

**WASHINGTON ISLAND SCHOOL DISTRICT  
BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING  
Monday, November 26, 2018  
Open Sessions at 6:00 p.m. - School Commons  
Closed Session Immediately Following Open Session  
APPROVED MINUTES**

**OPEN SESSION**

Call to Order and Pledge of Allegiance - President Amy Jorgenson called the meeting to order at 6:03 p.m. Other Board Members present: Sarah Duggan Goldstein, Bob Wagner, Kevin Krueger, and Kirsten Purinton; Principal/Curriculum Director: Michelle Kanipes; Superintendent of Business Services: Sue Cornell; District Employees: Jessica Dennis, Jenn Stoller, Margaret Foss, Michelle Jordan, Miranda Dahlke; Community Members: Louis Munao, Keith Mann, Krista Gunnlaugsson, Denise Kellerman, Zuzka Krueger; Students: Julia Valentincic and Tara DeJardin.

1. **MSP (Purinton/Wagner)** to approve of the the agenda as posted. Approved 5-0.
2. **MSP (Krueger/Wagner)** to approve of the minutes of regular Board of Education Meeting on October 22, 2018, as presented. Approved 5-0.
3. Public comment will be allowed regarding each agenda item as allowed by the BOE.
4. Open Discussion - none.
5. Communications - none.
6. Student Council Report - Tara DeJardin and Julia Valentincic reported on the Student Council fundraisers and upcoming events.
7. Principal's Report - Miranda Dahlke reported on the successful first time Athletic Decathlon team. Jessica Dennis shared two videos filmed during ROV and SnapShot Science classes that were produced by CESA 7 and will air on Fox 11 later this winter. Other highlights of Michelle Kanipes' report include:
  - The staff members attending professional development in different areas, and staff reviewing all online program purchased by the District.
  - A couple of School-Parent focus groups have been conducted, and all parents will eventually be attended to participate in a session.
  - The Family Fun Math night is Thursday, November 29.
  - Thank you to Sarah and Shawn, as well as Jim and Brenda, for coaching basketball, and many people are excited for the Islands Tournament this weekend on Beaver Island.
  - She thanked Gary Schultz for completing his certification in School Safety Assessment.
  - She thanked the Washington Island Education Foundation for the Friendship benches.
  - She thanked the Washington Island Community Band and Donna Briesemeister for the concert and recognized George Findlay for writing a short piece played by the band.
  - She thanked Commander Huffman and the American Legion Post members for the Veteran's Day Program.
  - Donna Russell is again organizing a Holiday program at the TPAC on December 8, some students are in the program, and some of the funds raised will be given to the school.
  - Finally, Mrs. Kanipes encouraged parents to go to the Forward Exam and ACT/ACT Aspire practice sites for their students to view sample questions and prepare for these state tests.
8. Items for Discussion
  - The District is looking to form a Referendum Committee to inform the community on the need to go to referendum for operating expenses in April 2019. Interested community members are encouraged to join the committee.
  - Education on Two Islands Research Project - Two professors of education, Don Homes and Toni Hameister, at University of Wisconsin-Oshkosh would like the district to participate in a research project to investigate the educational challenges and opportunities unique to island settings. The other school is off the coast of Belize. Sarah Duggan Goldstein expressed questions about the study and would like more information before voting on the District's participation. Margaret Foss suggested the study's professors talk to high school students on writing academic studies.
9. Board of Education Committee's Reports

- President's Report - President Amy Jorgenson suggested the students and teachers think about working with the electric cooperative learning about the electrical cable and fiber optic cable being installed between the mainland and island. Also, she requested another speaking at the meetings to speak loudly and clearly. There will be (2) three-year terms and (1) two-year term for school board members on the spring ballot. Candidates will need to fill out declaration of candidacy and campaign registration statements before January 2, 2019. Incumbents must file notice of non candidacy by December 21, 2018.
- Budget Committee - The committee discussed setting up a Line of Credit from Nicolet Bank for up to \$250,000. There is no cost to set this up. With the roof project in the summer, it is possible that the District will need to make a draw on this Line of Credit. The Board will have approve any amount borrowed.
- Learning & Technology Committee - Tabled.
- Policy Committee - The committee reviewed the Graduation Requirements 345.6. And the McKinney Vento Homeless 511 Policies for the second time. Then, the committee developed and revised the Acceptable Use Policy 363.3, (sunsetting) Weighted Grades, and Grading Systems policies.
- Athletic Committee - Referee accreditation/mentorship and the Beaver Island trip were discussed.
- Employee Relation and Personnel Committee - The committee completed the job description for the Student Services Position, and reviewed the candidate for the paraprofessional position.
- Transportation / Building & Grounds Committee - The committee reviewed the visit from the LaForce reps, and discussed moving forward with the work to secure the school building with the school not spending more than \$51,000 (including grant monies in the amount of \$36,760 ). The committee opened the only bids submitted snow plowing and snow shoveling, one bid for each job. The committee also discussed the need for a second bus and water softener options for the future. Finally, the committee did NOT open the roofing bids due to the low number of bills received. The District will reach out to all the contractors to inform them will be an additional two weeks to submit bids. Bids are now due December 10.
- Gym Committee - Tabled.
- Stem Committee - Tabled.

10. Action Items

- A. **MSP (Krueger/Wagner)** to approve the payment of bills in the amount of **\$37,615.81** Approved 5-0.
- B. Approval of Policy Committee Recommendations
  1. **MSP (Wagner/Jorgenson)** to approve the first reading of the Acceptable Use Policy 363.3. Approved 5-0.
  2. **MSP (Wagner/Purinton)** to approve the first reading of the Grading Systems Policy. Approved 5-0.
  3. **MSP (Krueger/Wagner)** to approve the second and final reading of the Graduation Requirements Policy 354.6. Approved 4-0.
  4. **MSP (Duggan Goldstein/Wagner)** to approve the second and final reading of the McKinney Vento Homeless Policy 511. Approved 5-0.
  5. **MSP (Duggan Goldstein/Wagner)** to approve sunsetting the Weighted Grades Policy per DPI regulations. Approved 5-0.
- C. **MSP (Krueger/Wagner)** to approve the snow plowing bid from Tom Jordan in the amount of \$45 for 2-6" of snow, \$55 for more than 6" of snow, and \$50 for sanding as needed. Approved 5-0.
- D. **MSP (Purinton/Krueger)** to approve the snow shoveling bid from Christopher Cornell in the amount of \$40 for <4" of snow, \$55 for 4-8" of snow, \$70 for over 8" of snow. Approved 5-0.
- E. To approve the school building roofing bids. Tabled due to the fact that too few bids were received.
- F. **MSP (Wagner/Duggan Goldstein)** to approve opening a Line of Credit with Nicolet National Bank. to approve a line of Credit and Resolution Authorizing Temporary Borrowing in the Amount Not to Exceed \$250,000, Pursuant to Section 67.12(8), WIS. STATS. Approved 5-0.
- G. **MSP (Krueger/Wagner)** to approve the updated LaForce project up \$51,000 for the State Safety Grant. Approved 5-0.

- H. **MSP (Purinton/Duggan Goldstein)** to accept the resignation from Michelle Jordan, effective at the end of the first semester, as the Student Council Advisor. Approved 5-0.
- I. To approve of the purchase of a second school bus. - Tabled.
- J. **MSP (Krueger/Duggan Goldstein)** to approve of the hiring of Melanie Miller as a part-time Paraprofessional. Approved 5-0.
- K. To approve participating in the Education of Two Island study. - Tabled
- L. **MSP (Krueger/Wagner)** to accept the donation of \$500 from Stella Maris Parish for school programs, which will be the Newsela subscription. Roll Call Vote: Krueger-aye, Wagner-aye, Duggan Goldstein-aye, Jorgenson-aye, Purinton-aye. Approved 5-0.
- M. **MSP (Purinton/Wagner)** to accept the donation of \$500 from Washington Island Detroit Harbor Ladies Aid Society for the elementary teachers. Roll Call Vote: Krueger-aye, Wagner-aye, Duggan Goldstein-aye, Jorgenson-aye, Purinton-aye. Approved 5-0.
- N. **MSP (Krueger/Wagner)** to accept the gift of wood for the bonfire from Michael Cornell. Roll Call Vote: Krueger-aye, Wagner-aye, Duggan Goldstein-aye, Jorgenson-aye, Purinton-aye. Approved 5-0.
- O. **MSP (Purinton/Wagner)** to accept the gift of a kid's table and chairs from Katie and Tyler McGrane. Roll Call Vote: Wagner-aye, Duggan Goldstein-aye, Jorgenson-aye, Purinton-aye. Kevin abstained from voting. Approved 4-0.

11. Proposed Future Meetings Dates

Spec. Committee - Gym	TBA	WISD Resource Room
Employee Relations & Personnel Comm.	TBA	WISD Library
Policy Committee	TBA	WISD Library
Learning & Technology Comm.	TBA	WISD Resource Room
Transportation Building Grounds Comm.	TBA	WISD Resource Room
Budget Committee	TBA	WISD Resource Room
Regular Board of Education	Dec 17 at 6:00 p.m.	WISD Commons
Special Meeting	Dec 6 at 4:30 p.m.	WISD Commons

12. Requests for future agenda items. - None

13. **MSP (Purinton/Duggan Goldstein)** to move into Executive Session (Pursuant to Section 19.85 (1)(c)(e) & (f) of the Wisconsin State Statutes) at 7:55 p.m. Approved 5-0.  
 - The Board reviewed and discussed Personnel.

14. **MSP (Duggan Goldstein/Krueger)** to adjourn the Executive (Closed) Session to reconvene into Open Session at 8:41 p.m. Approved 5-0.

15. **MSP (Wagner/Purinton)** to adjourn the meeting at 8:41 p.m. Approved 5-0.