

WRIGHTSTOWN BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING

Wednesday, January 24, 2024

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: JILL BAILEY

Jill Bailey, HS Art teacher along with HS Art students Drew Skaletski, Amelie Twaroski, and Lauren Van Noie shared their art pieces that were chosen to be displayed at the WASB State Education Convention last week. Students Elise Anderson and Julia Martinez also had pieces chosen to be displayed and placed in the top 10 for their artwork.

OPEN FORUM FOR PUBLIC COMMENT

Michael Mollen spoke about the hiring of consultants.

BOARD OF EDUCATION MINUTES

Van Vreede made a motion to approve the December 20, 2023 regular session minutes. Seconded by Lemke. Motion carried.

Boland made a motion to approve the January 10, 2024 workshop minutes. Seconded by Warner. Motion carried.

PERSONNEL

Nelson made a motion to approve the addition of Pamela Koback and the resignation of Matthew Winrich. Seconded by Boland. Motion carried.

UNPAID LEAVE REQUESTS

Boland made a motion to approve the unpaid leave requests for Jessica Pennenberg and Ellie Wendorf. Seconded by Nelson. Motion carried.

EARLY GRADUATION REQUESTS

Nelson made a motion to approve an early graduation request as presented by Andy Space. Seconded by Hansen-Winker. Motion carried.

AVAILABILITY OF SPACE FOR OPEN ENROLLMENT

Van Vreede made a motion to approve the availability for the 2024-25 Regular and Special Education Open Enrollment as follows. Seconded by Boland. Motion carried.

2024-2025 Regular Open Enrollment Seats		
10 - 4K	0 - Grade 5	23 - Grade 9
0 - K	0 - Grade 6	25 - Grade 10
0 - Grade 1	0 - Grade 7	27 - Grade 11
0 - Grade 2	0 - Grade 8	17 - Grade 12
0 - Grade 3		
0 - Grade 4		

2024-2025 Special Education Open Enrollment Seats		
0 - 4K	0 - Grade 5	0 - Grade 9
0 - K	0 - Grade 6	0 - Grade 10
0 - Grade 1	0 - Grade 7	0 - Grade 11
0 - Grade 2	0 - Grade 8	0 - Grade 12
0 - Grade 3		
0 - Grade 4		

FINANCE

A. Hansen-Winker made a motion to approve the payment of the January 2024 General Fund Bills Listing, check #1064563 through #1064663 and ACH payments 232400019 through 232400041 for a total of \$391,017.72 and the December 2023 Receipts for a total of \$2,783,021.73. Seconded by Warner. Motion carried.

B. Finance Report by Dan Storch

- We are moving to ACH payments with many of our vendors.
- The Wisconsin Employment Relations Commission has released data regarding CPI increases for school contracts for the 2024-2025 school year. While the CPI number is 4.12%, the school board and administration will work together to determine the increases.

ADMINISTRATIVE & BOARD REPORTS

Andy Space reported on:

- The WASB Convention was last week in Milwaukee.
- The Middle School spelling bee was today.
- The January PAC meeting was held at Lambeau Field and focused on leadership.
- Thank you to the staff and administration for a great first semester.

Caroline Mihalski reported on:

- Thank you to our special education teams for their work on evaluations for our students from Early Childhood through high school.

- Thank you to our Teacher Assistance Teams in each building that work hard to brainstorm student interventions.
- Our English learning staff have been administering ACCESS testing with our students with English as a second language.
- The District Crisis Team met this past Friday during the in-service time to review your approved Crisis Response Plan.

Bob Caelwaerts reported on:

- The Middle School hosted their school wide spelling bee today.
- Students participated in the 2nd quarter assembly on January 19th.
- The High School leadership class came to the Middle School on January 10th to work with the 8th grade students.
- Thank you to the Board for allowing Bob to attend the WASB convention last week.

Scott Thompson reported on:

- First semester is completed. Staff is finalizing grades and getting report cards out.
- We are working on scheduling for the 2024-25 school year.
- The senior snowball was held last Saturday in the cafeteria.
- FBLA regionals will be held on February 3 in Gillette.
- There was an FBLA college freshman panel two weeks ago.
- Preston Peterson and Hannah Finer were recognized by the State VFW for the audio essays they submitted in the Voice of Democracy contest as a part of their participation in the Advanced Speech class.
- Our Restorative practices book study is winding down.

Craig Haese reported on:

- Congratulations to the dance team for their continued success in the team and solo competitions.
- The Girls Basketball team is currently 9-7 overall.
- The Boys Basketball team is currently 6-10 overall.
- The Wrestling team finished 3rd at the NEC duals. Regionals will be in Two Rivers on Feb. 10th.
- The Wrightstown National Honor Society along with the Clintonville National Honor Society hosted a Fly Away Cancer event that raised over \$8,000 during the Boys & Girls Basketball double header. The proceeds went to help a Wrightstown native who was diagnosed with cancer recently.

Sarah Nelson reported on:

- The Christmas concert was a huge success.
- The Laundry Love Coin War is currently going on in the Elementary School.
- Over 1200 decodable books for our students have arrived.
- January was a chance to connect with each staff member in the Elementary School and talk about 5 questions.
- January has been full of assessments. This data will be used to ensure that all students' needs are being met.
- We will be working with CESA 7 on ACT 20 training for the 2024-25 school year.

A. Jeff, Angela, Rayn and Nicole shared their takeaways from the WASB convention.

B. Meeting Summary

Nicole Gerend gave updates for next month's meeting:

- workshop 2/7
- retreat 2/10
- 2/21 meeting at the HS

- 3/13 workshop
- 3/27 meeting

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Gerend made a motion to convene into Executive Session at 6:57 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 Boland. 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 7:45 pm. Seconded by Lemke. Roll call vote: Boland - Yes; Van Vreede - Yes; Gerend - Yes; Lemke - Yes; Nelson - Yes; Hansen-Winker - Yes; Warner - Yes. Motion carried.

ADMINISTRATIVE CONTRACTS

Boland made a motion to approve the Administrative contracts for the 2025-2026 school year as presented. Seconded by Hansen-Winker. Motion carried.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Van Vreede to adjourn the meeting at 7:46 p.m. Seconded by Lemke. Motion carried.

Maggie Boland, Board Clerk