHIEVEMENT**

Administrators presented the DPI school & district report cards as a part of the quarterly review of student achievement growth per the 2024-2025 District goals.

## **HIGH SCHOOL COURSE PROPOSAL**

Scott Thompson presented a new course option in Civics for the 2025-2026 school year.

### **POSSIBLE CHANGE IN DATE OF DECEMBER WORKSHOP MEETING**

Decker made a motion to move the December workshop meeting from December 4, 2024 to December 11, 2024. Seconded by Nelson. Motion carried.

### **FINANCE UPDATE**

Van Vreede made a motion to approve the payment of the November 2024 General Fund Bills Listing, check #1065837 through #1065946 and ACH payments #242500034 through #242500328 for a total of \$722,805.26 and the October 2024 Receipts for a total of \$121,214.27. Seconded by Hansen-Winker. Finance report failed.

### **ADMINISTRATIVE & BOARD REPORTS**

Andy Space reported on:

- Thank you to Craig, Shelly, Lisa for everything they do in the activities department.
- Thank you to the students and staff for the wonderful Veterans Program.
- Thank you to the staff for their help with the Thanksgiving meal and Giving Tree for Wrightstown families.
- Thank you Tanya and Dan for their help with the health insurance open enrollment meetings.
- Moving the time of the workshop meeting on December 11, 2024 to 5:30 to allow board members to attend both the meeting and parent teacher conferences at the High School.

Caroline Mihalski reported on:

- The special education staff has been working on preparing for a transition to a new special education software called GoIDEA.
- Restorative Practice training for the new staff has been completed.
- Nonviolent Crisis Intervention training for the administrative team was also completed.
- Thank you to Mrs. Braun for her work in writing the Opioid Prevention Grant.
- The district-wide behavior-focused classroom has several students benefiting from the excellent support.

Bob Caelwaerts reported on:

- The Middle School Building Leadership Team organized our end of 1st quarter assembly.
- The 5th grade students have begun receiving instruction from the Junior Achievement Our Nation curriculum.
- A special thank you to the High School, Mr. Thompson and Mr. Erickson in particular for letting our middle school students attend the Veterans Day assembly.
- U.S. News and World Report has ranked Wrightstown Middle School as the #49 Middle School in WI.

Scott Thompson reported on:

- The first quarter finished on November 1st.
- The High School Christmas concert will be on December 9th.
- The FBLA Senior Citizen Christmas party will be held on December 12th.
- The freshman participated in the Respect Retreat on November 12th.
- The High School ordered 168 AP exams this year.
- Thank you to Derek Erickson for coordinating the Veteran's Day program at the High School.
- The One Act Play performed their public performance on November 20th. Unfortunately, they did not advance to the State competition.
- The High School had 12 Golden Apple nominees.

Craig Haese reported on:

- The cross country team wrapped up their season. With a young team this year, we will be returning several runners next year.
- The boys soccer team ended their season in the first round of regional playoffs.
- The volleyball team ended their season in the second round of regional playoffs.
- The football team will be returning to Camp Randall for a shot at the State Championship this week.
- The girls basketball season has begun with their first game at home against Seymour.
- The boys basketball and wrestling seasons will have their first competitions in December after a late start with most of the team still participating in football.
- The girls wrestling team continues to grow in numbers each year. Wrightstown will host the girls wrestling regional in February.

Dan Storch reported on:

- Open enrollment meetings for health insurance held this week.
- Corey Jeffers has been in and working with Kris Baeten.
- There is an offer on the table for the Network Technician
- 25-26 budget

Sarah Nelson reported on:

- Thank you to Redefining Futures Foundation for their generous donation of the Book Vending Machine.
- The Elementary School hosted a Camp Learn S'More event.
- Parent Teacher Conferences were held last week.
- The Elementary staff spent their first Act 20 professional development day learning more about early literacy, AimswebPlus training, and how to administer the screener to the students.
- The Elementary School is revamping the report cards to match what is happening in the classroom.

### **MEETING SUMMARY**

Next workshop meeting will be December 11, 2024 at 5:30 pm.

Next board meeting will be December 18, 2024 at 6:00 pm.

### **ADJOURNMENT**

Motion by Mollen to adjourn the meeting at 7:32 p.m. Seconded by Decker. Motion carried.

Tony Decker, Board Clerk