

Tri-County Area School District

Plainfield, Wisconsin

Minutes from Regular School Board Meeting
Held April 28, 2015

Newly elected board members (Jeff Hopkins, Jim Knutson and Peggy Buckholt) were sworn in before the meeting and began their three-year term on the Board of Education.

#155 Call to Order

Mark Bacon- President called the meeting to order at 7:02 pm in the district office conference room.

#156 Roll Call of Members/Declaration of Quorum

School board members present were: Mark Bacon, Jeff Hopkins, Susan Lederer, Wayne Cummings, Jim Knutson, Cindy Baumgartner, Jim Cesar, Amy Anderson and Peggy Buckholt. A quorum was declared.

#157 The "Pledge of Allegiance" was recited

#158 Election of Officers

Nominations for Tri-County Area School District Board of Education Organization Meeting

President:

Amy Anderson nominated Mark Bacon for President. Jim Cesar seconded. Peggy Buckholt moved to close nominations for President, Jim Cesar seconded. Motion carried. Unanimous voice vote for Mark Bacon as President was made.

Vice President:

Sue Lederer nominated Jim Cesar for Vice-President. Cindy Baumgartner seconded. Peggy Buckholt moved to close nominations for Vice-President, Sue Lederer seconded. Motion carried. Unanimous voice vote for Jim Cesar as Vice-President was made.

Clerk:

Wayne Cummings nominated Amy Anderson for Clerk. Amy Anderson declined. Wayne Cummings nominated Peggy Buckholt for Clerk. Jim Knutson seconded. Jim Knutson moved to close the

nominations for Clerk. Cindy Baumgartner seconded. Motion carried. Unanimous voice vote for Peggy Buckholt as Clerk was made.

Treasurer:

Peggy Buckholt nominated Wayne Cummings for treasurer. Sue Lederer seconded. Jim Cesar moved to close the nominations for treasurer. Cindy Baumgartner seconded. Motion carried. Unanimous voice vote for Wayne Cummings as treasurer was made.

#159 Appointment of deputy clerk

Jim Cesar moved to appoint Wendy R Hetzel, Administrative Assistant, as deputy clerk. Cindy Baumgartner seconded. Motion carried. Unanimous voice vote for Wendy Hetzel as Deputy Clerk was made.

#160 Committee Assignments & Other Appointments

A draft of the committees was handed out at the meeting. Cindy Baumgartner will be the delegate for the CESA 5 Convention on May 14, 2015. Mark Bacon was appointed as legislative contact. Cindy Baumgartner was appointed as delegate and Jeff Hopkins was appointed as alternate to the January 20 - 22, 2016 Joint State WASB/WASDA Convention.

#161 Adoption of the Agenda

Correction was made to the consent agenda, from Amy Stillman to Amie Stillman, Jim Cesar made a motion to adopt the agenda as corrected Amy Anderson seconded and it was carried on a voice vote.

#162 Revenue/Expense Report

Anthony Marinack, District Administrator, stated that 60.58% \$5,608,253.84 of the anticipated revenue has been received to date and 61.68 % \$5,947,760.30 of this year's budget has been spent.

#163 Bills/Receipts Approved

Jim Cesar made a motion, Cindy Baumgartner seconded, and carried on a voice vote to approve checks 971359 through 971619 and wire transfers #201400095 through #201400106 in the amount of \$450,954.73 and receipt of revenue in the amount of \$657,786.71 March 25, 2015 to April 28, 2015.

#164 Public Forum

Mark Bacon read the public forum statement. Stacy Schubert N2718 Cty. Road G. Hancock, WI. 54943 wanted to state her concerns for the boys basketball program. The education her

children are getting from Tri-County she is very happy with. The support for her children for athletics programs is disheartening. When she learns from other schools about camps and summer programs, rather than their own school it is very disappointing. No open gyms, and she believes our coaches are not coming through. She would like to see the kids from hoop troop age get the beliefs and strategies of the other coaches so the children are learning all the way through. We need the programs to mesh. There were other concerns with the language and behavior of our coaches. Sue Lederer is the chairman and they will have a committee meeting to discuss this issue.

#165 Consent Agenda Items Approved

Sue Lederer made a motion, seconded by Amy Anderson and carried on a voice vote, to approve the following consent agenda items as corrected:

- Minutes from Regular Board Meeting Held March 24, 2015
- Minutes from Athletics/Hot Lunch/Transportation Meeting April 6, 2015
- Snow make up for teachers on June 8, 2015
- Hired Kathy Knutson as Yearbook/Photographer advisor position at Step 1.
- Accepted Amie Stillman's resignation letter at the end of 2014-2015 school year
- Accepted Jodi Stokdyk's resignation letter at the end of 2014-2015 school year
- Appointed Jim Miller as the Tri-County board representative to the Hancock Library for the next 3 years.
- Accepted donation from Dr. Fred Boehm/Patrice to the TCAS Band Department for
- Accepted donation from UW-Extension for funding of the Central Wisconsin Rural Youth safety day to the Tri-County FFA and 4th grade teachers for \$500.00. This is a grant that Jessica wrote for and will be contingent on the thank you.
- Accept End of year budget resolutions

#166 Summer School Calendars EXH 1415-22

Jim Cesar made a motion to accept the Summer school calendars. NovaNet/Gradpoint will start on June 22nd and continue through July 24th. Summer school and Migrant school will start on July 6th and end on July 24th. Cindy Baumgartner seconded and motion was carried on a voice vote.

#167 Letter of Intent EXH 1415-23

Sue Lederer made a motion, and Jim Knutson seconded to table the winter letter of intents until the Athletics/Lunch/Transportation meeting was held and some issues were cleared up. The motion to table was carried on a voice vote with Jim Cesar voting no.

#168 Policy 671.3 EXH 1415-24

Amy Anderson made a motion, Jim Knutson seconded to approve the policy changes to policy 671.31 and motion was carried on a voice vote.

#169 Cesa 5 property EXH 1415-24

Amy Anderson made a motion, Sue Lederer seconded to approve the purchase of property for Fort Winnebago Elementary School in Portage, Wisconsin for the Cesa 5, and motion was carried on a voice vote.

#170 Summer help EXH 1415-24

Jim Cesar made a motion, Wayne Cummings seconded to approve the wages for the summer crew as follows; Paul Scott leader pay \$8.95, Sherry Hughes leader pay \$8.95, Kayla Bender \$7.25 and Nikki Bender at \$7.25 ; motion carried on a voice vote.

#171 Correspondence

Thank yous were received from Kathryn Rutz, Sandy Laspa and the Administrative Assistants.

#172 Reports

Student representative Elizabeth Kemnetz reported on the MS Play that was held on April 10th and 11th. The event was a huge success. Prom was held and it was a fun event and the gym looked fantastic, and post prom was held and there were many prizes and the parents of the Junior class worked hard to make sure a good time was had by all. FFA Banquet was held, numbers were down this year, 6-12th Band concert was a huge success, Lion's Honors Banquet, food was great, and it was nice to see so many participants. Forensics went to State last weekend and Dakotah Lockhart brought home a Silver and Danny Kaehn brought home a gold! Girls track has been very successful this year, as well as the Boy's baseball team, Boys track has been very close. The softball team is rebuilding this year and improving. Liz gave her last report for the board. She will be graduating in May and will attend UW-Marathon in the fall. She would like to go to college for education. Wendy Hetzel reported on the Skyward convention that she attended the last 2 days. There were many things that we could do to utilize our Skyward better, but there are other programs that financially do not fit with our small school. Sue Lederer gave a report on their bus meeting concerning the amount of students on each route, and the costing of busing for our school. They talked about cutting a bus route and purchasing a small school bus to cut the costs. The committee will meet again to discuss how the bus companies could make this work. They need to collect some more data and put it together with Tony. Jim Cesar reported on the Legislative meeting that was held on April 20, 2015. In the meeting they talked a lot about school finance. Everyone is concerned about the budget cuts and school accountability, and how it will be handled in the future. A new school board member workshop was held in Portage on April 22. Jeff Hopkins, our newest school board member reported on that meeting. It is put on by WASB at the Cesa office and it entails the do's and

don'ts for new board members. There was a lawyer who presented legal information to help so you don't get into trouble as a board member. Open meeting postings were also discussed. Tony presented the board with a snapshot of the 2014-2015 and reminded the board that you can encumber some of the numbers but you can't know everything that is going to happen until the end of the fiscal year June 30th. Tony presented the board with the preliminary budget for the 2015-2016 school year that has been submitted to date. We are trying to make cuts in areas that won't affect the education of the students, but some cuts have already been made with the retirements of some staff. We will know more in June when the State budget is passed. Tony also reported on the WIAA Annual meeting where a success factor proposal was brought up and then amended to a 1.6 multiplier proposal to move the private schools. A hand vote was taken for this, one of the schools wanted a voice vote. A voice vote was taken. The vote came out either the same or 1 different. The proposal failed, so the private schools will stay as is. Shawn Jepson reported on the Bike rodeo that was offered to the 2nd grade students. Each student was taught about bike safety and was rewarded with a free bike helmet. The elementary classes will be going on some field trips very soon, some of the visits include visiting a hospital, fish hatchery, RPG, planetarium, and they also will have some great visitors come to Tri-County such as Tom Pease, an ambulance and the Spud Mobile. These are all great learning experiences plus some fun for our students. Nicholas Marti reported that the Badger Exam will be finished up this week. The ACT/ASPIRE tests and AP tests will be starting next week. He also reported that the State Band /State Choir will be held next weekend. The Tri-County Track team will be hosting the Conference meet on May 16th. Also Graduation is approaching fast on May 30th at 1:00 p.m.

#173 Future Agenda Items

Open enrollment applications In/Out
Summer School Teachers
Julie Senft NovaNet/Gradpoint

#174 Announcements

Amy Anderson will be resigning her position on the school board, she is moving out the area. Tony will contact WASB on how to handle filling this vacancy.

#175 Set Meeting Dates

Athletics/HotLunch/Transportation -Thursday May 21st at 5:00 p.m.

#176 Adjourned at 9:19 p.m.

Recorded by: Wendy Hetzel

Submitted by:

Peggy Buckholt, Clerk