

**WASHINGTON ISLAND SCHOOL DISTRICT**  
**BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING**  
**Monday, January 25, 2021**  
**School Commons/Remote/Virtual Meeting Open Session - 6:00 p.m.**  
**APPROVED MINUTES**

Due to the COVID-19 virus and current Public Health Emergency, emergency and necessary precautions have been put in place to ensure safety of Board of Education/Committee members and the public. Board of Education/Committee members may participate through virtual/remote conferencing for this meeting. The Washington Island Board of Education is moving to a new virtual format. Members of the public will now be able to access and monitor this meeting by joining the virtual/remote conference using the following link:

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Call to Order and Pledge of Allegiance- President Amy Jorgenson called the meeting to order at 6:01 p.m.  
Other Board members presented: Mike Thiekle, Bob Wagner, and Kirsten Purinton; Administrator of Business Services: Sue Cornell; Principal/Curriculum Director: Michelle Kanipes; ; **All other meeting participants attended the meeting remotely using the Zoom platform.** Board Member: Sara Sorensen; Other District Employees: Margaret Foss, Alyssa Wagner, Miranda Dahlke, Matt Lebrun; Community members: Don Riewe, Steve Kretzmann.

1. **MSP (Wagner/Thielke)** to approve the board agenda as posted. Approved 5-0.
2. **MSP (Wagner/Sorensen)** to approve the minutes of the Board of Education meetings on December 17 and 29, 2020, and January 15, 2021, and the committee as a whole January 18, 2021, as presented. Approved 5-0.
3. Public comments will be allowed regarding each agenda item as allowed by the BOE.
4. Open Discussion - none.
5. Communications - The district received a thank you note from Hans Lux and his family, in appreciation of the memorial rock placed in the front of the school highlighting the life of Wendy Lux.
6. Principal's Report
  - Thank you to Lief Thoreson for the donation of dust collection ductwork metal and time for installation for the Technology Education workshop. Brian Mann also worked on the install.
  - Ms. Dahlke reported on the results of the January Regional Competition for the Academic Decathlon. Great work participants and all coaches.
  - Ms. Kanipes attended the AWSA Legal Seminar last month.
  - The WI DPI dual enrollment notice was completed last month.
  - Teaching Today and Manufacturing Today WI magazines featured the WISD Fab Lab, and plaque highlighting the publication will be hung in the school.
  - Mr. Bruce McClaren sent a thank you note after receiving a Veterans' Day letter from Jaylyn Nickchen, the note included a donation to the district and a special note card for Jaylyn.
  - Stella Maris Parish donated \$500 to the district.
  - Mr. Hans and Dr. Beth Lux and their family were invited to the school last month for the unveiling of the Wendy Lux Memorial placed in the front of the school.
  - Barb O'Connell, of the WI Women's Club, verified that Rylee Lux and Evan Lux received their scholarship monies after receiving high grades from NWTC and UW-Madison.
  - Ms. Wagner and Ms. Blatz's students were recognized by eSpark for growth and achievement.
  - Ms. Dennis was awarded third place in the "Grow Your Own Organics New Year's Giveaway."
  - Ms. Dahlke announced the #SamsungSolve Team recognized the WISD team as an national Honorable Mention recipient. Also, seventh grade math students answered Challenge 1 of the Hardest Math Problem contest and moved onto Challenge 2.
  - The whole teaching staff was lauded by their professional development sessions with CESA 7 partners, the work is on curriculum mapping, essential learning standards, in regard to their lesson delivery and Educator Effectiveness and Student Learning Objectives.

- Ms. Dahlke secured the free wellness app, Down Dog, for all staff members.
- The Green Bay Packers are offering a reading program to earn free entry into the Packer Hall of Fame. Ms. Mann and Dahlke's middle school students will be taking part in the program.
- Students will test with FastBridge and PALS for student progress and growth progress monitoring.
- Ms. Kanipes submitted the Wisconsin Economic Development Corporation Fab Lab 2021 grant. Thank you to Don Riewe, Helene Meyer, Leif Thoreson, David Griggs, Dan Westbrook, Hoyt Purinton, Joel Gunnlaugsson, Todd Thayse, Dannette Garcia, Jesse Hansen, Phil Martini, Tylar McGrane, Glen Vander Velden, and Matt Lebrun for all letter of support, financial contributions, time in support of the 21st technical education program at WISD.

7. Items for Discussion

- 2021 Wisconsin State Education Convention - All the board members and Mrs. Cornell were able to take part in the virtual convention this year.
- General protocols for handling off-island student trips.

8. Treasurer's Report -

The treasurer, Sara Sorensen, presented the payables for January in the amount of \$53,477.59.

9. Board of Education Committee Reports

Clerk, Kirsten Purinton, read a brief recap of the Committee of the Whole.

10. Action Items

1. **MSP (Thielke/Wagner)** to approve the payment of the January bills in the amount of \$53,477.59. Approved 5-0. **MSP (Wagner/Thielke)** to approve two December journal entries bank fees of \$967.90. Approved 5-0.
2. **MSP (Thielke/Sorensen)** to accept the donation from Bruce McClaren in the amount of \$500. Roll Call: Jorgensen-aye, Wagner-aye, Thielke-aye, Purinton-aye, Sorensen-aye. Approved 5-0.
3. **MSP (Wagner/Thielke)** to accept the donation from Stella Maris Catholic Church in the amount of \$500. Roll Call: Jorgensen-aye, Wagner-aye, Thielke-aye, Purinton-aye, Sorensen-aye. Approved 5-0.
4. **MSP (Wagner/Thielke)** to accept the donation from Sister Bay Citgo Gas Station, from Cordon Oil Company in the amount of \$500. Roll Call: Jorgensen-aye, Wagner-aye, Thielke-aye, Purinton-aye, Sorensen-aye. Approved 5-0.
5. **MSP (Wagner/Thielke)** to approve of the January pupil count of 57 FTE. Approved 5-0.
6. **MSP (Thielke/Wagner)** to approve the Administrator of Business Services Contract. Approved 5-0.
7. **MSP (Wagner/Thielke)** to approve the Principal/Curriculum Director Contract. Approved 5-0.
8. **MSP (Wagner/Sorensen)** to approve the Resolution Authorizing the School District Budget to Exceed Revenue Limit for Non - Recurring Purpose Approved 5-0. The resolution as attached below.
9. **MSP (Wagner/Purinton)** to accept the resignation letter from Paraprofessional, Kirsten Foss. Approved 5-0.

11. Proposed Future Meetings Dates

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| Employee Relations/Personnel Committee | February 1  | WISD Library |
| Committee of the Whole                 | February 15 | WISD Library |
| Monthly Board of Education             | February 22 | WISD Library |

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Closed Session

**MSP (Thielke/Wagner)** to convene in closed session pursuant to Wisconsin Statutes §19.85(1)(a),(c),(e),(f); 118.125; 120.13 considering the employment, promotion, compensation or performance evaluation data of any public employee over which the governmental body has jurisdiction or exercises responsibility; considering financial, medical, social or personal histories or disciplinary data of specific persons except where par. (b) applies which, if discussed in public, would most likely 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 at 7:08 p.m.

1. Personnel

2. **MSP (Purinton/Thielke)** to return to Open Session at 8:18 p.m. Roll Call vote: Jorgenson-aye, Wagner-aye, Thielke-aye, Purinton-aye, Sorensen-aye.

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12. **MSP (Wagner/Jorgenson)** to adjourn the meeting at 8:18 p.m. Approved 5-0.

Attachment:

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING**  
**THE WASHINGTON ISLAND**  
**SCHOOL DISTRICT SCHOOL DISTRICT BUDGET**  
**TO EXCEED REVENUE LIMIT FOR TWO**  
**YEARS FOR NON-RECURRING PURPOSES**

*WHEREAS, the School Board of the Washington Island School District, Door County, Wisconsin (the "District"), pursuant to Section 121.91(3) of the Wisconsin Statutes, has duly adopted an initial resolution entitled: "Initial Resolution" Authorizing the District to exceed the revenue limit imposed under Section 121.91(2m) of the Wisconsin Statutes on a non-recurring basis by \$675,000 in the 2021-2022 school year and by \$775,000 in the 2022-2023 school year for the purposes of paying the ongoing operational expenses of the school district; and*

*WHEREAS, the School Board has determined to submit the Initial Resolution directly to the electors of the District for approval or rejection at a referendum election pursuant to Section 121(3)(a) of the Wisconsin Statutes; and*

*WHEREAS, the Initial Resolution shall not be effective unless approved by a majority of the District electors voting at the referendum; now therefore*

*BE IT RESOLVED by the School Board of Washington Island School District, Door County, Wisconsin, that the revenues included in the Washington Island School District budget be authorized to exceed the revenue limit specified in Section 121.91, Wisconsin Statutes, by \$675,000 for the 2021-2022 school year and by \$775,000 for the 2022-2023 school year for non-recurring purposes of paying the ongoing operational expenses of the school district.*

*Adopted and recorded (January 25, 2021).*

ATTEST:

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Amy Jorgenson, District President

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Kirsten Purinton, District Clerk