



School District of Onalaska Board of Education Regular Meeting Minutes Monday, July 22, 2024

President Ann Garrity called the Onalaska Board of Education regular meeting to order on Monday, July 22, 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, Aaron McDonald, and Ann Garrity.
Administrators/Directors Present - Todd Antony, Janet Rosseter, Laurie Enos, Jason Thiry, Charlie Ihle, Ben Burns, Jana Yashinsky, Todd Saner, Lish Olson, Sonya Ganther, Emily Johnson, and Kristen Fay.
Others Present - Amanda DeNault, Kerry Johnson, and Kelli Eckerman.
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:** Tracy Laufenberg 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:** Request to move Item #15 - School Health Services Report, to after Item #9 - Donation.
7. **Approval of Agenda:** *Motion by A. McDonald, second by B. Haefs, to approve the agenda with moving item #15 to after item #9. Motion carried.*
8. **Public Input:** Community member Kelli Eckerman spoke on Item #13 - Board Policies.

Action Items:

9. **Donation:** *Motion by A. McDonald, second by M. Cassellius, to approve a donation of \$5,500 from the Onalaska Band Boosters for the purchase of a vibraphone for the Onalaska High School Band Department. Motion carried.*

Informational/Discussion Item:

10. **School Health Services Annual Report:** Amanda DeNault, Director of Nursing Services, presented the 2023-24 school health services annual report for Board information.

Action Items:

11. **2024-25 School Nutrition Update & Pricing:** *Motion by A. McDonald, second by T. Laufenberg, to approve the 2024-25 School Nutrition meal and milk price recommendations. Motion carried.*
12. **2024-25 Induction Handbook:** *Motion by B. Haefs, second by M. Cassellius, to approve the 2024-25 Initial Educator Induction Handbook. Motion carried.*
13. **Board Policies:** Tracy Laufenberg requested that Policy 2264 be removed for separate consideration. *Motion by T. Laufenberg, second by S. McAlister, to approve the following Board policies: 2266 - Nondiscrimination on the basis of sex in education programs or activities, 8500 - Food Services, 8510 - Student Wellness. Motion carried.*
Motion by T. Laufenberg, second by B. Haefs, to approve the inclusion of amended language requiring audio recording of all interviews as proposed by Tracy Laufenberg to Policy 2264 - Nondiscrimination on the basis of sex in education programs or activities. Roll call vote: T. Laufenberg - yes; A. McDonald - no; E. Archer - no; M. Cassellius - no; S. McAlister - no; B. Haefs - no; A. Garrity - no. Motion failed.
Motion by M. Cassellius, second by E. Archer, to approve Policy 2264 - Nondiscrimination on the basis of sex in education programs or activities, as published/presented. Roll call vote: B. Haefs - yes; T. Laufenberg - yes; M. Cassellius - yes; S. McAlister - yes; E. Archer - yes; A. McDonald - yes; A. Garrity - yes. Motion carried.
14. **Personnel Report:** Sonya Ganther presented the personnel report for Board approval. Items may be removed for separate consideration:
 - A. New Employees - Certified Staff -
 1. **Stephanie Ivey** to fill the 1.0 FTE multilingual learners teacher position at Onalaska Middle School and Onalaska High School effective August 26, 2024 at MA 0, \$70,284 and contingent on release from the Viroqua Area School District. This position was vacated by Bailey Goyette.
 2. **Bruce Teale** to fill the 1.0 FTE 7th grade math teacher position at Onalaska Middle School effective August 26, 2024 at BA 0, \$49,327 and contingent on certification from the WI DPI. This position was vacated by Lisa Stovey.
 - B. New Employee - Hourly Staff - **Jennifer Janda** to fill the 1.0 FTE special education paraprofessional position at Northern Hills Elementary effective August 26, 2024 at \$20.78 per hour. This position was vacated by Rachel Johnson.
 - C. Summer School Contracts - Administration presented the 2024 elementary, middle, and high school summer school contracts for Board approvals.

- D. Transfer Notification - Certified Staff - **Sierra Hallingstad** from the 1.0 FTE second grade teacher position at Irving Pertzsch Elementary to the 1.0 FTE second grade teacher position at Eagle Bluff Elementary, effective the 2024-25 school year. This is a newly created position.
- E. Transfer Notifications - Hourly Staff -
1. **Jennifer Hinitt** from the 1.0 FTE special education paraprofessional position at Onalaska High School to the 1.0 FTE special education paraprofessional position at Northern Hills Elementary, effective August 26, 2024. This position was vacated by Kylee Schams.
 2. **Shayn Greene** from the 1.0 FTE personal care paraprofessional position at Onalaska High School to the 1.0 FTE special education paraprofessional position at Eagle Bluff Elementary, effective August 26, 2024. This is a newly created position.
- F. Co-Curricular Resignations -
1. **Ashlee Gordon**, 7th grade volleyball head coach, effective July 8, 2024.
 2. **Ashlee Gordon**, MS art club advisor, effective July 8, 2024.
- G. Co-Curricular Contracts -
1. **Chris Meunier**, Express Show Band Director, \$1,053.13.
 2. **Chris Meunier**, Hilltopper Show Band Director, \$1,598.69.
 3. **Carrie Thompson**, Marching Band Asst. Director, \$2,283.84.
 4. **Carrie Thompson**, Jazz Band 2 Director, \$1,504.47.
 5. **Carrie Thompson**, Pep Band Director, ½ contract, \$752.24.
 6. **Jennifer Saner**, Express Show Choir Asst. Director, \$1,504.47.
 7. **Jennifer Saner**, Hilltopper Show Choir Asst. Director, \$2,283.84.
 8. **David Schumann**, Drumline Director, \$1,504.47.
 9. **Saeng Yang**, Southeast Asian Club Advisor, \$1,504.47.
 10. **Sanjana Xiong**, JV3 volleyball coach, \$2,150.
 11. **Brooke Ellingson**, JV volleyball coach, \$2,150.
- H. Resignation Notification - Hourly Staff - **Amy Govert-Larson**, 4 hour per day cook at Eagle Bluff Elementary, effective July 12, 2024.

Motion by M. Cassellius, second by A. McDonald, to approve the personnel report. Motion carried.

15. **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 - July 8, 2024.*

Motion carried.

Informational/Discussion Items:

16. **Middle and High School Building Projects Update:** Administration gave an update on the middle and high school building projects.

17. **2024-25 Handbooks:**
- A. Co-Curricular Staff Handbook – Jason Thiry presented the Co-Curricular Staff handbook for a first reading and Board consideration.
 - B. High School Activities Handbook – Jason Thiry presented the high school activities handbook for a first reading and Board consideration.
 - C. Middle School Activities Handbook – Jana Yashinsky presented the middle school activities handbook for a first reading and Board consideration.
 - D. Middle School Student Handbook – Ben Burns presented the middle school student handbook for a first reading and Board consideration.
 - E. Elementary Student Handbook – Todd Saner presented the elementary student handbook for a first reading and Board consideration.
18. **Adjourn:** *Motion by B. Haefs, second by A. McDonald, to adjourn at 7:31 p.m. Motion carried.*

Respectfully submitted by Kristen Fay

Ann Garrity, Board President

Brian Haefs, Board Clerk