



School District of Onalaska Board of Education Regular Meeting Minutes Monday, October 14, 2024

President Ann Garrity called the Onalaska Board of Education regular meeting to order on Monday, October 14, 2024 at 6:30 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, Brian Haefs, Shawn McAlister, Mark Cassellius, Aaron McDonald, and Ann Garrity.
Administrators/Directors Present - Todd Antony, Fayme Evenson, Janet Rosseter, Jared Schaffner, Abby Davis, Lish Olson, Ben Burns, Sonya Ganther, and Kristen Fay.
Student Representative - Leah Thies.
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:** No changes to the agenda.
7. **Approval of Agenda:** *Motion by A. McDonald, second by B. Haefs, to approve the agenda as presented. Motion carried.*
8. **Public Input:** There were no public comments.

Recognition Items:

9. **Board Student Representative:** Jared Schaffner introduced the 2024-25 Board Student Representative, Leah Thies.
10. **Donations:**
 - \$2,000 from the La Crosse Area Autism Foundation for the adapted sports league
 - \$1,449 from the Onalaska Band Boosters for a sound package

- \$131.25 from Melissa Snider for Eagle Bluff Elementary
- \$100 from an anonymous donor for Eagle Bluff Elementary
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- School Supplies from members of Curves Onalaska
- 40 Student backpacks from Morrie's Onalaska for Irving Pertzsch Elementary
- \$1,695 for Onalaska High School student needs in memory of Bonne Olson from friends and family of Bonne Olson.

11. **National School Lunch Week:** State Superintendent Dr. Jill Underly has proclaimed October 14-18, 2024 as National School Lunch Week. A Board member read the proclamation.

Informational/Discussion Items:

12. **Student Representative and Administrator Reports:** The student representative and administrators gave an update on staff and student activities related to academics and co-curricular activities.
13. **Middle and High School Building Projects Update:** Administration gave an update on the middle and high school building projects.
14. **Enrollment Data For September 20, 2024:** Janet Rosseter presented the third Friday in September enrollment data for the district for Board information.

Action Items:

15. **Donation:** *Motion by T. Laufenberg, second by M. Cassellius, to approve a donation of \$5,000 from Kent Handel for a canopy for the Onalaska High School tennis teams. Motion carried.*
16. **Programming Agreement with Boys & Girls Club:** *Motion by T. Laufenberg, second by B. Haefs to table the programming agreement with the Boys & Girls Club until the next meeting. Roll call vote: B. Haefs - yes; A. McDonald - yes; S. McAlister - yes; T. Laufenberg - yes; E. Archer - yes; M. Cassellius - yes; A. Garrity - yes. Motion carried.*
17. **Personnel Report:** Sonya Ganther presented the personnel report for Board approval.
- A. Resignation Requests - Certified Staff -
1. **Ashley Sherden**, 1.0 FTE kindergarten teacher at Eagle Bluff Elementary, effective October 25, 2024 and subject to the \$1,500 contract breakage penalty.
 2. **Sarah Jahr**, 1.0 FTE literacy instructional coach, effective October 11, 2024 and subject to the \$1,500 contract breakage penalty.
- B. New Employees - Hourly Staff -
1. **Kimberly Garves** to fill the .70 FTE regular education paraprofessional position at Eagle Bluff Elementary effective October 21, 2024 at \$19.61 per hour. This position was vacated by Bailey Olson.

2. **Anthony Marx** to fill the 1.0 FTE custodian position at the middle school effective October 21, 2024 at \$21.90 per hour. This is a newly created position.

C. Position Creations -

1. 1.0 FTE personal care paraprofessional at Onalaska Middle School.
2. 1.0 FTE personal care paraprofessional at Northern Hills Elementary.
3. 1.0 FTE personal care paraprofessional at Onalaska High School.

D. Extended Contract - **Kelly McMahon**, \$5,400 stipend for Student Information System Manager position work in the 2024-25 school year.

E. Co-Curricular Position Deletions -

1. Asst. Track Coach
2. Head Co-ed Track Coach

F. Co-Curricular Position Creations -

1. Head Girls Track Coach
2. Head Boys Track Coach

G. Co-Curricular Resignation - **Rachel Lopez**, 8th grade girls' basketball asst. coach, effective October 8, 2024.

H. Transfer Notification - Hourly Staff - **Stacy Mitchell** from the .50 FTE cook position at the middle school to the 1.0 FTE custodian position at the middle school, effective October 28, 2024. This position was vacated by Wayne Hanson.

I. Resignation Notifications - Hourly Staff -

1. **Wayne Hanson**, 1.0 FTE custodian at the middle school, effective October 11, 2024.
2. **Emily Adams**, .533 FTE regular education paraprofessional at the high school, effective October 4, 2024.

Motion by B. Haefs, second by A. McDonald, to approve the personnel report. Motion carried.

18. **Consent Agenda:** *Motion by B. Haefs, second by A. McDonald, to approve the following under the consent agenda:*

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

B. *Minutes - September 23, 2024.*

C. *Fundraiser Request - OHS Writing & Literacy Club to bus tables at Pizza Ranch. Fundraising goal is \$300 and proceeds will be used to buy books for the club.*

Motion carried.

19. **Adjourn:** *Motion by B. Haefs, second by E. Archer, to adjourn at 7:31 p.m. Motion carried.*

Respectfully submitted by Kristen Fay

Ann Garrity, Board President

Brian Haefs, Board Clerk