

La Crosse USD 395
Regular Board Meeting
Wednesday, April 12, 2023

The board of education held the regular monthly meeting on Wednesday, April 12, 2023 at 7:02am. Members present: John Irvin, Harland Werth, Aaron McGaughey, Sandy Showalter, Glenn Herrman, Brian Baalman and Curtis Randa. Principal Jon Webster, Superintendent Bill Keeley, Marshall Norris & Taylor Kershner, Pat Jacobs and Deputy Clerk Helen Showalter were also present.

Aaron McGaughey made the motion to approve the amended agenda adding Resignations to Letter I. Sandy Showalter seconded it. Motion passed. 7-0

Curtis Randa moved, seconded by Aaron McGaughey to approve by consent items in the agenda listed as A & B. Motion carried unanimously. 7-0

K-6 Reading Curriculum

Elementary teachers Marshall Norris and Taylor Kershner attended the meeting to discuss the reasoning for wanting a new reading curriculum. After much research the elementary committee are looking into Open Court Consumables and Savvas. Mr. Keeley also presented the cost of both curriculums. The board is requesting a more specific quote and to discuss this again at the next meeting.

OPI Copier Contracts

Possible copier contracts with OPI is being tabled to another meeting.

Chromebook Order

Pat Jacobs from GBT, who also provides IT service for the district, informed the board that there is a need for new Chromebooks for the incoming 7th, 8th and freshman classes. The current Chromebooks are getting too old for updates and are in desperate need to be replaced. We would need 80 Chromebooks to replace what we already have. There was also discussion about needing to replace the lab equipment in Mr. Courtney's classroom.

Aaron McGaughey and Curtis Randa excused themselves from the meeting.

Harland Werth made the motion to order 80 Chromebooks for the 7th grade – 9th grade classes. Sandy Showalter seconded the motion. Motion approved 5-0.

FY23 C2 GBTA Quote

Sandy Showalter made the motion to approve the FY23 C2 GBTA Quote of \$19,645.71. Glenn Herrman seconded the motion. Motion approved 5-0.

Aaron McGaughey and Curtis Randa returned to the meeting.

WCKSEC Agreement

Glenn Herrman made the motion to approve the agreement as presented with Hays West Central Kansas Special Education Cooperative. Aaron McGaughey seconded the motion. Motion approved 7-0.

KASB Membership

Sandy Showalter moved and seconded by Brian Baalman to approve the USD 2023-24 Membership Renewal Option 1 with KASB. Motion approved 7-0. Glenn Herrman made the motion to approve KASB Legal Assistance and seconded by Curtis Randa. Motion approved 7-0.

City Commission Meeting April 19th

Board President, Vice-President and one more member will be attending the La Crosse City Commission meeting on April 19th at 5:15pm to discuss the possibility of a sales tax increase through the city of La Crosse to possibly help with a bond issue.

After the meeting with the La Crosse City Commission there will be a Special Meeting at the District Office starting 6:00pm to meet with Sarah Sipe.

Teacher Approval and Resignations

Glenn Herrman made the motion to approve the contract for Brooke McNickle as Ag Teacher. Harland Werth seconded. Motion passed. 7-0

Sandy Showalter moved to accept resignation from Bailey Morgan as Kindergarten teacher. Motion seconded by Curtis Randa and passed unanimously 7-0.

Personnel

Glenn Herrman moved the board go into executive session from 8:00 am until 8:05 am to discuss personnel pursuant to non-elected personnel exception under KOMA and to include as needed Mr. Keeley and Mr. Webster. Seconded by Sandy Showalter. This executive session is being held to protect the individuals right to privacy. The open meeting will resume at 8:06am. Motion carried 7-0.

No action was taken.

Student

Brian Baalman made the motion the board go into executive session from 8:06 am until 8:08 am to discuss matters affecting a student(s) pursuant to the exception relating to actions adversely or favorably affecting a student under KOMA. This executive session is being held to protect the privacy interests of the individual(s) to be discussed. To include Mr. Keeley and Mr. Webster. Aaron McGaughey seconded the motion. Motion approved. 7-0 The open meeting will resume at 8:09 am.

No action was taken.

K-6 Reading Curriculum

Possibly add the Reading Curriculum to the Special Meeting on April 19th.

Building Reports

Mr. Webster presented higher level math proposal to the board. Aaron McGaughey made the motion to approve the math proposal as presented. Brian Baalman seconded the motion. Motion approved 7-0.

Upcoming meetings are scheduled for May 15, 2023 and June 12, 2023.

Meeting adjourned at 8:19 am.

BOARD PRESIDENT

BOARD CLERK