

**MINUTES OF BOARD OF EDUCATION
SCHOOL DISTRICT OF ARCADIA
REGULAR BOARD MEETING
MAY 20, 2024**

A regular meeting of the Board of Education of the School District of Arcadia was held in room 219 at the high school, in the City of Arcadia, County of Trempealeau, Wisconsin, on Monday, May 20, 2024. The meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m. by Board President Paul Servais. Board members present were, Paul Servais, Dana Conrad, Diana Tempski, Brian Steinlicht, Rodney Walters, Tonya Rebhahn, and Vicente Moreno. Also present was Lance Bagstad, Dana Hoesley, Bruce Cornish, Jamie Hoesley, Tami Bagstad, Jolynn Wendt, Maggie Hodges, Stacy Boberg, Kristine Rugotzke, Emily Instenes, Kim Severson, Debby Brunett from Baird, and Ben Pierce. Lori Frerk joined virtually.

President Paul Servais announced the verification and compliance with the open meeting law.

Motion was made by Diana Tempski and seconded by Dana Conrad to approve the agenda. Motion carried 7-0.

President Paul Servais led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Bruce Cornish, community member and bus driver commented on employee discounts to the Wanek Center and Childcare Center.

Emily Instenes, Elementary teacher, thanked the Board and Lance Bagstad and explained WEA's plan for the base wage disbursement.

Kim Severson, High School teacher, thanked the board for their service.

Lance Bagstad requested nominations for board president. Paul Servais nominated Brian Steinlicht. All in favor for Brian Steinlicht as President: 7-0.

Brian Steinlicht requested nominations for vice president. Dana Conrad nominated Rodney Walters. All in favor for Rodney Walters as Vice President: 7-0.

Brian Steinlicht requested nominations for Clerk. Paul Servais nominated Dana Conrad. All in favor for Dana Conrad as Clerk: 7-0.

Brian Steinlicht requested nominations for Treasurer. Paul Servais nominated Tonya Rebhahn. Tonya declined nomination. Dana Conrad nominated Diana Tempski. All in favor for Diana Tempski as Treasurer: 7-0.

A motion was made by Paul Servais and seconded by Dana Conrad to keep the Insurance Committee the same, with Dana Conrad, Diana Tempski and Tonya Rebhahn. Motion carried 7-0.

A motion was made by Brian Steinlicht and seconded by Paul Servais to appoint Brian Steinlicht, Rodney Walters and Dana Conrad to the negotiations committee. Motion carried 7-0.

A motion was made by Paul Servais and seconded by Dana Conrad to appoint Tonya Rebhahn as the CESA #4 Delegate. Motion carried 7-0.

A motion was made by Paul Servais and seconded by Rodney Walters to keep Tonya Rebhahn as the WASB Delegate and Brian Steinlicht as the alternate. Motion carried 7-0.

A motion was made by Paul Servais and seconded by Dana Conrad to appoint Brian Steinlicht and Vicente Moreno for the Trempealeau Valley Co-op 2.0 committee. Motion carried 7-0.

Lance Bagstad and the Board recognized and congratulated the State Qualifiers to State Forensics and State Solo Ensemble

Lance Bagstad and the Board recognized and thanked Mike Hauser for a donation to the Middle School Raider Market.

Tami Bagstad presented an update on the Academic, College, and Career Department.

Jenna Putz arrived at 6:28 p.m.

Tami Bagstad left at 6:38 p.m.

Kristine Rugotzke gave a Wanek Center update and the board discussed with Kristine Rugotzke school employee discount rates for memberships to the Wanek Center.

Cassie Pronschinske, her mom and children arrived at 6:45 p.m.

Cassie Pronschinske, middle school teacher, presented a request for an employee discount for child care for the Little Raiders Childcare Center. Childcare Director, Jolynn Wendt, and Lance Bagstad gave some information on the topic.

Lance Bagstad will gather more information regarding discounted rates to the Wanek Center and the Childcare Center for district staff and bring back to May meeting.

Kim Severson, Cassie Pronschinske, her mom and children, Jolynn Wendt, and Kristine Rugotzke left at 7:27 p.m.

The board discussed a starting salary increase for teacher with a Bachelor's Degree and a Master's Degree. Changes will be made in the 2024-25 Employee Handbook.

A motion was made by Paul Servais and seconded by Rodney Walters to approve the graduation date for the Class of 2025 to be set for May 25, 2025. Motion carried 7-0.

A motion was made by Rodney Walters and seconded by Diana Tempski to approve the Resolution Authorizing the Defeasance of a Portion of the School District of Arcadia \$8,995,000 General Obligation School Improvement and Refunding Bonds. Motion carried 7-0.

A motion was made by Diana Tempski and seconded by Dana Conrad to approve the Resolution Authorizing the Issuance and Sale of not to Exceed \$2,315,000 General Obligation Promissory Notes. Motion carried 7-0.

Debby Brunett left at 7:43 p.m.

A motion was made by Paul Servais and seconded by Dana Conrad to approve the resignations for the purpose of retirement of Anita Pronschinske, SPED Secretary, effective at the end of the 2023-24 school year and Chris Hannon, District Bookkeeper (40 years of service) effective December 31, 2024. Motion carried 7-0.

A motion was made by Paul Servais and seconded by Rodney Walters to approve compensation increases for the 2024-25 fiscal year for teachers of 4.12% on the base wage. Motion carried 6-0-1.

Jamie Hoesley left at 7:47 p.m.

A motion was made by Dana Conrad and seconded by Diana Tempksi to approve compensation increases for the 2024-25 school year for support staff of \$.77 per hour. Motion carried 6-0-1.

A motion was made by Brian Steinlicht and seconded by Rodney Walters to approve compensation increases for the 2024-25 fiscal year for non-administration and non-teacher salaried employees of 4.12%. Motion carried 7-0.

Jenna Putz left at 7:49 p.m.

A motion was made by Diana Tempksi and seconded by Brian Steinlicht to approve compensation increases for the 2024-25 fiscal year for administration of 4.12%. Motion carried 7-0.

A motion was by Tonya Rebhahn and seconded by Rodney Walters to approve an increase in supplemental pay for teachers for years of service to the district of \$100 per tier as outlined in the Employee Handbook. Motion carried 6-0-1.

Maggie Hodges left at 7:54 p.m.

A motion was made by Rodney Walters and seconded by Paul Servais to approve the consent agenda.

- A. Minutes of April 15, 2024, regular meeting (open and closed sessions) and the minutes of the April 25, 2024 special meeting (open session)
- B. First reading of NEOLA policies: 2271.01-Start College Now Program and 5113-Open Enrollment Program
- C. Early College Credit Program Approval
- D. Approve 2024-25 Open Enrollment Applications
- E. Approve Commercial Lease and Agreement with the City of Arcadia for summer school pool use
- F. Professional Staff Hire of Stephen Fogliano, HS Math teacher for the 2024-2025 school year
- G. Professional Staff Hire of Kareen Smith-Fogliano, MS Special Education teacher for the 2024-2025 school year
- H. Professional Staff Hire of Jaycie Bahr, 1st Grade teacher for the 2024-2025 school year
- I. Professional Staff Hire of Brianna Rebhahn, 1st Grade teacher for the 2024-2025 school year
- J. Professional Staff Hire of Cali Shepard, MS ELA teacher for the 2024-2025 school year
- K. Professional Staff Hire of Thurston Schuster, MS/HS Dean of Students/Athletic Director for the 2024-25 school year
- L. Professional Staff Hire of Patricia Slaby, Vision Teacher for the 2024-25 school year
- M. Professional Staff Hire of Alexis Raatz, 3rd Grade Teacher for the 2024-25 school year.
- N. Professional Staff Hire of Ireland Andre, 3rd Grade Teacher for the 2024-25 school year

- O. Resignation of 3rd Grade Teacher Jordyn Walters effective at the end of the 2023-24 contract year.
- P. Resignation of Jeff Byom, 6th Gr. Math teacher, effective at the end of the 2023-24 contract year.
- Q. Resignation of Trinity Isham, 3rd Gr. teacher, effective at the end of the 2023-24 contract year.
- R. Approve Fire Drill Summaries for the Elementary School and Middle/High Schools
- S. Approve Copy Paper Bid
- T. Approve and file the treasurer's report and payment of vouchers totaling \$1,692,039.88, including computer check numbers 79529-79669 and 824-825.

Motion carried 7-0.

A motion was made by Paul Servais and seconded by Rodney Walters to move in to closed session at 7:57 p.m. Motion carried: Moreno-yes, Rebhahn-yes, Walters-yes, Tempski-yes, Servais-yes, Steinlicht-yes, Conrad-yes. Motion carried 7-0.

Dana Conrad, Clerk