

Appleton Area School District
Board of Education Meeting (Monday, April 22, 2024)

Generated by Kayla Malott on Tuesday, April 23, 2024

The meeting was called to order at 6:01 PM by President Kay Eggert at the Scullen Leadership Center, 131 E. Washington Street, Suite 1A, Appleton, Wisconsin.

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1. Meeting Opening

A. Roll Call

Members Present: Kay Eggert, Kristine Sauter, Edward Ruffolo, Pheng Thao, Jason Kolpack, Nick Ross

Absent: James Bacon

B. Pledge of Allegiance

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited by all.

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2. Approval of Agenda (GC-2: Governing Commitments)

A. Board Member Request to Remove Consent Agenda Item(s) for Separate Consideration

None

B. Approval of Agenda

Motion to approve the Board Agenda as presented.

Motion by Kristine Sauter, second by Nick Ross.

Final Resolution: Motion Carried

Aye: Kay Eggert, Kristine Sauter, Edward Ruffolo, Pheng Thao, Jason Kolpack, Nick Ross

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3. Board Organizational

A. Board of Education Member Commitment

Board of Education members recited the Board of Education Member Commitment.

B. Election of Officers of the Board

President:

Edward Ruffolo nominated Kay Eggert.

There were no other nominations.

Nominations were closed and a roll call vote was taken, with all members voting aye.

Kay Eggert was elected Board President.

Vice President:

Nick Ross nominated Kristine Sauter.

There were no other nominations.

Nominations were closed and a roll call vote was taken, with all members voting aye.

Kristine Sauter was elected Board Vice President.

Treasurer:

Kay Eggert nominated Edward Ruffolo.

There were no other nominations.

Nominations were closed and a roll call vote was taken, with all members voting aye.

Edward Ruffolo was elected Board Treasurer.

Clerk:

Kristine Sauter nominated James Bacon. Nick Ross nominated Pheng Thao.

Ballot voting was conducted.

The initial ballot voting concluded with James Bacon and Pheng Thao each receiving three votes, leading to a tie. A second round of voting was conducted, during which James Bacon garnered two votes, while Pheng Thao secured four votes.

Nominations were closed.

Pheng Thao was elected Board Clerk.

C. Appoint CESA 6 Representative

Nick Ross was appointed as the District's CESA 6 Representative.

D. Appoint WASB Delegate

Nick Ross was appointed as the District's WASB Delegate.

E. Reauthorization of the Board Ad Hoc Committee for Community Linkages

Board members Edward Ruffolo, Kristine Sauter, and Nick Ross have agreed to continue serving on the Community Linkages Committee.

Motion to reauthorize the Board Ad Hoc Committee for Community Linkages, for a period beginning Monday, April 22, 2024 and expiring on Sunday, April 27, 2025.

Motion by Kristine Sauter, second by Edward Ruffolo.
Final Resolution: Motion Carried
Aye: Kay Eggert, Kristine Sauter, Edward Ruffolo, Pheng Thao, Jason Kolpack, Nick Ross

F. Authorize a Board Ad Hoc Committee for Policy Review

Board members Pheng Thao, Kay Eggert, and Nick Ross have agreed to serve on the Policy Review Committee.

Motion to authorize a Board Ad Hoc Committee for Policy Review, for a period beginning Monday, April 22, 2024 and expiring on Sunday, April 27, 2025.

Motion by Kay Eggert, second by Kristine Sauter.
Final Resolution: Motion Carried
Aye: Kay Eggert, Kristine Sauter, Edward Ruffolo, Pheng Thao, Jason Kolpack, Nick Ross

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4. Special Presentation

A. Student School Board Representative Report

School Board Representative, Lauren Choi, gave an update on events and activities at Appleton North High School.

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5. Public Input (GC-3.3: Initiate and maintain effective communication with the citizens.)

A. Public Input

The following individual addressed the Board of Education during Public Input:

- 1. Rebecca Zornow (Appleton, WI)- regarding Cross-categorical Special Education

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6. Board Development (GC-2.2: The Board will assure that its members are provided with training and professional support necessary to govern effectively.)

A. None

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7. Information for Board Decision Preparation (OE-8.4: Assure that the Board has adequate information from a variety of internal and external viewpoints to assure informed Board decisions.)

A. Business Services Update(s): None

B. School/Student Services Update(s): Start College Now/Early College Credit (SCN/ECCP)

Assistant Superintendent, Steve Harrison, reported on the Start College Now/Early College Credit (SCN/ECCP) item for consideration.

C. Personnel Services Update(s): Professional Educator New Hire(s) and Resignation(s); Administrative Resignation(s)

Chief Human Resources Officer, Julie King, reported on the Personnel Services items for consideration.

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8. Board's Consent Agenda (GC-2.4: The Board will use a consent agenda as a means to expedite the disposition of routine matters and dispose of other items of business it chooses not to discuss.)

Motion to approve the Board's Consent Agenda as presented.

Consent Items Approved:

- A. Board Meeting Minutes from April 8, 2024
- B. Expulsion Meeting Minutes from April 10, 2024
- C. Expulsion Meeting Minutes from April 11, 2024

Motion by Pheng Thao, second by Nick Ross.
Final Resolution: Motion Carried
Aye: Kay Eggert, Kristine Sauter, Edward Ruffolo, Pheng Thao, Jason Kolpack, Nick Ross

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9. Superintendent's Consent Agenda (OE-8.10: Provide for the Board adequate information about all administrative actions and decisions that are delegated to the Superintendent but required by law to be approved by the Board.)

Motion to approve the Superintendent's Consent Agenda as presented.

Consent Items Approved:

- A. Start College Now/Early College Credit (SCN/ECCP)
- B. Professional Educator New Hire(s)
- C. Professional Educator Resignation(s)
- D. Administrative Resignation(s)

Motion by Kay Eggert, second by Edward Ruffolo.

Final Resolution: Motion Carried

Aye: Kay Eggert, Kristine Sauter, Edward Ruffolo, Pheng Thao, Jason Kolpack, Nick Ross

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10. Reports (OE-8.2: Provide for the Board, in a timely manner, information about trends, facts and other information relevant to the Board's work.)

A. Business Services Report: Second Debt Issue for the November 2022 Referendum

Executive Director of Finance Holly Burr and Erik Kass, a representative from PMA Securities reported on the Second Debt Issue for the November 2022 Referendum. This item will come back as an item for consideration at the next Board Meeting on May 6, 2024.

B. School/Student Services Report: Report on Graduation Rates; 5K-5 ELA Curriculum and Materials Update

Greg Hartjes, Mike Hernandez, and Amy Steiner presented the report on Graduation Rates.

Steve Harrison and Carrie Willer presented the 5K-5ELA Curriculum and Materials Update. This item will come back as an item for consideration at the next Board Meeting on May 6, 2024.

C. Personnel Services Report:

None

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11. Board Business

A. Consent Agenda Item(s) Removed for Separate Consideration

None

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12. Items of Information

A. None

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13. Future Meetings

A. Board Work Session: Monday, May 6, 2024, 4:00PM

B. Board Meeting: Monday, May 6, 2024, 6:00PM

C. Board Meeting: Monday, May 20, 2024, 6:00 PM

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14. Closed Session

A. Motion to go into Closed Session

Motion to go into Closed Session at 8:24PM.

Motion by Edward Ruffolo, second by Pheng Thao.

Final Resolution: Motion Carried

Aye: Kay Eggert, Kristine Sauter, Edward Ruffolo, Pheng Thao, Jason Kolpack

Abstain: Nick Ross

B. Wisconsin State Statute 19.85 (1)(c)- Considering employment, promotion, compensation or performance evaluation data of any public employee over which the governmental body has jurisdiction or exercises responsibility, for the purpose of discussing compensation for the following groups/individuals within said groups: Professional Educators, Administrators, Administrative Support, Maintenance, Secretaries and Paraprofessionals.

C. Motion to Adjourn the Meeting

Motion to Adjourn the Meeting at 9:02PM.

Motion by Kristine Sauter, second by Jason Kolpack.

Final Resolution: Motion Carried

Aye: Kay Eggert, Kristine Sauter, Edward Ruffolo, Pheng Thao, Jason Kolpack

Absent from voting: Nick Ross

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Board President Signature: _____

