

**MINUTES OF BOARD OF EDUCATION
SCHOOL DISTRICT OF ARCADIA
REGULAR BOARD MEETING
JANUARY 15, 2018**

A regular meeting of the Board of Education of the School District of Arcadia was held in the high school room 219 in the City of Arcadia, County of Trempealeau, Wisconsin, on Monday, January 15, 2018. The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Board President Loren Wolfe. Board members present were Loren Wolfe, Mike Edmunds, Dana Conrad, Paul Servais, Rodney Walters, Randy Nilsestuen. Also present were Louie Ferguson, Michele Butler, Paul Halverson, Alan Herman, Jackie Schira, Dana Hoesley, Carmen Lee, JoAnne Wier, Jim and Judy Ziegeweid, Jason Lockington, Ben Golden, Anna Cardarella, Thanh Bai-Duquette, Dale Karls, Barb Tock and Zac Bellman. Brian Steinlicht was absent.

President Loren Wolfe announced the verification and compliance with the open meeting law.

Closed session was announced for discussion of issues exempt under Wisconsin Statute 19.85(1)(c): A) Probationary Teacher Status Update, B) Review of Administrators and Supervisors Evaluations, C) Discuss Pupil Services Director Contract/Position.

Motion was made by Randy Nilsestuen and seconded by Rodney Walters to approve the agenda. Motion carried 6-0.

President Loren Wolfe led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Motion was made by Paul Servais and seconded by Dana Conrad to approve the minutes of the December 18, 2017 regular meeting (open and closed sessions) and the minutes of the December 13, 2017 special meeting and the minutes of the January 8, 2018 special meetings (open and closed sessions) and the minutes of the January 9, 2018 special meeting. Motion carried 6-0.

Anna Cardarella, Executive Director, Jim Ziegewied, Vice President, \ and Thanh Bai-Duquette, Head Start Director, all of the Western Dairyland Community Action Agency presented a Community Action award for Expletory Service to Community to Paul Halverson, Elementary Principal and Louie Ferguson, Superintendent for their collaboration with the Head Start Program and their commitment to children.

Anna Cardarella, Thanh Bai-Duquette, and Dale Karls left at 7:09 p.m.

A High School Principal report was given by Alan Herman. He updated the board with his second semester class size enrollments.

A Middle School Principal report was given by Michele Butler. She gave an update with the second semester class size enrollments.

An Elementary School Principal report was given by Paul Halverson. He also updated the board with his current enrollment and class sizes.

A Special education report was given by Jackie Schira, Director of Pupil Services. She updated the board with the student numbers with the special education staff.

A motion was made by Rodney Walters and seconded by Randy Nilsestuen to not cap open enrollment for regular and special education for the 2018-19 school year. Motion carried 6-0.

A motion was made by Randy Nilsestuen and seconded by Rodney Walters to allow part-time open enrollment for the 2018-19 school year. Motion carried 6-0.

A motion was made by Paul Servais and seconded by Rodney Walters to approve the 2018-19 calendar as presented. Motion carried 6-0.

A motion was made by Paul Servais and seconded by Rodney Walters to approve the 2017-18 Employee Handbook. Motion carried 6-0.

A motion was made by Paul Servais and seconded by Randy Nilsestuen to accept the resignation of Araceli Carreon, ELL paraprofessional. Motion carried 6-0.

Item H, Consideration of full-time cook resignation, was tabled.

A motion was made by Randy Nilsestuen and seconded by Paul Servais to approve the Initial Resolution Authorizing General Obligation Bonds in an Amount not to Exceed \$4,000,000. Roll call vote: 6-0.

A motion was made by Randy Nilsestuen and seconded by Rodney Walters to approve the Resolution providing for a referendum election on the question of the approval of an initial resolution authorizing issuance of general obligation bonds in the amount not to exceed \$4,000,000. Roll call vote: 6-0.

A motion was made by Randy Nilsestuen and seconded by Dana Conrad that the 5th grade class remains at the middle school for the 2018-19 school year. Motion carried 6-0.

Louie Ferguson and Loren Wolfe gave an update on the STEM trailer donated by Ashley Furniture.

Loren Wolfe gave an update on the superintendent search.

The board gave a brief update on the building project. Jason Lockington, community member, spoke on this topic.

Louie Ferguson thanked Ashley Furniture for their \$21,000 donation to our schools' extracurricular groups for their work at Ashley for the Arts last summer.

Louie Ferguson stated the user agreement for the public library and community center is now with legal.

Motion was made by Paul Servais and seconded by Mike Edmunds to approve and file the treasurer's report and payment of vouchers totaling \$2,198,878.80 including computer check numbers 67669-67921. Motion carried 6-0.

A special meeting is scheduled for January 29th at 6:00 p.m. A library committee meeting is scheduled for January 31st at 6:00 p.m. and a special meeting at 7:00 p.m.

A motion was made by Randy Nilsestuen and seconded by Rodney Walters to move into closed session at 8:40 p.m. Roll call vote: 6-0.

Open session reconvened at 10:30 p.m.

A motion was made by Rodney Walters and seconded by Dana Conrad to adjourn at 10:31 p.m. Motion carried 6-0.

Mike Edmunds, Acting Clerk