

# **WRIGHTSTOWN BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING**

**Wednesday, September 18, 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, and Michael Mollen.

Board Members Absent: Jeff Nelson

## **STUDENT ACHIEVEMENT**

Middle School student-athletes Reed Bastianello, Landon Van Dyke, Oscar Chiquito, and London Dockum spoke on what they love about participating in Middle School sports. Otto Sukow spoke on the importance of Middle School athletics and activities for our students.

## **OPEN FORUM**

No comments from the floor.

## **BOARD OF EDUCATION MINUTES**

Decker made a motion to approve the August 21, 2024 regular meeting minutes. Seconded by Mollen. Motion carried.

Mollen made a motion to approve the September 4, 2024 workshop meeting minutes. Seconded by Decker. Motion carried.

## **PERSONNEL REPORT**

Lemke made a motion to approve the retirement of Kris Baeten. Seconded by Decker. Motion carried.

## **ANNUAL SECLUSION AND RESTRAINT REPORT**

Caroline Mihalski, Student Services Director, presented the 2023-24 Seclusion and Restraint Report. Van Vreede made a motion to approve the report as presented by Caroline Mihalski. Seconded by Decker. Motion carried.

2023-24 Seclusion and Restraint Report:

- Total number of incidences of seclusion or restraint: 20
- Total number of students involved in seclusion or restraint: 10
- Total number of students with disabilities who were involved in the seclusion or restraint incidents: 10

## **FINANCE UPDATE**

Van Vreede made a motion to approve the payment of the September 2024 General Fund Bills Listing, check #1065567 through #1065690 and ACH payments #242500087 through #242500151 for a total of \$656,553.06, September 2024 Building Funds Bills Listing, check #3231 for a total of \$252,810.21 and the August 2024 Receipts for a total of \$1,723,318.94. Seconded by Warner. Motion carried.

## **ADMINISTRATIVE & BOARD REPORTS**

Andy Space reported on:

- The start of school is off to a fantastic start.

- The Third Friday Count will be this Friday.
- The Annual Meeting will be held Wednesday, September 25, 2024 at 6:00 pm.
- Thank you to Mike Schoenwalder and the Wisconsin Timber Rattlers for providing free removal and installation of the new infield on our Varsity baseball field.
- Thank you to Chris Knapp and the maintenance staff for getting the buildings and grounds ready for the new school year.
- Thank you also to Kris Baeten and the technology team for getting all of the new updated software installed and providing training for our staff.
- Thank you to Katie Huey and the food service staff for providing meals for the students and staff.
- Thank you to the Administrative team for their tireless work preparing for the new year.
- Thank you to Hillary and Tanya for keeping the district office running smoothly.

Caroline Mihalski reported on:

- This year has been a great start. I would like to thank Angie Sanderfoot-McNabb for her great work with supporting special education staff.
- With the transition to the updated version of Skyward, we have been able to have our special education staff participate in training to support them. There have been some challenges with Skyward and the staff have done a beautiful job of being patient through those challenges.

Bob Caelwaerts reported on:

- WMS held our Open House on August 21st which was very well attended.
- During the week of August 26th, we welcomed several 5th grade students in a special summer school class called "I'm in the Middle".
- I would like to officially welcome our new staff, special education teacher, Tammy Lewis, music and choir teacher, Rachel McCully, and band director, Zachary Baker to WMS.
- I conducted class meetings with each grade level. This was a great opportunity to discuss building standards and expectations.
- We held our 2024-2025 school year kick off assembly on Sept. 13th.

Scott Thompson reported on:

- Homecoming is taking place this week. Thank you to Amy Recob and the Student Council for all of their planning the activities.
- Class meetings were held to discuss the start of school, check in with freshmen and talk about the change in graduation requirements and the importance of getting off to a good start, informing seniors of post secondary options and scholarships.
- Mid-quarter is right around the corner with Parent/Teacher Conferences being held on October 2nd.
- Credit checks for seniors are complete and we are working using that information to help in developing plans for anyone seniors who are credit deficient.
- October 2 is the Sources of Strength Peer leader training and the Color Blaze Run is set for October 5. There are already 333 people signed up to participate.

Craig Haese reported on:

- Our football team is currently 4-0 and excited to play Two Rivers in our homecoming game this Friday.
- Boys Soccer is currently 3-3 on the season. We are looking forward to hosting our annual Varsity Invite this Saturday.
- Girls golf has a young team and keeps on improving every week.

- Cross Country continues to battle the warm weather & humidity. We are still setting personal records and have been pleased with continuous improvement of our young team for both boys and girls.
- The Girls Volleyball team lost last night in our first home match of the season, but they get another chance tomorrow night to play at home vs. Clintonville. Our 12-team varsity girls volleyball invitational will be Saturday, October 5th.
- The Color Blaze run will also be October 5th.
- The first of four Blood Drives that we will host in the Wellness Center during the school year will be next Wednesday, September 25th which is open both to the community and students to sign up for.

Sarah Nelson reported on:

- First day of school was a success. We had an assembly to end the day to kick off the school year with our school wide theme “Have Integrity from the Inside Out.”
- Students are doing a great job of getting into the swing of the routines and procedures of another school year.
- By the end of tomorrow I will have had the opportunity to be in each classroom and promote our Read a Thon that starts next week.
- Open House was in August. 93% of our students and families came.
- In-service was a great success.
- Summer school for our 4K and Kindergarten students was held the last week of August.
- We had our first staff training on Keys to Literacy during inservice and the teachers left with ideas they could implement immediately.

### **MEETING SUMMARY**

Annual Meeting will be September 25, 2024.

Next workshop meeting will be October 2, 2024.

Next board meeting will be October 16, 2024.

### **ADJOURNMENT**

Motion by Van Vreede to adjourn the meeting at 6:34 p.m. Seconded by Mollen. Motion carried.

Tony Decker, Board Clerk