



## School District of Onalaska Board of Education Regular Meeting Minutes Monday, July 8, 2024

President Ann Garrity called the Onalaska Board of Education regular meeting to order on Monday, July 8, 2024 at 6:00 p.m. at 237 2nd Ave S, Onalaska, WI.

1. **Call to Order:**
2. **Roll Call/Verification of Quorum:** The Board President verified a quorum is present.  
**Members Present** - Tracy Laufenberg, Erik Archer, Shawn McAlister, Brian Haefs, Mark Cassellius (virtually), and Ann Garrity.  
**Members Absent** - Aaron McDonald.  
**Administrators/Directors Present** - Todd Antony, Janet Rosseter, Laurie Enos, Jason Thiry, Ben Burns, Sonya Ganther, Abby Davis, Todd Saner, Lish Olson, and Kristen Fay.
3. **Pledge of Allegiance to the American Flag:** Ann Garrity led the group in the reciting of the Pledge of Allegiance.
4. **Reading of the Mission Statement:** Erik Archer read the School Board Mission Statement.
5. **Public Notice:** Public notice was given to the requesting news media. The agenda was posted in district buildings, and on the district website.
6. **Agenda Revisions:** No changes to the published agenda.
7. **Approval of Agenda:** *Motion by B. Haefs, second by E. Archer, to approve the agenda. Motion carried.*
8. **Public Input:** There were no public speakers.

### Recognition Items:

9. **Welcome Middle School Administrator:** The Board welcomed OMS Building Administrator Dr. Ben Burns.
10. **Donation:** \$250 from Supriya Daithankar for any student needs.

## **Action Items:**

11. **Notification of Academic Standards for the 2024-25 School Year:** *Motion by T. Laufenberg, second by S. McAlister, to adopt the Wisconsin Academic Standards in the areas as of ELA (English Language Arts - Reading and Writing), Mathematics, and Social Studies (geography and history) and the Next Generation Science Standards (NGSS) for Science for the 2024-25 school year. Roll call vote: T. Laufenberg - yes; E. Archer - yes; M. Cassellius - yes; S. McAlister - yes; B. Haefs - yes; A. Garrity - yes. Motion carried.*
12. **Student Fees:** *Motion by S. McAlister, second by B. Haefs, to approve the PreK-12 student fees for the 2024-25 school year. Roll call vote: B. Haefs - yes; T. Laufenberg - yes; M. Cassellius - yes; S. McAlister - yes; E. Archer - yes; A. Garrity - yes. Motion carried.*
13. **Physical Therapist Services:** *Motion by T. Laufenberg, second by E. Archer, to enter into a 66.03 agreement with the School District of Holmen for physical therapy services for the 2024-25 school year. Roll call vote: S. McAlister - yes; E. Archer - yes; T. Laufenberg - yes; M. Cassellius - yes; B. Haefs - yes; A. Garrity - yes. Motion carried.*
14. **OHS Athletic Stadium Proposal:** *Motion by B. Haefs, second by S. McAlister, to approve the OHS Athletic Stadium Planning and Project Implementation Proposal from ISG for Board approval including authorization for administration to execute an architectural contract. Roll call vote: S. McAlister - yes; E. Archer - yes; T. Laufenberg - yes; B. Haefs - yes; M. Cassellius - yes; A. Garrity - yes. Motion carried.*
15. **Virtual Meeting Request:** *Motion by B. Haefs, second by S. McAlister, to allow Mark Cassellius to attend the following board meetings virtually, as his one virtual meeting for the quarter will have already been used for July 8, 2024:*
  - *July 22, 2024 regular meeting*
  - *July 23, 2024 development meeting*
  - *August 6, 2024 development meeting*
  - *August 12, 2024 regular meeting*
  - *August 26, 2024 regular meeting*
  - *September 9, 2024 regular meeting*
  - *September 23, 2024 regular meeting**Roll call vote: M. Cassellius - abstained; S. McAlister - yes; B. Haefs - yes; E. Archer - no; T. Laufenberg - no; A. Garrity - yes. Motion carried.*
16. **Personnel Report:** Sonya Ganther presented the personnel report for Board approval:
  - A. New Employees - Certified Staff -
    1. **Carrie Thompson** to fill the 1.0 FTE instrumental music teacher position at Onalaska High School effective August 26, 2024 at MA 12 credits, \$69,558, and contingent on release from the Sparta Area School District. This position was vacated by Chris Meunier.

2. **Hannah Carson** to fill the 1.0 FTE art teacher position at Onalaska Middle School effective August 26, 2024 at MA 0 credits, \$60,670, and contingent on release from the School District of La Crosse. This position was vacated by Ashlee Gordon.
3. **Randy Ketelhut** to fill the 1.0 FTE 7th grade math teacher position at Onalaska Middle School effective August 26, 2024 at MA 30 credits, \$73,887, and contingent on release from the School District of La Crosse. This position was vacated by Mackenzie Matzke.

B. New Employee - Director - **Nicholas Ragner** to fill the 1.0 FTE Director of Communications & Engagement position effective August 1, 2024 prorated at \$70,188.46 for 237 days for 2024-25. This is a newly created position.

C. Summer School Contracts - Administration presented the 2024 elementary, middle, and high school summer school contracts for Board approval.

D. Position Deletions -

1. 1.0 FTE mental health coordinator
2. 1.0 FTE special education paraprofessional at Onalaska Middle School
3. 1.0 FTE regular education paraprofessional at Onalaska High School

E. Position Creations -

1. 1.0 FTE 2nd grade teacher at Eagle Bluff Elementary
2. 1.0 FTE special education paraprofessional at Eagle Bluff Elementary
3. 1.0 FTE personal care paraprofessional at Onalaska High School
4. .50 FTE regular education paraprofessional at Onalaska High School
5. .50 FTE regular education paraprofessional at Onalaska High School

F. Co-Curricular Resignations -

1. **Chris Meunier**, marching band director, effective July 3, 2024.
2. **Chris Meunier**, jazz band 2 director, effective July 3, 2024.
3. **Chris Meunier**, pep band director, ½ contract, effective July 3, 2024.

*Motion by S. McAlister, second by B. Haefs, to approve the personnel report. Roll call vote: B. Haefs - yes; T. Laufenberg - yes; M. Cassellius - yes; S. McAlister - yes; E. Archer - yes; A. Garrity - yes. Motion carried.*

17. **Consent Agenda:** *Motion by B. Haefs, second by E. Archer, to approve the following under the consent agenda:*

A. *Budgetary Disbursements and Payroll in accordance with enclosure.*

B. *Minutes - June 28, 2024.*

*Roll call vote: B. Haefs - yes; T. Laufenberg - yes; S. McAlister - yes; E. Archer - yes; M. Cassellius - yes; A. Garrity - yes. Motion carried.*

### **Informational/Discussion Items:**

18. **Board/Administrative Update:** Brian Haefs, Lish Olson, and Todd Antony gave an update on the recent Servant Leadership Conference held in La Crosse.

- 19. **Middle and High School Building Projects Update:** Administration gave an update on the middle and high school building projects.
- 20. **2024-25 Induction Handbook:** Sonya Ganther presented the 2024-25 Initial Educator Induction Handbook for a first reading and Board consideration.
- 21. **Board Policies:** Mark Cassellius, Tracy Laufenberg, and Todd Antony presented the following Board policies revisions for a first reading and Board consideration:

2264 - Nondiscrimination on the basis of sex in education programs or activities	2266 - Nondiscrimination on the basis of sex in education programs or activities	8500 - Food Services	8510 - Student Wellness
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- 22. **Closed Session:** *Motion by B. Haefs, second by E. Archer, to convene in closed session pursuant to s. 19.85(1)(c) and/or (f), as appropriate, to discuss an employee retirement application and related personal issues. The Board may take action in closed session. The Board will adjourn from closed session. Roll call vote: S. McAlister - yes; B. Haefs - yes; T. Laufenberg - yes; M. Cassellius - yes; E. Archer - yes; A. Garrity - yes. Motion carried. Convened to closed session at 7:44 p.m.*
- 23. **Adjourn:** *Motion by B. Haefs, second by E. Archer, to adjourn at 7:56 p.m. Motion carried.*

Respectfully submitted by Kristen Fay

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Ann Garrity, Board President

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Brian Haefs, Board Clerk