

WRIGHTSTOWN BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING

Wednesday, December 20, 2023

6:00 p.m.

Elementary Multi-Purpose Room

OPENING OF MEETING

Nicole Gerend called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

Pledge of Allegiance

Board Members Present: Maggie Boland, Melinda Lemke, Nicole Gerend, Jeff Nelson, Angela Hansen-Winker, Tiffany Van Vreede, Rayn Warner

Board Members Absent:

STUDENT ACHIEVEMENT: STEVE DOELL & FBLA

Steve Doell, Madelyn Eiting, Amber Radtke, and Sab Narvasa shared information on FBLA, their fundraising campaigns, and the community service projects they participate in each year.

OPEN FORUM FOR PUBLIC COMMENT

No comments from the floor.

BOARD OF EDUCATION MINUTES

Warner made a motion to approve the November 15, 2023 regular session minutes. Seconded by Boland. Motion carried.

Van Vreede made a motion to approve the November 29, 2023 special meeting minutes. Seconded by Boland. Motion carried.

Hansen-Winker made a motion to approve the December 6, 2023 workshop minutes. Seconded by Nelson. Motion carried.

PERSONNEL

Hansen-Winker made a motion to approve the addition of Brooke Hawkins and the resignation of Julie Radue. Seconded by Warner. Motion carried.

EARLY GRADUATION REQUESTS

Hansen-Winker made a motion to approve the three early graduation requests as presented by Scott Thompson. Seconded by Lemke. Motion carried.

2024-25 CALENDAR UPDATES

Nelson made a motion to approve the changes to the 2024-25 school calendar. Seconded by Van Vreede. Motion carried.

2022-23 AUDIT REPORT

Warner made a motion to approve the 2022-23 Audit Report. Seconded by Lemke. Motion carried.

FINANCE

- A. Hansen-Winker made a motion to approve the payment of the December 2023 General Fund Bills Listing, check #1064450 through #1064562 for a total of \$533,609.34, the December 2023 Building Fund Bills Listing, check #3214 for a total of \$6,595.00, and the November 2023 Receipts for a total of \$176,813.48. Seconded by Warner. Motion carried.

B. Finance Report by Dan Storch

- The 2024-2025 budget has begun. We are in the 2nd year of the biennium.

ADMINISTRATIVE & BOARD REPORTS

Andy Space reported on:

- The school district received a boundary request from Austin and Eileen Webster.
- The DPI selected WCSD for a ESEA review.
- The DPI also selected WCSD for a Civil Rights Compliance review.
- The Greater Green Bay Chamber will be adding WCSD information and logo to their website.
- Thank you to the community members and staff who donated gifts, food, money, and time to plan and organize the Thanksgiving meals and Giving Tree programs. These programs help the less fortunate in our district.
- The FBLA hosted their annual Senior Citizen/Grandparent Christmas party with over 260 attending.
- Thank you to the music department for organizing such wonderful Christmas programs.
- Merry Christmas and Happy New Year to the board and everyone in attendance.

Caroline Mihalski reported on:

- Several of our teachers have completed training for this year's Dynamic Learning Map Assessment for our students who receive this alternate assessment this spring.
- Thank you to Mrs. Post, Mrs. Boylan, Mrs. Hansen, Ms. Poelzer, and Mrs. Gustafson for conducting Child Development Days on Dec 8th.
- The WCASS Board of Directors meeting was in Wausau on Dec 11.
- Our district has partnered with Care Solace starting in the spring of 2022 to help students, staff, and their families quickly connect to mental health treatment providers in our community.

Bob Caelwaerts reported on:

- The US News and World Report released their rankings for Wisconsin middle schools and Wrightstown Middle School ranks #35 in the state.
- The Middle School Holiday concert took place on December 13th.
- Students have been enjoying the past several days leading into our holiday break.
- Our Student Leadership group is sponsoring a cookie decorating contest.

Scott Thompson reported on:

- Scheduling for the upcoming school year has begun. Students are meeting with class advisors and choosing their courses.
- The 13th Annual FBLA Christmas Party had over 260 attendees. Thank you to Steve Doell and the FBLA students.
- Thank you to Betsy Kuhn on her work with the Eco Club Toy Drive.
- The Christmas Concert was held on December 4th. Thank you to Lindsay Tippins and Eileen Carlton and accompanist Debbie Schaeuble.
- The Senior Snowball will be held on January 20th.
- Thank you to Ashley Post who is leading the Restorative Practices team at the high school and also facilitating monthly activities at our staff meetings.

Craig Haese reported on:

- The girls basketball team is currently 4-4 with two big wins over Freedom and Marinette.
- The boys basketball team is 2-3 with a couple of tough losses to Little Chute and Brillion.
- The wrestling team has started with a loss to Freedom. We will be hosting the Bill Verbeten Classic along with our 3rd annual Girls Wrestling Invite on December 22.
- The dance team has started to compete and are performing more solo performances this year with the smaller number of dancers on the team.

- Thank you to the Sources of Strength groups from Wrightstown and Freedom for hosting a fundraiser during the boys basketball game with Freedom.
- The Wellness Center is partnering with Crush Nutrition & Kickin' It with the Cows for a 12 week walking initiative.

Sarah Nelson reported on:

- 4K registration was held December 7.
- The WES Christmas Concert will be held December 21.
- Parent Network supplied all of our students with a sweet treat, salty treat and drink as a way to celebrate Christmas.
- WES holds buddy up events where the classrooms partner with a classroom in a different grade. It is great to see these activities connect with our community.

A. Meeting Summary

Nicole Gerend gave updates for next month's meeting:

Jan 10 - Board workshop

Jan 17-19 - State Education Convention

Jan 24 - Regular meeting

Feb 7 - Board workshop

Feb 10 - Board Retreat with Lee Pritzl

Feb 21 - Regular meeting

Look at possibly moving the March workshop to March 13 because of spring break and then move the regular meeting to March 27.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Gerend made a motion to convene into Executive Session at 6:44 pm per statute 19.85(1)(c)

Considering employment, promotion, compensation or performance evaluation data of any public employee over which the governmental body has jurisdiction or exercises responsibility; Seconded by Van Vreede. Roll call vote: Van Vreede - Yes; Boland – Yes; Warner – Yes; Lemke – Yes; Gerend – Yes; Nelson – Yes; Hansen-Winker – Yes.

RECONVENE IN OPEN SESSION

Van Vreede made a motion to convene into Open Session at 7:09 pm. Seconded by Boland. Roll call vote: Boland - Yes; Van Vreede - Yes; Gerend - Yes; Lemke - Yes; Nelson - Yes; Hansen-Winker - Yes; Warner - Yes. Motion carried.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Bolan to adjourn meeting at 7:09 p.m. Seconded by Van Vreede. Motion carried.

Maggie Boland, Board Clerk