

- I. The regular meeting of the Watertown-Mayer School Board in the Watertown City Hall on Monday, November 28, 2022 was called to order at 6:01 PM by Chair Hunter Feldt. Board members present: Feldt, Thompson, Burns, Schultz, H. Guetzkow, and Danielson. Board members absent: None. Administrative team members present: Superintendent Schuler, HS Principal Hennen, MS Principal Guertin, ES Principal O'Connell, SPED Director Gronseth, CE Director Dimmler, Director of Teaching & Learning Vieau, Activities Director Szymanski. Absent: None.
- II. **Visitor requests and consideration of the agenda.** Visitor MMS (Motion made and Seconded by) Thompson and Burns to approve the agenda as presented. Passes 6-0.
- III. **Consent Agenda**
MMS Danielson and H. Guetzkow to approve the following consent agenda items: Minutes of the Special Board Board Meeting of October 24, 2022, Special School Board Meeting of November 17, 2022 and Regular Board Meeting of October 24, 2022; Personnel consent agenda; and Business consent agenda. Passes 6-0
Total October 2022 Disbursements - \$2,147,803.53
Wire Payment #s - 52327, 52328, 52412, 52413, 52423, 52424, 52427-52434, 52445-52447, 52450, 52452-52454, 52527, 52354-52541, 52626-52641
Check #s - 61292-61466
Misc Payroll - \$973.41
- IV. **Recognitions/ Presentations/ Showcase:**
LEEA and ESS Recipients were recognized for 2022.
LEEA - Hannah Vogel, Karen Veches, Donna Steuernagel, and Jayne Unglaub
ESS - Mike Yantes, Jeremy Gesinger, Nikki Hunkins, and Janine Knutson
- V. **Action Items -**
 - A. Presentation of the 2021-2022 Audit by Bergen KDV Government Audit Partner Matt Mayer. MMS H. Guetzkow and Feldt to approve the 2021-2022 Audit. Passes 6-0.
 - B. MMS Burns and Schulz to approve the first and only read of the following policies: 206, 207, 209, 210, 211, 212, 213, 214, and 534. Supt. Schuler brought attention to policy 534 as this policy was brought forward in response to the attorney general's ruling and opinion regarding lunch shaming. Passes 6-0.
 - C. MMS Thompson and Danielson to approve the second and final read of the following policies: 403, 418, 416, 417, and 722. Passes 6-0.
 - D. MMS Feldt and Burns to approve the Reorganizational Meeting/ First Board meeting in January as January 9, 2023 and the first regular Board Meeting in January as January 23, 2023. Passes 6-0.
 - E. Teaching and Learning Director Vieau presented to the board the World's Best Workforce (WBWF) Annual Report. Goal attainment from 21-22 were reviewed as well as new goals for the 22-23 school year. MMS Burns and H. Guetzkow to approve the WBWF annual report. Passes 6-0.
- VI. **Review/ Information Items -**
 - A. Superintendent Schuler gave a verbal update for the current Bond

Referendum Project(s). The epoxy flooring in the MS locker room is complete and the new lockers have arrived and been installed. The hope is that this locker room can be turned over December 1, 2022. The MS and HS punch list items will hopefully be complete by the end of December, but there is continued wait time on some tiling issues in the bathrooms as well as other flooring and carpet issues. The stadium switchboard is now in and has been testing and is working properly. Questions regarding the addition of a stop sign at the new MS entrance and other new parking lot signage was discussed as well as the guard to go in front of the guest bleachers.

VII. **Administrative Reports -**

HS Principal Hennen reported the success of fall athletics and activities. He applauded students for their behaviors at all fall events as well as the staff for being flexible with students involved in multiple activities. Registration for next fall will start soon and teachers are working on their proposal for class offerings. Student Council and Letters of Love are working together on a Royal Give Back event on December 18th where tie blankets are made and given to others. This year, they plan on giving to a local veteran's group and/or Children's hospital. A committee of 13 staff have gathered with the purpose of making adjustments to our current Profile of a Graduate. This group hopes to have a draft to present to the board in December.

MS Principal Guertin went over his school improvement plan from last month as he was not able to attend. The MS improvement plan will focus on 4 main areas: 1. The implementation and review of the new science curriculum 2. The MTSS model and its continued implementation. 3. Utilizing the new facilities and spaces for heightened MS learning and experiences. 4. Review of technology and how this is being integrated in all levels of learning. Additionally, the MS has started to implement monthly Royal assemblies to highlight students. This has been received well by students so much that students are now wanting to highlight staff. Highlights happening soon at the MS include a dance and band concert happening this week.

ES Principal O'Connell reported that the staff is continuing to focus on Knowing their Impact and Flip the Triangle -- both are themes for this school year. After 8 weeks of interventions, some students have been able to exit additional supports and others have made improvements. The ES is currently working on restructuring their SPED support to try and build a level III program within the school. The school has increased school community based activities like 'Name that Tune' and BINGO. All of these activities as well as their Royal recognition events have been well received and will continue the rest of the school year.

CE Director Dimmler reported that winter/spring registration will begin on December 5th and includes new classes like welding and woodworking, open swim on Saturdays and others. December 6th will be a free senior holiday dinner event at city hall, and they are slowly recovering in Caring Hands childcare from many children having RSV.

SPED Director Gronseth reiterated the information from Ms. O'Connell regarding

working on more level III support at the ES. The ES is having higher behavioral needs and they have been working with a few SW Metro consultants on ways to support the needs of these students. She reported that the SPED dept. received a large, generous donation from a family in memory of their son. This donation is a wonderful donation to the department and includes a communication device with many accessory options for use.

Activities Director Szymanski reported the success of the fall sports and activities including the successful musical. He reported that it is too soon to have final numbers, as not all winter sports have started, but the numbers are down a bit from last year. He will have recognitions at the December meeting for the many awards and accomplishments from the fall season in December.

Superintendent Schuler reported that he, Mr. Henne and CTE teacher Mr. Jaszczak recently attended the Central MN Manufacturing Conference and had the opportunity to explore and tour other CTE spaces and employers. The first Safe Schools meeting also recently took place at the district office to gather community-wide stakeholders together. This was a well-received meeting and plans are to have 3 more the rest of the year. The small groups for strategic roadmap development has wrapped up, but it was recommended that we do a similar process with current high school students to get more feedback. Mr. Hennen has taken this on and will be facilitating a similar process with students at the HS. The summary of all these meetings will be ready to share in advance with the board members prior to the meeting on January 9, 2023. Finally, Supt. Schuler presented Chair Feldt with a MSBA Director's Award for his work with MSBA and training he has participated.

- VIII. **Board Member Reports or open comments by School Board Directors -**
Director Schulz reported re: SW Metro Intermediate Board, Director H. Guetzkow reported re: the WMEF, and Chair Feldt reported re: the Finance Committee.
- IX. MMS Thompson and Danielson to adjourn the meeting at 7:40 PM and was duly passed.

Chair

Clerk