La Crosse USD 395 Regular Board Meeting Monday, May 15, 2023

The board of education held the regular monthly meeting on Monday, May 14, 2023 at 6:01pm. Members present: John Irvin, Harland Werth, Aaron McGaughey, Sandy Showalter, Glenn Herrman, Brian Baalmann and Curtis Randa. Principal Jon Webster, Superintendent Bill Keeley, Deputy Clerk Helen Showalter and Clark Wedel with Wiens & Company and spouse were also present.

Glenn Herrman made the motion to approve the written agenda. Harland Werth seconded it. Motion passed. 7-0

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

MS/HS Classroom Fees

Jon Webster presented a list of recommendations for school fee changes for some middle school and high school courses. Some courses should be higher and some need to be lowered. Board decided to discuss and approve fees with all other fees at the regular June meeting.

NCK Agreement

Mr. Webster is wanting to offer a program with NCK Tech. The program would only be available for Seniors. He plans to research further and has concerns that it may not qualify for dual credit and could affect funding. He will report back at the next meeting.

Teacher Contracts

Aaron McGaughey made the motion to approve Taylor Morgan for the Elementary Teacher position. Harland Werth seconded it. Motion passed 7-0.

Glenn Herrman made the motion to approve Sabrina Hedding for the Drivers Education Teacher position. Brian Baalmann seconded it. Motion passed 6-1 CR

Aaron McGaughey and Curtis Randa left the meeting at 6:20pm.

Chromebook Order

Mr. Keeley presented the board with a quote for 80 Chromebooks from GBT. Sandy Showalter made the motion to approve the purchase of 80 Chromebooks with Chromebooks Education License for \$22,902.05. Glenn Herrman seconded it. Motion passed. 5-0.

Aaron McGaughey and Curtis Randa returned to the meeting at 6:25pm.

Board Policy Approval Committee

There is a need for two volunteers to spend some time at the district office to look over the board policies from the policy audit. Sandy Showalter and John Irvin volunteered their time. They will try to meet the first of June and present them for approval at the regular June meeting.

Summer Help

Harland Werth made the motion to allow Mr. Keeley to hire extra summer help staff as needed. Curtis Randa seconded it. Motion carried. 7-0.

Greenbush Agreement

The Greenbush Energy Group Participation Agreement is set to renew for the 2023-2024 year. Board is requesting that we look into another consortium to see if prices could be better. Will report back next month.

Hold Harmless Agreement

Sandy Showalter moved and seconded by Curtis Randa to approve the Hold Harmless Agreement Form as presented for all activities. Motion carried. 7-0

Building Reports

Mr. Keeley discussed the work he is doing on the KDHE Grant and P1 Group. P1 Group will be looking at the High School Building HVAC system. Mr. Keeley also discussed the issue with bussing elementary students to the high school for lunch. He will have a new solution.

Mr. Webster gave a building report as presented.

Personnel

Sandy Showalter moved the board go into executive session from 7:00 pm. until 7:10 pm. to discuss personnel pursuant to non-elected personnel exception under KOMA and to include Mr. Keeley and Mr. Webster. Seconded by Curtis Randa. This executive session is being held to protect the individuals right to privacy. The open meeting will resume at 7:11 pm. Motion carried 7-0.

Personnel

Harland Werth moved the board go into executive session from 7:12 pm. until 7:17 pm. to discuss personnel pursuant to non-elected personnel exception under KOMA and to include Mr. Keeley and Mr. Webster. Seconded by Glenn Herrman. This executive session is being held to protect the individuals right to privacy. The open meeting will resume at 7:18 pm. Motion carried 7-0.

No action was taken.

Glenn left the meeting at 7:19pm.

Negotiations

Curtis Randa moved the board go into executive session from 7:25 pm. until 7:35 pm. to discuss negotiations pursuant to the exception for employer-employee negotiations under KOMA and to include Mr. Keeley. Seconded by Aaron McGaughey. This executive session is being held to protect the district's right to the confidentiality of its negotiating position, and the public interest. The open meeting will resume at 7:36 pm. Motion carried 6-0.

No action was taken.

Personnel

Aaron McGaughey moved the board go into executive session from 7:40 pm. until 7:50 pm. to discuss personnel pursuant to non-elected personnel exception under KOMA. Seconded by Sandy Showalter. This executive session is being held to protect the individuals right to privacy. The open meeting will resume at 7:51 pm. Motion carried 6-0.

Administrative Contract Extension

Brian Baalmann made the motion to extend the administrative contracts for another year. Sandy Showalter seconded the motion. Motion passed 6-0.

Brian Baalmann left the meeting at 8:00 pm.

Upcoming meetings are scheduled for June 12, 2023 at 6:30am & July 17, 2023 at 6:00pm.

Meeting adjourned at 8:09pm		
BOARD PRESIDENT	BOARD CLERK	