

WRIGHTSTOWN BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING

Wednesday, October 16, 2024

6:00 p.m.

Elementary Multi-Purpose Room

OPENING OF MEETING

Hansen-Winker called the meeting to order at 6:00 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: PRINCIPAL RECOGNITION

The Board recognized High School Principal, Scott Thompson and Assistant Principal Craig Haese for achieving 100% graduation rate in the 2023-24 school year.

The Board recognized building Principals, Scott Thompson, Craig Haese, Bob Caelwaerts, and Sarah Nelson for National Principal Month.

OPEN FORUM

Tanya Oswald spoke regarding her concerns about board issues.

Mike Schoenwalder spoke regarding the improvements made to the High School baseball field.

Nicole Gerend spoke regarding her concerns about board issues.

BOARD OF EDUCATION MINUTES

Nelson made a motion to approve the September 18, 2024 regular meeting minutes. Seconded by Warner. Motion carried.

Decker made a motion to approve the September 23, 2024 special meeting minutes. Seconded by Mollen. Motion carried.

Nelson made a motion to approve the October 2, 2024 workshop meeting minutes. Seconded by Warner. Motion carried.

POLICY SECOND READ

Nelson made a motion to approve Policy 6320-Purchasing. Seconded by Mollen. Motion carried. Nelson made a motion to approve Policy 7100-Facilities Planning. Seconded by Decker. Motion carried.

Mollen made a motion to approve Policy 6210-Fiscal Planning. Seconded by Decker. Motion carried.

Nelson made a motion to table Bylaw 0164-Meetings. Seconded by Mollen. Motion carried.

FINANCE UPDATE

Van Vreede made a motion to approve the payment of the October 2024 General Fund Bills Listing, check #1065692 through #1065836 and ACH payments #242500152 through #242500231 for a total of \$515,553.07 and the September 2024 Receipts for a total of \$1,661,393.18. Seconded by Warner. Motion carried.

Dan Storch presented his Finance report and the Third Friday Count.

2024-25 SCHOOL YEAR TAX LEVY & FINAL BUDGET ADJUSTMENTS

Warner made a motion to set the 2024-25 General Fund Tax Levy of \$4,402,557, a Debt Service Levy of \$2,090,579, and a community Service Levy of \$449,800 for a total 2024 Tax Levy, as required by statute by November 6 of \$6,942,936 and the 2024-2025 budget adjustments as presented. Seconded by Nelson. Motion carried.

ADMINISTRATIVE & BOARD REPORTS

Andy Space reported on:

- Middle School Parent Teacher Conference will be held next week and Elementary PTC will be in early November.
- There is no school October 25 for the district and no school on November 15 for only Elementary students.
- November 1 is the end of the first quarter.
- Thank you to Penny and Sarah for their work on the Read-a-thon.
- Thank you for Craig for all of your hard work.
- Congratulations to Dan for acquiring a \$5000 award from T Mobile for the district.

Caroline Mihalski reported on:

- The State Superintendent Conference on Special Education was held today. The WCASS conference will be Thursday and Friday.
- The Wrightstown Middle School and High School formed their new groups of Sources of Strength Peer Leaders for this year. Both groups were trained separately in early October and had great days of learning about resilience and how to spread this message to others.
- A huge thank you to Mrs. Braun and Mrs. Barnes, as well as all other Sources of Strength Adult Leaders, for their work in organizing and leading the Color Blaze Run that brings messages of resiliency to the Wrightstown Community.
- All special education teachers, therapists, counselors, health staff, and RTI staff have hit the ground running with students. They are already providing excellent instruction, interventions, and support in the first two months of the school year. Teacher Assistance Teams are working hard to support students and are doing a fantastic job.
- School staff have worked together to support students needing mental health therapy, and the School-Based Mental Health Therapist through Family Services is already on her full one-day-per-week schedule.

Bob Caelwaerts reported on:

- The Middle School staff has been working on the alignment of the ELA curriculum with Beth Vande Hey from CESA 7 again this year. Staff has also been working with Jessica Cappeart from CESA 7 in continued implementation of a co-teaching model in our math classrooms.
- The Fall sports seasons have come to an end. We also have several clubs and activities up and running at the middle school which allows students more opportunities to build school connections that contribute to their success.
- The 7th grade class will be attending a Courage Retreat this Friday. Youth Frontiers is the organization that conducts the retreat centered around using courage to do the right thing and making responsible decisions despite their fears.
- Parent-Teacher conferences will take place next week on Monday and Wednesday.

Scott Thompson reported on:

- Parent Teacher conferences took place October 2nd.
- The One Act Play advanced through regionals today at Ashwaubenon. Sectionals will be on November 6 at Oconto Falls.
- AP student meetings will take place next week to talk about exam ordering and the process. They need to make a decision by November 15.
- Meetings with staff have begun to discuss goals for the upcoming school.
- Grades 6-12 social studies staff met on October 4 to talk about vertical alignment and also possible changes in the scope and sequence of classes at the high school.

Craig Haese reported on:

- The girls golf team had one individual qualify for Sectionals. Ella Swanson placed 17th overall.
- The volleyball team earned a #3 seed in the WIAA Regional and will play the winner of Sturgeon Bay and Tomahawk next week.
- The soccer team earned a #9 seed in the WIAA Regional and will play Clintonville next week.
- The cross country team will compete in the NEC meet this week with Sectionals in Kiel next week.
- The football team will wrap up their regular season this week and playoffs will begin next week. Pairings will be announced this weekend.
- The varsity baseball field got a facelift with help from the Wisconsin Timber Rattlers. Sod from Fox Cities Stadium was donated and placed on the varsity field. Thank you to Mike Schoenwalder and WABA for their work on this project.

Sarah Nelson reported on:

- The 2nd Annual Read-a-thon is coming to an end on Friday. The students have collected \$16,890. The 524 students read 192,710 minutes. Thank you to all of our donors for helping make this a success for our school.
 - There were nightly stories read to our students by mystery readers every night at 6:00 pm on Facebook.
 - Rebecca Ludtke's high school classes joined the Elementary classes to read stories.
- The Kindergarteners celebrated being readers by having a "We are readers parade" through the halls and then ended with a disco party.
- The first data dig was completed. Staff met to talk about the students to make sure that we are focusing on the whole child to meet their needs in ELA, Math and SEL.
- The ACT 20 team has been continuing to plan and develop the necessary requirements for ACT 20. The team is ready to hit the ground running when the assessment window opens in January. Thank you to Kristin Higgins, Shannon Skaletski, Megan Kuntz and Emily Geiger for joining me on the team.

MEETING SUMMARY

Angela read a statement from the Board.

Next workshop meeting will be November 6, 2024.

Next board meeting will be November 20, 2024.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Hansen-Winker to adjourn the meeting at 7:35 p.m. Seconded by Nelson. Motion carried.

Tony Decker, Board Clerk