

The West Bend-Mallard CSD Board of Directors held their Regular Meeting on Tuesday, November 12, 2024, in the West Bend-Mallard Administration Board Room, 300 3<sup>rd</sup> Ave SW, West Bend, IA 50597.

The meeting was called to order at 5:30 pm by President John Zaugg. The following members were present: Dave Bruellman, Jillian Hansen, Nicole Myer, and Dawn Schmidt. Absent: Chris Montag and Lisa Traub

Visitors: Superintendent Paul Peppmeier, Board Secretary Crystal Eggers, Principal Tiffany Morey, Principal Tyson Wirtz, Jo Bernau, Ashley Laubenthal, Cindy Bormann, and Jennica Ruppert.

All motions are unanimously approved unless noted.

Approve Agenda: Bruellman moved to approve the agenda. Seconded by Schmidt. Motion carried.

Educational News: Tiffany Morey updated the board that the elementary students visited the Care Center with their Halloween costumes which the residents really love. Veteran's Day program went really well and had great attendance. On November 26<sup>th</sup> we will have Breakfast Buddies for the 3 year old preschool to 3<sup>rd</sup> grade. Parent Teacher Conferences were well attended by the elementary. They had 96% attendance. Intermediate and MS had a very low attendance for their conferences. Hope to improve in the spring.

Tyson Wirtz updated the board that the high school finished a strong 1<sup>st</sup> quarter. Students and staff have been great to work with so far this year and we are seeing a lot of great work. Parent Teacher Conferences were last week, and our attendance was down this year compared to last year. We finished up fall sports with strong performances by all three sports. Great work by soils team, state dance solos, marching band, livestock judging, and a fantastic fall play by the high school. National Honor Society selections are coming up this Thursday.

Rachel Montag submitted her report to the board that we just purchased some new health curriculum for our new health instructor. Wanted to make sure we had some more up to date materials.

Superintendent Peppmeier updated the board that last Tuesday he attended the Twin Lakes Superintendent Meeting and that the Lakes Conference is disbanding. Estherville has requested to join the Twin Lakes Conference which they got voted down. The wrestling room uptown is almost ready to go for the season. It is a temporary fix for now and we will complete the remodel after the season ends and we know what we want to do with the space. An update on the FFA shed is that the dirt is dug up and getting ready to pour the pad in the spring. This Friday our 2<sup>nd</sup> graders will be going to Gilmore City Bradgate to work on building a connection with the second graders down there.

Old Business: None

Financial Reports: Myer moved to approve the financial reports as presented. Seconded by Bruellman. Motion carried.

Consent Agenda: Myer moved to approve Consent Agenda: Approve Minutes, Approve Warrants, Open Enrollments as presented, Fundraisers (Sponsorship – Livestock Judging, Sell Old Yearbooks - Yearbook), Approve 2<sup>nd</sup> Reading of Board Policies – 502.06, 505.02, 603.01, & 603.12. Seconded by Hansen. Motion carried.

Bruellman made a motion at 6:09 pm to adjourn the 2023-2024 school board. Motion carried.

The West Bend-Mallard CSD Board of Directors held their Organizational Meeting on Tuesday, November 12, 2024, in the West Bend-Mallard Administration Board Room, 300 3<sup>rd</sup> Ave SW, West Bend, IA 50597.

The meeting was called to order at 6:10 pm by Superintendent Peppmeier. The following members were present: Dave Bruellman (left at 7:08 pm), Jillian Hansen, Nicole Myer, Dawn Schmidt, and Lisa Traub (arrived 6:35 pm). Absent: Chris Montag

Visitors: Superintendent Paul Peppmeier, Board Secretary Crystal Eggers, Principal Tiffany Morey, Principal Tyson Wirtz, Jo Bernau, Ashley Laubenthal, Cindy Bormann, and Jennica Ruppert.

Approve Agenda: Zaugg moved to approve the agenda. Seconded by Bruellman. Motion carried.

New Business

Motion made by Schmidt to nominate John Zaugg as Board President. Seconded by Hanson. Myer requested all nominations cease. Zaugg was voted President by unanimous vote with Zaugg abstaining from voting.

Motion made by Hansen to nominate Dave Bruellman as Vice President. Seconded by Myer. Schmidt requested all nominations to cease. Bruellman was voted Vice President by unanimous vote with Bruellman abstaining from voting.

Board Secretary Eggers administered the Oath of Office to re-elected President Zaugg and Vice President Bruellman.

Cindy Bormann spoke to the board on behalf of the Wolverine Den. They would like to see if it is possible to have some type of collaboration with the school taking over the Den as a possibility and would also like to possibly purchase meals from the school. The school will investigate options and bring this back to a later board meeting.

Motion made by Schmidt to approve the two early graduation requests contingent all WBM requirements for graduation are met. Seconded by Myer. Motion carried.

Motion made by Bruellman to approve 5 virtual make up days. Seconded by Traub. Motion carried.

Motion made by Traub to approve the Internship Changes as presented for 2025-2026 school year. Seconded by Hansen. Motion carried.

No action on Early Retirement

Dawn Schmidt made a motion to apply for a Mini Grant from PACGDC for Library Furniture not to exceed \$5,000 and to use the Full Grant funds for remodeling the elementary classrooms. Seconded by Nicole Myer. Motion carried.

Motion made by Myer to approve the administration locker room project with an estimated cost of \$150,000. Seconded by Hansen. Motion carried.

Discussion was held on Facility Improvements and the board will continue to look into purchasing land by the football field.

1<sup>st</sup> Reading of Board Policies – 710.01, 710.01R1, 710.01E1, 801.03, & 803.02

Resignations: Motion made by Traub to approve the resignation from Luke Brown as Maintenance Director. Seconded by Schmidt. Motion carried.

Contracts: Motion made by Traub to approve hiring Pete Carlson as Custodian/Maintenance and John Rasmussen as Maintenance Director. Seconded by Myer. Motion carried.

Hansen moved to adjourn at 7:51 pm. Motion carried.

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John Zaugg, Board President

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Crystal Eggers, Board Secretary