

SCHOOL DISTRICT OF CAMBRIDGE
Cambridge, Wisconsin

BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING MINUTES

Monday, November 21, 2011

Cambridge High School Library – 6:00 PM

CALL TO ORDER. Board of Education President, Joe Pleshek called the meeting to order at 6:02 p.m. Six of seven Members present. Peg Sullivan absent.

ESTABLISHMENT OF QUORUM. Established.

PROOF OF POSTING. Provided.

ADMINISTRATIVE/COMMITTEE REPORTS.

Board Policy Committee. Committee Chair, Tim Krueger reported on the November Policy Committee Meeting.

Board Finance Committee. Committee Chair, Phil Adas reported on the November Finance Committee Meeting.

Board Communications Committee. Committee Chair, Joe Pleshek reported on the October Communications Committee Meeting.

Board Severson Learning Center Committee. Committee Chair, Tracy Smithback-Travis reported on the November Severson Learning Center Committee Meeting.

Administrative Reports. Bernie Nikolay, Superintendent, Robert Rosen, CHS Principal, George Smith, NMS Principal, and Keith Schneider, CES Principal reported on events and activities in their perspective buildings.

Cambridge Blue Jay Good News Jar. Several good news items were read by Board of Education Members, Bernie Nikolay, Kathy Davis and Mary Kay Raether.

Board Student Representative Report. Student Board Representative, Athena Golfinos reported to the Board on current student events.

PTO Board Presentation Report. No report.

PUBLIC COMMENTS. CCAP Executive Director, Bridgette Scott recognized CHS Principal, Robert Rosen as a founding member of the CCAP Board.

ITEMS FOR ACTION.

Consent Agenda. Motion made by Tracy Smithback-Travis, second by Tim Krueger to move to approve consent agenda as presented. Motion carried, consent agenda approved.

- **Staffing Report.** As presented by Sally Zentz, Human Resources Specialist.
- **Gifts and Donations.** As presented by Chris Hampton, Financial and Data Assistant.
- **Approval of Minutes of Past Meeting(s).** As presented for the month of October by Mary Kay Raether, Administrative Office Assistant.
- **Treasurer's Report and Presentation of Monthly Vouchers.** For the month of October, as presented from Director of Business Services, Kathy Davis.

Discussion and Possible Action on New Policy #185.6 Board Curriculum Committee. Motion made by Glenn Bolt, second by Phil Adas, to move to approve Policy #185.6 as presented. Motion carried, policy approved.

Discussion and Possible Action on New Policy 185.7 Board Transportation Standing Committee. Motion made by Tim Krueger, second by Greg Engelstad, to move to approve Policy #185.7 as presented. Motion carried, policy approved.

Discussion and Possible Action on Revision to Policy 185.2 Board Finance Standing Committee. Motion made by Tracy Smithback-Travis, second by Phil Adas, to move to approve Policy #185.2 as presented. Motion carried, policy approved.

Discussion and Possible Action on Revision to Policy 185 Board Committees. Motion made by Tracy Smithback-Travis, second by Phil Adas, to move to approve Policy #185 as presented. Motion carried, policy approved.

Discussion and Possible Action on Revision to Policy 171.2 Agenda Preparation and Dissemination. Motion made by Tracy Smithback-Travis, second by Tim Krueger, to move to approve Policy #171.2 as presented. Motion carried, policy approved.

Discussion and Possible Action on Repeal of Policy 171.21 Agenda Format-First Read. Motion made by Phil Adas, second by Tracy Smithback-Travis, to move to approve Policy #171.2 as presented. Motion carried, policy approved.

Discussion and Possible Action on Policy 166 Student Representation at Board Meetings. Motion made by Tim Krueger, second by Tracy Smithback-Travis, to move to approve Policy #166 as presented. Motion carried, policy approved.

Action on Extended Field Trip Request CHS Band and Choir to NYC June 11-16 – Bob Rosen.

Motion made by Tracy Smithback-Travis, second by Greg Engelstad, to move to approve the field trip request as presented. Motion carried, trip request approved.

Action on Extended Field Trip Request to Dorian Musical Festival at Luther College, Decorah, IA – Bob Rosen. Motion made by Phil Adas, second by Tim Krueger, to move to approve the field trip request as presented. Motion carried, trip request approved.

Discussion and Possible Action on Community Pool Collaboration Agreement with the Cambridge Community Activities Program (CAP). Motion made by Tracy Smithback-Travis, second by Greg Engelstad, to move to approve the community pool collaboration with CAP as presented. Motion carried, collaboration approved.

Discussion and Possible Action on Lawsuit Against WEA Trust for Early Retiree Re-insurance Program Funds. Tabled at this evenings meeting per Administration.

Discussion and Possible Action of Addition of AP Social Studies Course – Government. Motion made by Tracy Smithback-Travis, second by Tim Krueger, to move to approve the addition of AP Social Studies-Government and AP Social Studies-Psychology as additions to the 2012-2012 course description book as presented as well as, two additional math courses, Statistics and Dual Credit Math (MATC) as presented. Motion carried, courses approved.

Discussion and Possible Action of Addition of AP Social Studies Course – Psychology. See motion as made in previous item.

Discussion and Possible Action of 2012 – 2013 Course Description Book for Cambridge High School. Motion made by Tim Krueger, second by Phil Adas, to move to approve the CHS Course Description book as presented. Motion carried, course description book approved.

Discussion and Possible Action on Removal and Restructuring of the “old playground “ at Nikolay Middle School. Motion made by Phil Adas, second by Glenn Bolt to move to approve the restructuring of the NMS playground as presented. Motion carried, restructuring approved.

ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION.

Discussion and Possible First Reading on Revision to Policy #832 Dangerous Weapons.

Superintendent, Bernie Nikolay reviewed revisions with the Board. Adding concealed carry language to the policy that staff cannot carry while at work for the District.

Discussion on Possible First Reading on New Policy #447.4 Alternatives to Expulsion. Superintendent Nikolay is bringing forth to the Board an alternative policy regarding student expulsion. Proposed policy lessens the number of expulsion brought to the Board level and assists in keeping the expulsion off of students life-time record. Brief Board discussion. Bring back to December meeting as an item for action.

Discussion and Possible Action on Two-Year Lease Extension with the Cambridge Historical School Foundation. Mr. Nikolay reviewed. This is a first read of this item. Few differences between new lease versus old lease/carification purposes only. Allows for a two-year extension of lease. Nancy Amacher, Historical School Foundation President, present, thanked the Board for their consideration of approval of this lease. Bring back to the December Board Meeting as an item for action.

SUCH OTHER MATTERS AS AUTHORIZED BY LAW.

ADJOURNMENT. Motion made by Glenn Bolt, second by Tracy Smithback-Travis to move to adjourn meeting. Motion carried, meeting adjourned at 8:34 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted: Mary Kay Raether, Recorder

Approved as Presented/With Changes as Noted: _____