

SCHOOL DISTRICT OF PRENTICE
REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION
Tuesday, April 18, 2023 – 7:00 PM
Prentice School Library

MINUTES

The meeting was called to order by President Erickson at 7:00 PM.

Board members present: Adams, Blomberg, Erickson, Gierman, Gladson, Gruber, Isaacson, Palmquist and Pierson.

Motion Adams, second Gierman to approve minutes from the March 20, 2023 regular meeting. Carried

Motion Blomberg, second Palmquist to approve the Financial Report. Carried

Motion Blomberg, second Gierman to approve the Vouchers. Carried

APRIL DISBURSEMENTS

P/R CKS #	18358 – 18520	\$173,156.14
GEN CKS #	59574 – 59633	\$201,710.99
FED W/H FICA STATE W/H		\$56,149.55
STRS/WRS		<u>\$30,965.04</u>
TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS		\$461,981.72

Community Input:

Helen Palmquist was asked by Dale Heikkinen about getting pictures that were in the 1938 building put up. He would volunteer to do the work, just needs a location. Discussed were some possible locations. The best may be the hallway on east side of the Library. It will be followed up.

Danielle Gruber stated if having such difficulty finding bus drivers what about contracting the bussing out. The board has done this a couple of times over the years. Past responses have been our district is too spread out, another said would need other business in the area to work out. Mr. Bergman stated private carriers are also struggling to find drivers. Erickson stated that it can be looked into.

Dianne Gierman said she was asked by someone if there could be a longer break than just the Easter Break days. It has been discussed in the past, would have to be worked into the school calendar.

Dianne Gierman also asked what became of the Committee that was going to look into the impact from changing the 2023-2024 calendar would be. Administration has gotten together with the 2 Board members Adams and Gruber. Still are working out details, will need to know by June.

The Principal's Report was started by Mr. Bergman:

- A month or so ago the camera was installed above the back kitchen door.
- The Fulcrum Grant for the Track Project has been received. The Grant is for \$250,000. As stands now the estimate for the project is at \$350,000. Erickson said he thinks should try to come up with the additional dollars to make the project go. Mr. Bergman will need to sign and return papers soon. The District would have until December of 2024 to complete the project. Gladson suggested getting another estimate for the project. Erickson said this could be done. Mr. Bergman said when he got an estimate a number years back it was \$500,000.
- Summer School Breakfast and Lunch will be free to students.
- WIAA meeting regarding equity in competition is coming up.
- The bus loan is thru International at 5.1%, over life of the loan it will be a savings of \$4,000 over what Community and Nicolet would have been.
- Health Insurance is going up by 10% across the board for everyone.

Mrs. Isaacson continued the Report:

- Got the ACT scores back today, they were up overall by 4 points from last year.
- 8 students will be attending a Leadership Conference next Friday.
- Juniors will be touring the UWSP Marathon Campus this Friday.
- Baseball and Softball have each gotten 1 game in so far.
- A group of teachers will be going to the Hayward School May 4th to see their reading program.
- Mrs. Isaacson sent out an electronic informational update to parents. It will also be on the school website.

Per Mr. Bergman the Library needs 10 new Chromebooks.

Motion Blomberg, second Gruber to authorize purchase of 10 new Chromebooks for the Library. Carried

Mrs. Isaacson said 2 students are interested in the Start College Now Students/Welding Academy. 1 wants to enroll now.

Motion Adams, second Blomberg to approve a students enrollment in the Start College Now Students Welding/Academy. Carried

Mrs. Isaacson said the PK-Screening went well. 11 students were screened. It's hard to say what will happen by next year. Some may be special needs students.

The Carl Perkins is a Federal Grant that has been applied for and received annually. The amount is \$4,000.

Motion Gierman, second Gladson to accept the Carl Perkins Grant. Carried

Mrs. Dettmering relayed information to the board on Special Education Services. She distributed and explained the handouts regarding the programs. Some of what was covered was evaluation, intervention, IEP and 504 plans. The District is doing the best it can with the resources available.

Motion Gladson, second Adams to accept the resignation of Jason Raab from his position as Assistant Softball Coach. Carried

Motion Gierman, second Adams to hire Sheridan Kalander as Assistant Softball Coach. Carried

Motion Blomberg, second Palmquist to accept the resignation of Allan Schneider from his position as Assistant Baseball Coach. Carried

Motion Adams, second Gierman to hire Seth Hueckman as Assistant Baseball Coach. Carried

Adams and Blomberg are appointed as Board Representatives for High School Graduation.

Last year Kerber Rose did the Districts Financial Audit.

Motion Gierman second Gruber to have Kerber Rose Audit the Districts Financials 2023-2024. Carried

Motion Gierman, second Blomberg to hire Derek Rhody as School Bus Driver. Carried

Motion Palmquist, second Gladson to convene to closed session pursuant to Wis Statutes 19.85 (1) (c) for the purpose of considering employment, promotion, compensation or performance evaluation data of any public employee over which the governmental body has jurisdiction to discuss personnel. Specifically, data related to a request for a leave of absence.

Roll Call Vote:

Gruber, yes - Adams, yes - Blomberg, yes - Gierman, yes - Gladson, yes - Erickson, yes
Pierson, yes - Palmquist, yes - Isaacson, yes

All yes votes convened to closed session at 8:55 PM.

The meeting returned to open session at 9:05 PM.

Motion Gierman, second Isaacson to grant Mary Dunbar a leave of absence based on her request. Carried

Motion Gruber, second Gladson to give contracts to all teachers on previous meeting list adding Morgan Tinnen. Carried

The Oath of Office for New School Board Members Randy Erickson, Helen Palmquist and Darrell Pierson was administered.

Motion Blomberg, second Gladson to adjourn. Carried

The meeting adjourned at 9:10 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

Darrell E. Pierson, Board of Education Clerk