

# WRIGHTSTOWN BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING

Wednesday, October 18, 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: WHS Dance Team

Members of the 2023-24 WHS Dance team shared information on their competitions/performances and events they participated in to raise money for the team. Irelynn Donovan, Julianna Coenen, Lilly Wendricks, Audrey Skaletski, Aubrey Stradel, and Audrey Schaumberg also shared why they love being a part of the dance team.

## OPEN FORUM FOR PUBLIC COMMENT

Linda Clemedtson shared her concerns regarding taxes and the human growth and development curriculum. Ron Zahn shared his concerns regarding debt defeasance.

## BOARD OF EDUCATION MINUTES

Boland made a motion to approve the amended April 17, 2023 regular session minutes. Seconded by Nelson. Motion carried.

Boland made a motion to approve the September 18, 2023 regular session minutes. Seconded by Warner. Motion carried.

Van Vreede made a motion to approve the October 11, 2023 workshop minutes. Seconded by Lemke. Motion carried.

## PERSONNEL

Hansen-Winker made a motion to approve the addition of Brea Bernklau. Seconded by Boland. Motion carried.

## HUMAN GROWTH & DEVELOPMENT AD HOC COMMITTEE

Nelson made a motion to table the committee approval. Seconded by Warner. Motion carried.

## TAX LEVY & FINAL BUDGET ADJUSTMENTS

Hansen-Winker made a motion to drop the mill rate to \$6.65, seconded by Nelson. Roll call vote; Nelson-yes, Lemke-no, Boland-no, Gerend-no, Van Vreede-no, Warner-no, Hansen-Winker-yes. Motion failed. Van Vreede made a motion to set the 2023 General Fund Tax Levy of \$4,565,618, the Debt Service Levy of \$2,500,000, the Community Service Levy at \$250,000.00 for a total 2023 Tax Levy, as required by statute by November 6, at \$7,315,618 and the 2023 Budget at \$23,239,332.93 as proposed. Seconded by Boland. Roll call vote; Nelson-no, Lemke-yes, Boland -yes, Gerend-yes, Van Vreede-yes, Warner-yes, Hansen-Winker-no. Motion carried.

## FINANCE

- A. Hansen-Winker made a motion to approve the payment of the October 2023 General Fund Bills Listing, check #1064186 through #1064332 for a total of \$676,983.41, the October 2023

Building Fund Bills Listing, check #3211 through #3213 for a total of \$10,762.90, and the September 2023 Receipts for a total of \$1,495,701.37. Seconded by Van Vreede. Motion carried.

B. Finance Report by Dan Storch

- Information was shared in the Tax Levy & Final Budget Adjustments agenda item.

ADMINISTRATIVE & BOARD REPORTS

Andy Space reported on:

- Wrightstown hosted the DPI Fall Arts & Creativity Consultant Tour on October 3. Thank you to Jill Bailey, Jessica Johnson, and Ashley Moser for your help showcasing our talented students.
- Andy met with Bellin Health on October 4th to discuss opportunities for our school district in the future.
- At the October 6th CESA PAC meeting, state legislators were in attendance to discuss school topics.
- The kickoff to the district read-a-thon began on October 12th. He was able to read to the 1st grade classes.
- There is no school on October 20.
- The WASDA Regional meeting will be held on October 24.
- The WASB Regional meeting will be held on October 25 in Green Bay.
- November 3rd is the end of the 1st quarter.

Caroline Mihalski reported on:

- During the past month I have met with staff in regard to their Student Learning Objectives for the school year.
- On October 4th a group of Middle School students completed the Sources of Strength Peer Leader Training.
- The early childhood team hosted Child Development Days on October 5th and 6th.
- Ashley Post hosted our annual Nonviolent Crisis Intervention Training with staff who are new this year and a refresher training with student services staff.
- We continue to collaborate with alternative education agencies that serve a small number of our students.

Bob Caelwaerts reported on:

- The Middle School will be hosting our Flu Clinic on October 19.
- Parent Teacher conferences were held at the middle school on October 16 and October 18.
- The Middle School fall sports season has come to an end. There are several clubs and activities running throughout the school year.
- The Middle School Fall concert will be held on Oct. 25th at 1:30 pm.

Scott Thompson reported on:

- Parent Teacher conferences took place October 4 and participation was offered in person or virtual.
- The One Act Play advanced through regionals. Sectionals will be on November 1 at Oconto Falls.
- AP student meetings will take place next week to talk about exam ordering and the process for doing so.
- The Music Department fundraiser will be running from October 2- November 3.
- This year the High School musical will be Grease. Performances will be held on November 9, 10, 11 at 7:00 pm.

- Our second staff meeting included our book study on Hacking School Discipline as we work towards implementing Restorative Practices. We also had Holly Valentine in from NWTC to talk to staff about transcribed credit opportunities for our students.

Craig Haese reported on:

- Freshman, Ella Swanson, qualified for the WIAA Girls Golf Sectional tournament.
- The Volleyball team lost against Sturgeon Bay in the first round of playoffs.
- The Boys Soccer team will host Green Bay NEW Lutheran on October 19 to open the WIAA playoffs.
- The Football team will host Sturgeon Bay in the Level 1 WIAA playoffs on October 20.
- The Cross Country team will compete in the WIAA Sectional meet on October 21 in New London.
- We were able to donate close to \$200 from the September 28th 50/50 raffle to Make-A-Wish Wisconsin for the Wisconsin Athletic Directors Association Make-A-Wish week.
- The volleyball's annual Dig Pink Night raised over \$3000 for Ribbon of Hope which is a local organization that helps women locally who are currently coping with breast cancer.

Sarah Nelson reported on:

- Parent Teacher conferences were held at the middle school on October 16 and October 18.
- We have been providing professional development for our teachers and providing subs for them to work with Julie Johnson for math and Megan Kuntz for ELA.
- The Elementary staff held their first data day for the year.
- The Elementary school started a Read-a-thon fundraiser to promote reading and raise money for the school.
- The High School band and choir put on a pep band and choir show for the 4th grade students.

#### A. Meeting Summary

Nicole Gerend gave updates for next month's meeting:

- January convention-please let Andy know if they will attend and possibly move the January BOE meeting to January 24.
- Workshop meeting on December 16 at Fallen Timbers, 8 am - 2 pm with Lee Pritzl.
- Next BOE will be Wednesday, November 15 at 6:00 pm.

#### EXECUTIVE SESSION

Gerend made a motion to convene into Executive Session at 7:49 pm per statute 19.85(1)(g) for legal and 19.85(1)(b)(c)(f) for personnel; 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 adjourn the executive session and reconvene into open session at 9:20. Seconded by Nelson. Motion carried.

#### ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Warner to adjourn meeting at 9:20 p.m. Seconded by Van Vreede. Motion carried.

Maggie Boland, Board Clerk