

SCHOOL DISTRICT OF PRENTICE  
REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION  
Monday, January 15, 2024 - 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 Blomberg, second Gierman to accept minutes from the December 19, 2023 regular and January 2, 2024 special meetings. Carried

Motion Gierman, second Adams to approve the Financial Report. Carried

Motion Blomberg, second Gladson to approve the Vouchers. Carried

**JANUARY DISBURSEMENTS**

P/R CKS #	19741 – 19899	\$163,687.64
GEN CKS #	60257 – 60310	\$304,592.53
FED W/H FICA STATE W/H		\$51,807.08
STRS/WRS		<u>\$30,533.98</u>
TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS		\$550,621.23

**Community Input:**

Dianne Gierman asked about the advertising billboards on Highway that the school have agreed to partially fund with others. Mr. Bergman believes the company had sold out and it never happened, he will check into it.

Dianne also asked if anything had been done regarding sale of land that Brad Swenson had asked about. Erickson said approval to dispose of land had been granted at the Annual Meeting but has gone no further.

Erickson reported that Janak and Sons have moved onto the School Timber Sale located off Highway 13. They will start hauling tomorrow.

**Principal's Report:**

The Student Liason Leah Nehls was present at the meeting. Handed out was a sheet "Student Review". Second semester is approaching. The student council hosted a blood drive collecting 33 pints. Regards to Referendum Money the students would like to see a student lounge set up. It would be for Seniors and Juniors with good standing in their class. Teachers would not need to be there to supervise.

Mrs. Isaacson continued the report:

-The games are now on YouTube, Wendy Sielaff has put a lot of hours in to get it up and running.

-Things are going well at school in general.

- Rolling into second semester.
- Camp Forest Springs outing will be the first part of February.
- High School Forensics have started.
- Pops Concert will be coming up February 12<sup>th</sup>.
- The Regional Spelling Bee will be hosted by Prentice.

Motion Blomberg, second Gierman to do a Resolution Authorizing the School District Budget to Exceed Revenue Limit by \$1,800,000 for Recurring Purposes.

Roll Call Vote:

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

All yes votes the motion carried.

Motion Gladson, second Gruber to do a Resolution Providing for a Referendum Election on the Question of the Approval of a Resolution Authorizing the School District Budget to Exceed Revenue Limit by \$1,800,000 for Recurring Purposes.

Roll call Vote:

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

All yes votes motion carried.

Erickson read a letter of resignation from Heather Mayer from her position as High School Social Studies Department. The District thanks her for her years of service.  
Motion Blomberg, second Palmquist to accept Heather Mayer's letter of resignation.

Carried

Mr. Bergman will check with her to see if she wanted her letter to say Retirement instead of Resignation.

Erickson read a letter of Retirement from Julianna Pemper from her position as PK-5 Physical Education Teacher. The District thanks her for her years of service.

Motion Gierman, second Gladson to accept Julianna Pemper's letter of retirement.

Carried

The District January Student Count is down by 3 students. The 3 students were in the RVA. They were removed from the program for not completing the work. Mr. Bergman will get the actual numbers for the count.

Motion Gruber, second Adams to approve the Open Enrollment Space Availability Chart as presented. Carried

Handed out was a proposed CESA 9 2024-25 Shared Service Contract. Isaacson commented that teachers have expressed frustrations with CESA special education and testing along with students that need assistance that aren't getting it. Mr. Bergman explained that in the past all the Federal protocols to be in special education haven't been adhered to. In some cases supporting classroom data has not been provided to have a student in special education. There is a Federal audit of the program coming up next year. CESA is going back and updating the paper work for all students in the special education program. There is a big shortage of money coming back from the Federal government only 28%, was supposed to be considerably more. They won't pay anymore. This is going on in many districts not just Prentice. Mr. Bergman said he has been communicating with CESA 9 regarding this matter and will continue to. He does need specific examples of problems.

Motion Gladson, second Adams to Table Agenda Item # 12. Consider CESA 9 Shared Services Contract, until further communications with CESA occur. Carried

A proposed Prentice School District 2024-2025 Academic Year Calendar was presented. Mr. Bergman said it is very similar to the calendar approved by the board last year. Kristy Zierer has worked with it a lot. Adams asked if the calendar had been reviewed by other staff. Mr. Bergman said it had not because last year had done that and the board rearranged it without further comment from staff. Some of what was discussed by the board was length of the school day, number of days, spring break and start and end dates to the school year. Administration will put together a committee representing the different areas including Administrator and Principal to work on the calendar.

Reporting on the 2024 School Board Spring Election April 2, 2024 Incumbents Nick Adams and Emily Blomberg are running unopposed. Mallory Hueckman is running against incumbent Dianne Gierman.

The Board of Canvassers for the Spring Election will consist of Wendy Sielaff, Helen Palmquist and Darrell Pierson.

Motion Gladson, second Gierman to extend Mrs. Isaacson's Principal's contract by one year to the 2025-2026 School Year. Carried

Motion Gladson, second Gruber to convene into 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 government body has jurisdiction to discuss personnel. Specifically, discussion on district administrator applications.

Roll Call Vote:

Issacson, yes

Palmquist, yes

Gierman, yes

Gladson, yes

Erickson, yes

Pierson, yes

Gruber, yes

Blomberg, yes

Adams, yes

All yes votes the meeting convened into closed session at 8:55 PM.

The meeting adjourned from closed session at 9:40 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

Darrell E. Pierson, Board of Education Clerk