

MINUTES – Board of Education

Port Washington-Saukville School District

January 11, 2021

I. REGULAR MEETING OF THE SCHOOL BOARD

President Brenda Fritsch called the regular meeting of the Port Washington-Saukville School District Board of Education to order at 6:00 p.m. on Monday, January 11, 2021, in the Port Washington High School Performing Arts Center. Remote audio access was available to the public.

BOARD MEMEMBERS PRESENT: Kelly O'Connell-Perket, Yvonne Klotz, Brian McCutcheon, Aaron Paulin, Matthew Uselding, Douglas Mueller, Sara McCutcheon, Brian Stevens, Brenda Fritsch

EXCUSED: None

OTHERS PRESENT: Dr. Weber, Duane Woelfel, Chris Surfus, Mel Nettesheim, Heidi Belohlav, Sandy Crain, Bryan Ryer, Thad Gabrielse, Dan Solórzano, Nate Hinze, Steve Sukawaty, Jodi Swagel, John Bunyan, Joanna Bannon, Jane Gennerman, Jeff Carron, Schanen IV, and approximately 90 in-person teachers, parents, community members, and 149 call-in attendees

II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

III. PARENT/VISITOR PARTICIPATION/CONTRIBUTIONS ON AGENDA AND NON-AGENDA ITEMS:

S. Crain addressed the Board on behalf of the Port Washington-Saukville Education Association. She read a letter thanking the Board, administrators, and staff for all of their work the past several months to continue providing a quality education to students, while dealing with the safety challenges posed by COVID19.

B. Fritsch invited parents and community members in attendance wishing to address the Board to do so at this time, and to limit comments to 2-3 minutes to allow time for everyone an opportunity to speak. One adults and five students addressed the Board, encouraging them to vote to approve the administration's proposed 5-day-per-week in-person instruction plan.

There were no other parent/visitor comments on agenda and non-agenda items.

IV. CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS:

S. McCutcheon, seconded by Y. Klotz, moved to approve Consent Agenda items A-D which includes Approval of Minutes of the Regular Meeting of 12/14/20 and Special Meeting of 1/04/21; Approval of Salary Schedules #12.2, and #1.1; and Approval of Schedule of Bills #12.2 and 1.1. Roll call vote: K. O'Connell-Perket, aye; Y. Klotz, aye; B. McCutcheon, aye; A. Paulin, aye; D. Mueller, aye; M. Uselding, aye; S. McCutcheon, aye; B. Stevens, aye; B. Fritsch, aye. Motion passed unanimously.

V. NEW BUSINESS:

Administrators presented the Board with a recommended second semester reentry plan for returning to 5-day-per-week instruction with a virtual option beginning at the start of second semester (January 25, 2021). It was noted that parents wishing to have their child participate in an alternate schedule with some days being in-person and some days virtual could work with their child's principal to develop the plan. Board members asked several questions of administrators in regard to the proposed plan, COVID19 safety procedures and protocols, vaccine availability/planning, student mental health, managing an expected increase in the number of virtual students, live-streaming resources and readiness, teacher preparation and collaboration time, and substitute teacher availability. D. Mueller and A. Paulin expressed support for a return to 5-day-per-week in-person instruction. B. Stevens and M. Uselding indicated that although they were initially were in favor of a slower re-entry of 4-days-per-week in-person while keeping virtual Wednesdays, they would support a return to the 5-days-per-week in-person based on the information provided. Y. Klotz, S. McCutcheon, and B. Stevens read statements expressing their thoughts. B. Fritsch stated that parents also have a responsibility to help ensure

the success of 5-day-per-week in-person instruction by making sure that both they and their children abide by COVID19 safety protocols of mask wearing and social distancing both in and outside of school. M. Uselding, seconded by D. Mueller, moved to approve the proposed second semester reentry plan as presented. Roll call vote: K. O'Connell-Perket, aye; Y. Klotz, aye; B. McCutcheon, aye; A. Paulin, aye; D. Mueller, aye; M. Uselding, aye; S. McCutcheon, aye; B. Stevens, aye; B. Fritsch, aye. Motion passed unanimously.

Board Clerk K. O'Connell-Perket supervised the random drawing of lots for ballot order for the February 16th Spring Primary Election, as prescribed by law. Dr. Weber read off the names from folded slips of paper of the five candidates running for two City of Port Washington apportioned school board seats. The slips of paper were then folded and placed in a box for the drawing. After the Board Clerk shook the box several times, Board Vice President B. Stevens, drew the candidates' names one at a time. The names will appear on the spring primary election ballot as drawn in the following order: 1) Danielle Mayer, 2) Brenda Fritsch, 3) Aaron Paulin, 4) Rob Clearwater, 5) Robert Brooks.

The Board reviewed the Wisconsin Association of School Boards' proposed resolutions in preparation for the 2021 WASB Delegate Assembly. It was noted that during the Board's reorganizational meeting in May of 2020, the Board appointed Y. Klotz as WASB Delegate, with the authority to vote on the 2021 Delegate Assembly resolutions on behalf of the Board. Y. Klotz thanked the Board for allowing her to act on their behalf at the 2021 Delegate Assembly meeting.

Based on recommendations by the Administrative Council, and with criteria being used to determine space availability as outlined in Board Policy 5113 and Administrative Guideline 5113, Y. Klotz, seconded by B. McCutcheon, moved to designate the available open enrollment spaces for the 2021-22 school year as indicated in the chart presented, approve all students attending under a current-year tuition waiver, approve all applications for siblings of currently open-enrolled students in the District, and approve all currently open enrolled students entering 9th grade without the need for reapplication. Roll call vote: K. O'Connell-Perket, aye; Y. Klotz, aye; B. McCutcheon, aye; A. Paulin, aye; D. Mueller, aye; M. Uselding, aye; S. McCutcheon, aye; B. Stevens, aye; B. Fritsch, aye. Motion passed unanimously.

Elementary (Early Childhood, 4K, and Grades K-4)				
Program	Total Capacity In Program	Current Occupied Spaces In Program	Projected Increase in Resident Students	Seats Available for Open Enrollment Students
Regular Education	1100			300
Early Childhood	24	16	8	0
Autism	16	18	2	0
Intellectual Disability	5	2	3	0
Emotional/Behavioral Disorder	8	6	3	0
Other Health Impaired	14	12	4	0
Speech/Language	70	64	9	0
Specific Learning Disability / Significant Developmental Delay	30	33	0	0

Middle School (Grades 5-8)				
Program	Total Capacity In Program	Current Occupied Spaces In Program	Projected Increase in Resident Students	Seats Available for Open Enrollment Students
Regular Education	860			110
Autism	22	21	2	0
Intellectual Disability	7	9	0	0
Emotional/Behavioral Disorder	12	11	2	0
Other Health Impaired	45	43	3	0
Speech/Language	20	21	0	0
Specific Learning Disability	20	16	5	0

High School (Grades 9-12)				
Program	Total Capacity In Program	Current Occupied Spaces In Program	Projected Increase in Resident Students	Seats Available for Open Enrollment Students
Regular Education	770			140
Autism	15	20	0	0

Intellectual Disability	5	4	2	0
Emotional/Behavioral Disorder	20	20	0	0
Other Health Impaired	30	32	0	0
Speech/Language	10	9	1	0
Specific Learning Disability	30	34	0	0

VI. UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

Dr. Weber presented Resolution 1/11/21(1) to fill extracurricular vacancies in the District. S. McCutcheon, seconded by Y. Klotz, moved to approve Resolution 1/11/21(1) as presented. Roll call vote: K. O’Connell-Perket, aye; Y. Klotz, aye; B. McCutcheon, aye; A. Paulin, aye; D. Mueller, aye; M. Uselding, aye; S. McCutcheon, aye; B. Stevens, aye; B. Fritsch, aye. Motion passed unanimously.

Dr. Weber requested Board approval of the preschool contracts with partner sites for the 2020-21 school year. Y. Klotz, seconded by A. Paulin, moved to approve the preschool contracts as presented. Roll call vote: K. O’Connell-Perket, aye; Y. Klotz, aye; B. McCutcheon, aye; A. Paulin, aye; D. Mueller, aye; M. Uselding, aye; S. McCutcheon, aye; B. Stevens, aye; B. Fritsch, aye. Motion passed unanimously.
M. Nettesheim gave the monthly budget update.

VII. ADMINISTRATIVE/MANAGEMENT REPORTS or ANNOUNCEMENTS:

District-wide Committee Reports by Board Members: None

Superintendent’s Report: None

Dr. Weber shared information for the upcoming State Education Convention.

B. Fritsch and Dr. Weber shared upcoming Board meeting dates.

VIII. CORRESPONDENCE:

K. O’Connell-Perket passed around a thank-you card to the Board from a staff member.

IX. ADJOURN

There being no further business to come before the Board of Education, K. O’Connell-Perket, seconded by B. McCutcheon, moved to adjourn the meeting. Voice vote: all aye. Meeting adjourned at 8:48 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Kelly O’Connell-Perket
School Board Clerk