

**WASHINGTON ISLAND SCHOOL DISTRICT
BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING
Tuesday, March 21, 2017
7:30 P.M. Open Session - School Commons
8:30 P.M. Executive/Closed Session or Immediately after Open Session - School Library
APPROVED MINUTES**

Call to Order and Pledge of Allegiance - President Amy Jorgenson called the meeting to order at 7:31 p.m. Other Board Members present: Sarah Duggan Goldstein, Kevin Krueger, Kirsten Purinton, Tom Jordan; Administrator: Dr. Mati Palm-Leis; Administrative Assistant: Sue Cornell; Teachers: Michelle Jordan and Miranda Szcepanski ; Community Members: Valerie Fons; Students: Rylee Lux and Tiffany Wacaser.

1. MSP (Purinton/Krueger) to approve the agenda as presented. Approved 5-0.

2. MSP (Duggan Goldstein/Krueger) to approve as presented the minutes of the Board of Education monthly meeting on February 23, 2017 and the special meeting on March 7, 2017. Approved 5-0.

3. Student Council Report - Tiffany and Rylee reported on the activities and healthy food options offered this Health Week in recognition of National Health Month. A large portion of the money Student Council raises each year goes towards the cost of the annual Ski Trip. This year's trip went well and the Council subsidized \$3,000 of the total costs. Student Councils from our District, Gibraltar, and Sturgeon Bay continue to collect coins to dig a well in Africa. High School students from Washington Island have been invited to attend the Gibraltar prom on May 13, and the signup process has begun.

4. Good News Report -

- The School District has received a number of generous donation and Dr. Palm-Leis thanked and acknowledge each donation. All donations are greatly appreciated. Thank you!
- The Washington Island Education Foundation has given a \$2000 grant for Ms. Szcepanski and Mr. Mohn to take the middle schoolers on a field trip to Camp U-Nah-Li-Ya in Suring, WI at the end of May. The field trip will include outdoor education, leadership training and community building.
- Nelsen's Hall donated a total of \$1051 from the money pinned to its ceiling totalling \$1,051 half going to the Athletic Department and half to the Art Department.
- Fitzgerald's Deer Lodge Inc. donated \$200 from the fish boil and concert lead by Julian Hagen.
- The Shipyard Island Marina, Inc. donated \$250 to the Basketball program.

5. Communications - The District received a request from the U.S. Census Bureau to participate in the 2017 Survey of Public Employment and Payroll. Sue Cornell will complete the survey.

6. Open Discussion - none.

7. Treasurer' Report - Treasurer Kevin Krueger presented the payables for the month in the amount of **\$38,873.18**.

8. District Administrator's Report - Dr. Palm-Leis thanked Michelle Jordan and the Student Council for organizing the Health Week activities and healthy food. The Art Show will be April 8 from 10:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m. All community members are encouraged to attend. Thank you to the Women's Club members for offering to provide refreshments. Dr. Palm-Leis presented information on the school's referendum vote on the April 4 ballot. He and Kirsten Purinton presented for the Women's Club earlier today. The final referendum presentation will be this Saturday, March 25 at 11:30 a.m. at school with a luncheon and building tour provided, please join us. Dr. Palm-Leis thanked Robert Cornell for volunteering to change the ballasts through the school at no charge. Finally, he thanked attorney Mary Gerbig for discounting her bill to the school by \$500.

9. Board of Education Committee's Report

- President's Report - Amy Jorgenson invited all community members to come to the Referendum luncheon and encouraged all board members to attend as well. She and Kirsten Purinton met with Dr. Palm-Leis last week to go over the superintendent evaluation, and it went well, continued communication between the board and the superintendent is key. She finally requested that each board member to bring their calendars to April's meeting to pick a time this summer for a half or whole day school board member retreat. An off-Island retreat will be planned for the fall.

- Budget Committee - The committee reviewed the the budget function report to familiarize themselves the details and categorization of the budget.
- Athletic Committee - The committee met early in March with a lengthy agenda to cover including: the sports' program budget, coach assessment surveys, and salaries, and heard the basketball coaches give a short report on their respective seasons. The committee began a discussion of revising the Athletic Code and will continue the discussion at its next meeting early in April..
- Learning & Technology Committee - Ms. Szcpaniski and Mr. Mohn presented the middle school curriculum (what they are working on in the classroom at each level academically, as well as, soft skills) to the committee. Next month the high school teachers will present. Then, Barb Krueger presented the Academic Career Program (ACP) for students to plan out their years for career development with different components for every grade. Margaret Foss presented a proposal with two options for a Phonics Program. A Phonics program is an essential component of the Reading curriculum. Words Their Way is the program that looks to be the best fit for our district. The cost is about \$5000 initially, then \$10 per K-3 student. Wisedash is a secure student data dashboard for teachers to see all the students data from all formats together at once to assist in RTi efforts, and it is very inexpensive at \$100. Tom Waldron put off the presentation of the Go Guardian filter until next meeting due to some technical issues.
- Policy Committee - There are two policies to be approved for renumbering purposes only:341.3 Health Education Policy 341.3 and Physical Education Policy 341.5. The Graduation Requirements Policy 345.6 and Field Trips and On island, In State, and Out of State Policy 352 are up for second and final readings with no changes from the first readings.
- Employee Relation and Personnel Committee - The committee began the process of aligning our Employee Handbook to the updated state statutes for the next two school years. The committee is approximately one third of the way through the handbook.
- Transportation / Building & Grounds Committee - Tabled
- Referendum Committee - Dr. Palm-Leis gave a referendum presentation to the Lions Club last week, and he and Kirsten Purinton presented to the Women's Club earlier today. The Final Referendum presentation will the Luncheon at 11:30 on Saturday, March 25. Please come!

11. **Action Items -**

- A. **MSP (Purinton/Jordan)** to approve the payment of bills in the amount of \$38,873.18. Approved 5-0.
- B. Approval of Policy Committee Recommendations
 1. **MSP (Krueger/Duggan Goldstein)** to review and approve of Renumbering of the Health Education 341.3 and Physical Education 341.5 Policies. Approved 5-0.
 2. Review and Approval of Second Reading
 - i. **MSP (Jorgenson/Jordan)** to approve the second and final reading the Graduation Requirements 345.6 Policy. Approved 5-0.
 - ii. **MSP (Purinton/Krueger)** to approve the second and final reading of the Field Trips On Island, In State, and Out of State 352 Policy. Approved 5-0.
- C. Acceptance of Gifts
 1. **MSP (Krueger/Jordan)** to accept the \$1,051 donation from Nelsen's Hall Bitter's Pub & Restaurant. Roll call vote: Krueger - aye, Jordan - aye, Duggan Goldstein - aye, Jorgenson - aye, Purinton - aye. Approved 5-0.
 2. **MSP (Duggan/Goldstein)** to accept the \$2,000 donation from the Washington Island Education Foundation for the Middle School Field Trip. Roll call vote: Krueger - aye, Jordan - aye, Duggan Goldstein - aye, Jorgenson - aye, Purinton - aye. Approved 5-0.
 3. **MSP (Krueger/Jordan)** to accept the \$200 donation from the Fitzgerald's Deer Lodge Inc. Roll call vote: Krueger - aye, Jordan - aye, Duggan Goldstein - aye, Jorgenson - aye, Purinton - aye. Approved 5-0.
 4. **MSP (Purinton/Krueger)** to accept the \$250 donation from the Shipyard Island Marina, Inc. Roll call vote: Krueger - aye, Jordan - aye, Duggan Goldstein - aye, Jorgenson - aye, Purinton - aye. Approved 5-0.

12. **Proposed Future Meetings**

Athletics Committee

April 3 at 5:00 p.m.

WISD Commons

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| Employee Relations & Personnel Committee | April 5 at 9:45 a.m. | Superintendent's Office |
| Learning & Technology Committee | April 20 at 5:30 p.m. | WISD Commons |
| Policy Committee | April 20 at 6:00 p.m. | WISD Commons |
| Transportation Building Grounds Committee | April 20 at 6:30 p.m. | WISD Commons |
| Budget Committee | April 20 at 7:00 p.m. | WISD Commons |
| Monthly Board of Education | April 20 at 7:30 p.m. | WISD Commons |

13. President Amy Jorgenson opened the Executive (Closed) Session at 8:18 p.m. - Pursuant to Wisconsin Statutes 19.85(1)(a) [Deliberating concerning a case which was the subject of any judicial or quasi-judicial trial or hearing before that governmental body]. and 19.85 (1) (f), [19.85(1)(f) Considering financial, medical, social or personal histories or disciplinary data of specific persons, preliminary consideration of specific personnel problems or the investigation of charges against specific persons except where par. (b) applies which, if discussed in public, would be likely to have a substantial adverse effect upon the reputation of any person referred to in such histories or data, or involved in such problems or investigations]. The Board will pursuant to Wis. Stats. 120.13(1)(e)3. convene to review the expulsion order of a District pupil.

14. MSP (Krueger/Jorgenson) to adjourn the Executive (Closed) Session and reconvene Into Open Session at 9:31 p.m. Approved 5-0.

15. MSP (Purinton/Jorgenson) to adjourn the meeting at 9:31 p.m. Approved 5-0.

