

MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION OF ORONO
INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 278
HELD SEPTEMBER 12, 2022

Present: Bob Tunheim, Mike Bash, Kristine Flesher, Martha Van de Ven, Laura Wallander, Ali Howe, Sarah Borchers

Absent: None

The Regular Meeting of the Board of Education of Orono Independent School District No. 278 was held on Monday, September 12, 2022 and called to order by Board Chair, Bob Tunheim, at 7:04 PM.

UPON MOTION by Sarah Borchers, seconded by Mike Bash, the Consent Agenda was approved as follows:

- Approved Minutes from the Regular Meeting held August 22, 2022
- Approved the appointment of Emily Oldenburg, as full-time Long-Term Substitute First Grade Teacher at Orono Schumann Elementary School, effective August 29, 2022 through November 28, 2022
- Approved the appointment of Kathryn Crofutt, as full-time Long-Term Substitute Eighth Grade Science Teacher at Orono Middle School, effective August 29, 2022 through June 9, 2023
- Approved the appointment of Brett Beaudry, as full-time Innovative Technology Teacher at Orono Middle School, effective August 29, 2022
- Approved the appointment of Joan Engstrom, as full-time Long-Term Substitute Special Education Teacher at Orono High School, effective September 1, 2022 through December 16, 2022
- Approved the appointment of Madeline Kadlec, as full-time Long-Term First Grade Substitute Teacher at Orono Schumann Elementary School, effective August 29, 2022 through November 28, 2022
- Approved the appointment of Katharine Ritland, as full-time Floating Substitute Teacher at Orono Public Schools, effective September 6, 2022 through June 8, 2023
- Approved the appointment of Deborah Ziebarth, as part-time Short Hour Cook at Orono Middle School, effective August 18, 2022
- Approved the appointment of Megan Stansberry, as part-time Classroom Paraeducator at Orono Schumann Elementary School, effective September 6, 2022
- Approved the appointment of Amanda Palm, as part-time Classroom Paraeducator at Orono Schumann Elementary School, effective September 6, 2022
- Approved the appointment of Shawn Davis, as part-time Classroom Paraeducator at Orono Intermediate School, effective September 12, 2022
- Approved the change of assignment of Maria Cooper, full-time Classroom Paraeducator at Orono Intermediate School, to full-time Special Education Paraeducator at Orono High School, effective September 6, 2022
- Approved the change of assignment of Samantha Koscielniak, part-time Classroom Paraeducator at Orono Intermediate School, to full-time Classroom Paraeducator at Orono Intermediate School, effective September 6, 2022
- Approved the resignation of Sheldon Gatchell, full-time Custodian at Orono Elementary Center, effective September 2, 2022
- Approved the resignation of Madeline Frost, full-time Special Education Paraeducator at Orono Middle School, effective August 19, 2022

- Approved the resignation due to retirement of Jeff Melby, full-time Custodian at Orono High School, effective September 1, 2022
- Approved the resignation of Ranae Peterson, part-time Short Hour Cook at Orono Schumann Elementary School, effective August 31, 2022
- Approved the resignation of Luis Benitez, full-time Custodian at Orono Elementary Center, effective August 31, 2022
- Approved the resignation of Rosemary Willenbring, full-time Special Education Paraeducator at Orono High School, effective August 31, 2022
- Approved the appointment of Jason Banks, as full-time Technology Support Specialist at Orono High School, effective September 13, 2022
- Approved the following fall coaching contracts:

Cross Country

Brian McCollor, Head Coach
Kathleen Leslie, Community Education Coach

Nathan Porter, JV Coach

Cheerleading

Christina Zajic, Head Coach

Football

Joe McPherson, Head Coach
Barry Wohler, V & JV Coach
Mark McConnell, V & JV Coach
Jason Seurer, V & JV Coach
David Adams, V & JV Coach
Mike Leuer, 9th Grade Coach

Rustin Olson, V & JV Coach
Troy Trimble, V & JV Coach
Kyle Jensen, V & JV Coach
Brad Anderson, V & JV Coach
Tom Borrell, 9th Grade Coach

Soccer – Boys

Derek Engler, Head Coach
Greg Katchmark, Assistant Coach
Peter Sherman, JV Coach
Luke Anderson, Goalie Coach

Grant Steine, JV Coach
Alex Tagtmeier, 9th Grade Coach
Trevon Sladek, JV Coach

Soccer – Girls

Erin Murray, Head Coach
Jessica Woessner, JV Coach
Mallory Purdy, 9th Grade Coach

Kathryn Haagenson, JV Coach
Natalie Soper, JV Coach

Swim Dive – Girls

Mark Seguin, Head Coach
Steven Hudoba, JV Coach

Barb Scouler, JV Coach

Tennis – Girls

Aaron Dvorak, Head Coach
Dawn Reidinger, JV Coach

Scott Danielson, JV Coach
Brian Brown, 9th Grade Coach

Volleyball

Brandon Kuntz, Head Coach
Anders Carlson, JV Coach

Kim King, JV Coach
Abby Perrin, 9th Grade Coach

- Approved Bill Vouchers: 313628-313751, 1581-1585, EP Register: 901596-901606, EFT Vouchers: 6357-6359 and Capital One: 51928-51965

5. – Superintendent’s Report on Excellence

Dr. Flesher started her report by sharing that Orono Schools had a wonderful start to the school year last week with students in grades 1-12 beginning on Tuesday and Kindergarten students starting on Wednesday. There were so many happy students! It was also great to see all the smiling faces among staff, students and parents during the elementary Open House event and Middle School curriculum night last week. High School families have back-to-school night this evening. Orono Schumann Elementary is hosting their Curriculum Night on September 29th.

Next, Dr. Flesher shared that this Wednesday, September 14, Orono Schools is looking forward to announcing students who are being recognized through the 2023 National Merit Scholarship program.

Next, Dr. Flesher noted that district staff continue to raise awareness and provide details to the community about the Tech Levy Renewal on the ballot this November. The website at oronoschools.org includes a video and important details about this critical funding stream. There will be a public information meeting Tuesday, September 20 at 7 p.m. in the Orono Activities Center. This meeting will also be livestreamed. Early voting begins September 23rd.

6. – Board Members Questions and Comments

7. – Old Business

7. A – Policy Review

The following revised policies were presented to the board for a second reading and approval.

- Policy 502: Search of Student Lockers, Desks, Personal Possessions and Student’s Person
- Policy 503: Student Attendance
- Policy 504: Student Dress and Appearance
- Policy 506: Student Discipline
- Policy 507: Corporal Punishment
- Policy 508: Enrollment of Non-Resident Students
- Policy 509: School Activities
- Policy 510: School-Sponsored Student Publications and Activities
- Policy 511: Bullying Prohibition
- Policy 514: Student Recruiting
- Policy 515: DNR-DNI Orders

UPON MOTION by Mike Bash, seconded by Martha Van de Ven, the board approved the proposed changes to policies 502, 503, 504, 506, 507, 508, 509, 510, 511, 514 and 515.

Motion approved unanimously.

7. B – Other Old Business as Necessary

No other old business was brought forward.

8. – New Business

8. A – 2022-2023 Superintendent Goals

Dr. Flesher presented the 2022-2023 Superintendent Goals to the Board for a first reading.

8. B – 2022-2023 Academic Calendar Change

Board Chair Bob Tuhneim shared with the board a necessary change that needed to be made to the 22-23 academic calendar.

UPON MOTION by Mike Bash, and seconded by Ali Howe, the board approved the change to the 2022-2023 academic calendar as recommended.

Motion approved unanimously.

8. C – Policy Review

Dr. Scott Alger, Executive Director of Human Resources presented to the board the following revised policies for first reading and review.

- Policy 505: Distribution of Non School-Sponsored Materials on School Premises by Students and Employees
- Policy 516: Interviews of Students by Outside Agencies
- Policy 517: Student Disability Nondiscrimination
- Policy 518: Internet Acceptable Use and Safety
- Policy 519: Violence Prevention Applicable to Students and Staff
- Policy 520: Hazing Prohibition Applicable to Students and Staff

8. D – Enrollment Update

Mr. Jim Westrum, Executive Director of Business Services and Dr. Aaron Ruhland, Executive Director of Learning and Accountability presented to the board an update on student enrollment data.

8. E – Summer Learning Update

Ms. Tiffany Clifton, Director of Community Education, Mr. Jeff Aman, Associate Principal at Orono High School and Ms. Beth Pearson, District Literacy Leader presented to the board an update surrounding summer learning.

8. F – Other New Business as Necessary

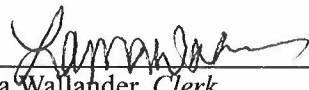
No other New Business was brought forward.

The next Regular School Board Meeting will be held on Tuesday, September 27, 2022 at 7:00 PM in the District Office Assembly Room.

UPON MOTION by Laura Wallander, seconded by Sarah Borchers, the meeting was adjourned at 8:20 PM.



Bob Tunheim, *Chair*



Laura Wallander, *Clerk*