

**MINUTES OF**  
**Oconto Falls Board of Education Meeting**

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OCONTO FALLS PUBLIC SCHOOL DISTRICT  
May 13, 2019

**PRESENT: Harter, Stodola Eslie, Leja, Peitersen, Stranz, Gardebrecht, and Engel**

The meeting of the Oconto Falls School Board was called to order by President Ron Leja at 6:30 p.m. in the District Office Conference Room.

**Citizen Participation:**

None.

**Reports and Discussions:**

The Board had the pleasure to recognize two different students. The first the two teams that advanced to the Destination Imagination state competition. We had the pleasure of meeting a team from the elementary level and one team from the middle school.

The second were students whose art work was selected from the Art Show in March to be displayed at the District Office throughout the next year.

Jerry Moynihan shared data regarding participation, costs and upcoming events based on the Winter sports season.

In the District Administrator's Report, Superintendent Dean Hess shared many other events that had happened over the month throughout the district.

The Board took the time to recognize donations that were received over the last month.

**Reorganization:**

**PRESIDENT:** Ron Leja was nominated by Jan Stranz. A motion was made by Harter/Engel to cast an unanimous ballot for Ron Leja as President. Voice vote. Motion carried 7-0.

**VICE PRESIDENT:** Jan Stranz was nominated by Pam Engel. A motion was made by Harter/Gardebrecht to cast an unanimous ballot for Jan Stranz as Vice President. Voice vote. Motion carried 7-0.

**CLERK:** Clint Gardebrecht was nominated by Ken Harter. A motion was made by Engel/Pietersen to cast an unanimous ballot for Clint Gardebrecht as Clerk. Voice vote. Motion carried 7-0.

**TREASURER:** Ken Harter was nominated by Jan Stranz. A motion was made by Stranz/Engel to cast an unanimous ballot for Ken Harter as Treasurer. Voice vote. Motion carried 7-0.

**MEETING SCHEDULE:** The Board agreed to maintain the start time of 6:30 pm. They will continue to meet on the second Monday of each month. There are two months where the meeting will be moved. July will be on the third Monday, July 15th. The August meeting will be August 19th the same night as the Annual meeting.

**Minutes:**

A motion was made by Engel/Stranz to approve the minutes of the April 8, 2019 regular meeting. Voice vote. Motion carried 7-0.

**Financial Report: Approval of Payment Request:**

Superintendent Dean Hess gave the Financial Report. A motion was made by Harter/Gardebrecht to accept the Financial Report and approve the payment requests in the amount of \$1,113,114.00. Roll call vote. Harter, Stodola Eslie, Leja, Peitersen, Stranz, Gardebrecht, and Engel voted yes. Motion carried 7-0.

**Under New Business, the following action(s) was taken:**

**SNOW DAY MAKE UP**

No action was taken. The snow day make up plan will not change.

**RETIREMENT/RESIGNATION REQUEST(S)**

There were no retirement/resignations to consider.

## CONTRACT(S) APPROVAL

A motion was made by Stranz/Engel to approve the contract(s) for: Voice vote. Motion carried 7-0.

- ❖ Zachary Klaus, 6th Grade Social Studies Teacher
- ❖ Joseph Bebeau, 7th Grade ELA Teacher
- ❖ Danielle Dawson, 7th Grade ELA Teacher
- ❖ Alexandria Winters, High School Science Teacher
- ❖ Brittany Rogge, Elementary Teacher at Oconto Falls Elementary
- ❖ Matthew Paris, Assistant Principal at Oconto Falls Elementary

## WIAA AGREEMENT

A motion was made by Gardebrecht/Harter to renew our WIAA Agreement for the 2019-2020 school year. Voice vote. Motion carried 7-0.

## RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE PARTIAL REDEMPTION OF THE OCONTO FALLS PUBLIC SCHOOL DISTRICT \$9,090,000 GENERAL OBLIGATION PROMISSORY NOTES DATED DECEMBER 3, 2012.

A motion was made by Harter/Gardebrecht to adopt the resolution authorizing the partial redemption of the Oconto Falls Public School District \$9,090,000 general obligation promissory notes dated December 3, 2012. Voice vote. Motion carried 7-0.

## 2019-2020 STAFF SALARIES

A motion was made by Stranz/Harter to approve a 2.5% increase for the support staff, 2.5% increase for teachers and moved them into the Alternative Comp and an blended with a minimum of 2.5% increase for bus drivers. Voice vote. Motion carried 7-0.

## SUPPORT STAFF HANDBOOK

A motion was made by Engel/Harter to approve the handbook revision language to include that Professional Development for Support Staff would go from \$14.00 an hour to paying the individual staff members hourly wage for PD time. Voice vote. Motion carried 7-0.

## VETERAN'S MONUMENT

A motion was made by Stranz/Harter to approve the MOU and move forward with the construction of the monument, if all steps in the MOU were followed and agreed upon. Voice vote. Motion carried 7-0.

## POLICY REVISIONS

A motion was made by Engel/Stranz to approve the first reading of policies from Update 28-1 (without Policy #8330), with changes presented. Voice vote. Motion carried 7-0.

## CLOSED SESSION

A motion was made by Engel/Gardebrecht to move into Executive Session pursuant to Wis. Stat. Section 19.85(1)(e) deliberating or negotiating the purchase of public properties whenever competitive or bargaining reasons require closed session, specifically the Board will discuss the status of an offer to purchase real estate and Section 19.85 (1)(c), consider employment, promotion, compensation or performance evaluation data of an employee over which the Board has jurisdiction, specifically, to discuss staff evaluation(s), to discuss individual employee salary adjustments to discuss a specific employee leave of absence, and to discuss current investigations concerning employee matters. Roll call vote. Harter, Stodola Eslien, Engel, Peitersen, Stranz, Gardebrecht, and Leja voted yes. Motion carried 7-0. 8:38 p.m.

## OPEN SESSION

A motion was made by Peitersen/Engel to move into Open Session. Voice vote. Motion carried 7-0. 10:50p.m.

## POSSIBLE ACTION ON ITEMS DISCUSSED IN CLOSED SESSION

The Board approved delivery of an offer to purchase property in Closed Session.

## ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Harter/Gardebrecht to adjourn the meeting. Voice vote. Motion carried 7-0. The meeting adjourned at 10:51 p.m.

