

Eau Claire School Board Minutes
Monday, May 17, 2021, 7:00 p.m.
Webex Virtual and Blended Model Meeting
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Members present

Lori Bica (for closed session only), Joshua Clements, Aaron Harder, Marquell Johnson, Phil Lyons, Tim Nordin, Erica Zerr

CALL TO ORDER

President Nordin called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. Board Secretary Meta Miske confirmed the meeting had been properly noticed and was in compliance with the Open Meeting Law. A roll call was conducted to verify quorum.

Motion by Joshua Clements, second by Phil Lyons, to move to Closed Session pursuant to 19.85(1)(c) to consider employment, promotion, compensation or performance evaluation data of any public employee over which the governmental body has jurisdiction or exercises responsibility.

Motion carried

Yes: Joshua Clements, Aaron Harder, Marquell Johnson, Phil Lyons, Tim Nordin, Erica Zerr
Not Present at Vote: Lori Bica

Commissioner Bica left the meeting.

OPEN SESSION

President Nordin reconvened the meeting at 7:03 p.m. and announced that no action had been taken in Closed Session. The Pledge of Allegiance was offered.

ADOPTION OF AGENDA (GC-2)

Motion by Phil Lyons, second by Joshua Clements, to adopt Board agenda for May 17, 2021.

Motion carried

Yes: Joshua Clements, Aaron Harder, Marquell Johnson, Phil Lyons, Tim Nordin, Erica Zerr

RECOGNITION (R-1)

Thank You to Student Representatives

Superintendent Johnson and President Nordin thanked Emery Thul and Zoe Wolfe for their service.

Announcement of 2021-2022 Student Representatives

President Nordin announced the 2021-2022 student representatives as follows: representing Memorial will be Aislyn Berg, North will be Reed Lokken, and Eau Claire Virtual School will be Samuel Schmitz. He thanked Commissioner Lyons and Commissioner Zerr for participating on the interview panel.

Meadowview Mile

Superintendent Johnson recognized Dylan Leonard for organizing the Meadowview Mile.

Transportation Appreciation

Superintendent Johnson recognized Rhonda Tollefson from Student-Transit for organizing busing for Cohort C students to take in-person assessments.

Northstar's "Edible Classroom"

Superintendent Johnson recognized Tim Camlek and Sarah Redford for a garden-based after-school club they are expanding to include an outdoor classroom space with the support of a grant and sponsors.

PUBLIC FORUM (GC-2.3c)

No members of the public signed up to address the Board.

REPORTS

Student Representative Report (OE-5.9)

The student representatives shared comments about their experience this year during Recognition.

Budget Development Committee Report (GC-5)

The Budget Development Committee met to prepare for the referendum discussion on the agenda.

SUPERINTENDENT'S CONSENT RESOLUTION AGENDA (GC-2.5)

Motion by Phil Lyons, second by Aaron Harder, to approve the Superintendent's Consent Agenda as follows:

- Eau Claire Area School District Library Plan for 2020-2023
- Financial Report - April 2021
- 2020-2021 Budget Adjustments
- Gifts in the amount of \$57,862.13 for the period of April 1, 2021 through April 30, 2021
- Payment of all bills in the amount of \$5,373,278.47 and net payroll in the amount of \$5,665,509.48 for the period of April 1, 2021 through April 30, 2021.
- Human Resources - Employment Report
- Transition Program Construction Bid

Yes: Joshua Clements, Aaron Harder, Marquell Johnson, Phil Lyons, Tim Nordin, Erica Zerr

BOARD'S CONSENT AGENDA (GC-2.5)

Motion by Joshua Clements, second by Phil Lyons, to approve the Board's Consent Agenda as follows:

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Yes: Joshua Clements, Aaron Harder, Marquell Johnson, Phil Lyons, Tim Nordin, Erica Zerr

FOCUS ON RESULTS

Middle School Results - Strategically Using Data in an Equitable Multi-Level System of Support

Jim Schmitt, Michelle Radtke, Trevor Kohlhepp, Michele Wiberg, Tim Skutley, and Becky Graf shared information about middle school grades, work to support students and improve grades, and plans for next year.

Board questions and discussion ensued.

MATTERS RESERVED FOR BOARD ACTION

Appoint School Board Committee and Liaison Assignments (GC-5)

Motion by Joshua Clements, second by Phil Lyons, to appoint School Board Committee and Liaison assignments as recommended.

Motion carried

Yes: Joshua Clements, Aaron Harder, Marquell Johnson, Phil Lyons, Tim Nordin, Erica Zerr

BOARD DEVELOPMENT

Referendum Discussion (GC-6.6)

Superintendent Johnson shared history on referendum work since 2016. Abby Johnson reviewed a proposed November 2022 Referendum timeline. Commissioner Aaron Harder shared information about Budget Development Committee's discussion.

Discussion ensued.

The Board was encouraged to review an article about referendum mistakes and view the documentary "Road to Referendum" which will be shared with them. District staff will work to add important dates to the Board's Annual Work Calendar for Board consideration.

BOARD DEBRIEF (GC-2.3)

Commissioner Lyons led a debrief exercise to share thoughts on what went well during the meeting and what could be done differently.

ADJOURN

Motion by Joshua Clements, second by Phil Lyons, to adjourn the meeting.

Motion carried

Yes: Joshua Clements, Aaron Harder, Marquell Johnson, Phil Lyons, Tim Nordin, Erica Zerr

Meeting adjourned at 8:39 p.m.