

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

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OCONTO FALLS PUBLIC SCHOOL DISTRICT

January 14, 2019

PRESENT: Harter, Krumrei, Leja, Peitersen, Stranz, and Engel

The meeting of the Oconto Falls School Board was called to order by President Ron Leja at 5:30 p.m. in the District Office Conference Room.

Citizen Participation:

Bob Maloney shared a modified design visual for the Board and those in attendance. He wanted to be there in case there was any questions of the Board. During the discussion of the Board on the Veteran's Monument, the Board asked Bob if he felt the MOU was obtainable and he agreed on behalf of the groups he is working with.

Minutes:

A motion was made by Engel/Krumrei to approve the minutes of the December 10 regular meeting and December 17, 2018 special meeting. Voice vote. Motion carried 6-0.

Financial Report: Approval of Payment Request:

Superintendent Dean Hess gave the Financial Report. A motion was made by Harter/Stranz to accept the Financial Report and approve the payment requests in the amount of \$795,922. Roll call vote. Harter, Krumrei, Leja, Peitersen, Stranz, and Engel voted yes. Motion carried 6-0.

Reports and Discussions:

High School Student Representatives Laken Wall and Elizabeth Ausloos shared some things that are happening at the High School.

In the District Administrator's Report, Superintendent Dean Hess announced that this year's receipt of the Distinguished Service Award was Sandra Pardy. He wanted to public thank those that have helped out throughout the district over the past month to put on some really great events to holiday concerts, athletic events, VEX Robotics, and many more. He shared that the Administrator Team and Supervisors have met and started to work on the 2019-2020 budget.

A list of current donations that have been made to the district were shared with the Board.

In the April election for the school board we will have Tracey Krumrei, Ron Leja, Sharon Stodola-Eslien, and Randy Vannm on the ballot.

Each year in January, we review the current IRS mileage reimbursement rate and adjust the District's per policy which this year went from \$0.545 to \$0.58.

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

VETERANS MONUMENT

A motion was made by Harter/Engel to approve the MOU with the terms presented along with the following options. Voice vote. Motion carried 5-1.

- ❖ \$20,000 sinking fund to be established before construction starts
- ❖ \$300.00 annual fee to cover snow plowing and grass cutting
- ❖ \$1350.00 annually to cover liability insurance, with the understanding that if the insurance costs increases this amount will change to cover the cost
- ❖ 50% of attorney fees
- ❖ A soil test prior to construction paid for by the Veterans
- ❖ Must be Handicapped accessible
- ❖ The School Board will have final approval of the design before construction starts
- ❖ The School Board will have the right to raze, if ever needed
- ❖ 75% of the total project costs needs to be in an account before construction starts.

POLICY REVISIONS

A motion was made by Engel/Stranz to approve the second reading of policy revisions of NEOLA Update 27-2 and Policy #6423. Voice vote. Motion carried 6-0.

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

RETIREMENT REQUEST

A motion was made by Krumrei/Engel to accept and approve the retirement request of Greg Boehmer effective January 14, 2019 with no penalties and full access to his post employment benefits. Voice vote. Motion carried 6-0.

2019-2020 OPEN ENROLLMENT

A motion was made by Harter/Stranz to approve the Open Enrollment space availability for 2019-2020, as presented. Voice vote. Motion carried 6-0.

SCHOOL BOARD SCHOLARSHIP REVIEW

A motion was made by Harter/Peitersen to approve the language revisions to the School Board Policy Scholarship which includes being awarded to the Senior Representative regardless if a parent is on the School Board and other changes as presented. Voice vote. Motion carried 6-0.

DONATION

A motion was made by Harter/Peitersen to accept a donation in the amount of \$15,000 from the Panther Pride Association to fund the new batting cages at the Softball field. Voice vote. Motion carried 6-0.

2019-2020 HIGH SCHOOL COURSE DESCRIPTION BOOK

A motion was made by Engel/Harter to accept the 2019-2020 High School Course Description book, as presented. Voice vote. Motion carried 6-0.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

A motion was made by Stranz/Harter 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)(f), considering financial, medical, or personal histories of specific persons, specifically, to consider a request from an employee for a leave of absences and related considerations. Roll call vote. Harter, Krumrei, Engel, Peitersen, Stranz, and Leja voted yes. Motion carried 6-0. 7:44 p.m.

OPEN SESSION

A motion was made by Peitersen/Stranz to move into Open Session. Voice vote. Motion carried 6-0. 8:10 p.m.

POSSIBLE ACTION ON ITEMS DISCUSSED IN EXECUTIVE SESSION

No action taken.

ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Peitersen/Harter to adjourn the meeting. Voice vote. Motion carried 6-0. The meeting adjourned at 8:12 p.m.