

Platteville Monthly School Board Meeting
Monday, January 9, 2017 – 7:00 p.m.
OE Gray Professional Learning Center - IMC

President Miesen called the school board meeting to order on Monday, January 9, 2017 at 7:00 p.m. at the OE Gray Professional Learning Center-IMC.

Board members in attendance were Brian Miesen, Josh Grabandt, Heather Connolly, Colleen McCabe, Nancy Bongers, Arlene Siss, Steve Obershaw and Abulkhair Masoom. Eric Fatzinger was absent. Abulkhair Masoom left at 7:57 pm. Also in attendance was Superintendent Connie Valenza.

Superintendent Valenza noted that the meeting had been properly noticed.

Recognitions

Superintendent Valenza noted that our school board member Nancy Bongers has been recognized as Platteville's Citizen of the Year. Congratulations and appreciation for all the hard work Nancy does for the whole community!

Assistant High School Principal Foley congratulated Brelynn Updike, Dan Iselin and Jace Serres for being awarded the Wisconsin Cross Country Coaches Association Academic All-State Award for the 2016 season. Platteville has honored a total of 84 Cross Country athletes with this award since the inception in 1997. Congratulations!!!

Principal Engh stated that the Platteville High School FFA has been awarded the Platteville Chamber of Commerce Junior Community Service Award! Congratulations to everyone involved!

Principal Julius attended the All State Choir Competition and commended all the music teachers and students on a fantastic job!

Opportunity for Public Input

No one registered to address the board.

Consent Agenda

Josh Grabandt made a motion to approve the consent agenda as presented. Heather Connolly seconded the motion. Motion carried. 8-0 vote.

The Following Action Items Were Presented To The Board.

Colleen McCabe made a motion to approve the agenda as presented. Arlene Siss seconded the motion. Motion carried. 8-0 vote.

Steve Obershaw made a motion to verify the candidacy and to certify the ballot order as established by the drawing. Names will appear on the April ballot as follows: Joshua Grabandt-incumbent, Matt Zielinski, Arlene Siss-incumbent, Gaile Schwickrath, Bandara Gamini Curt Timlin. Heather Connolly seconded the motion. Motion carried. 8-0 vote.

Nancy Bongers made a motion to approve offering Business Law as part of the PHS 2017-18 Business & Marketing course options as presented. Arlene Siss seconded the motion. Motion carried. 8-0 vote.

Information/Discussion Items (no action will be taken on these items)

PK-4th grade social studies update was reported by Neal Wilkins Director Haag, Westview Principal Reuter, Julie Walters, Kindergarten, Brooke Buch, 1st Grade, Elias Cox, 2nd Grade, Brenda LeConte, 3rd Grade and Toni Runde, 4th Grade. Teachers reported on class themes that are covered and shared student projects with the board.

Building Principals shared the building activities set for Martin Luther King Day. It was noted that the school website also has a listing of activities. Everyone is invited to attend.

Superintendent Valenza updated the school board on the short-term borrowing.

Superintendent Valenza gave a brief construction update and shared a picture of the new front entrance at the High School.

The upcoming WASB State Convention was discussed along with a listing of resolutions.

Committee updates were shared. A board retreat in the near future was briefly discussed.

Future Board Agenda Item(s):

5-12 Social Studies curriculum will be presented in January.

2017-18 School Calendar

2015-16 Audit Report

Transportation Contract Extension

Set special board retreat

President Miesen reviewed the upcoming meeting dates.

Steve Obershaw made a motion to adjourn to executive session at 8:35 pm as per State Statute 19.85(c). Josh Grabandt seconded the motion. On a roll call vote, motion carried 7-0.

Discussion was held to consider employee retirement exception request. Josh Grabandt made a motion to reconvene to open session. Motion seconded by Arlene Siss. Motion carried. 7-0 vote.

Josh Grabandt made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:50 pm. Motion was seconded by Heather Connolly. Motion carried 7-0 vote.

Recorded and Submitted
Lynne Tanner

Verified and Approved
Colleen McCabe, Board Clerk