School District of Onalaska
Board of Education Regular Meeting
Monday, August 11, 2025 6:00 p.m.
District Office - 237 2nd Ave S, Onalaska, WI

Board of Education

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Charlie Ihle	Onalaska High School Associate Principal
Jason Thiry	Onalaska High School Associate Principal/Activities Director
Ben Burns	Onalaska Middle School Principal
Jana Yashinsky	Onalaska Middle School Associate Principal
Todd Saner	Eagle Bluff Elementary Principal
Abby Davis	Irving Pertzsch Elementary Principal

Mission Statement	Working together to ensure high levels of learning for all
Vision Statement	A model school district in service of students, staff, and community

This meeting is a meeting of the Board of Education in public for the purpose of conducting the School District's business and is not to be considered a public community meeting. There is a time for public participation during the meeting as indicated in the agenda.

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1. **Call to Order:**

2. **Roll Call - Verification of Quorum:**

3. **Pledge of Allegiance:**
   Aaron McDonald will lead the group in the reciting of the Pledge of Allegiance.

4. **Mission Statement:**
   Tracy Laufenberg will read the School Board Mission Statement.

5. **Public Notice:**
   The Board secretary will verify that public notice was given in accordance with the requirements for the State of Wisconsin's public meeting law. (Wis. Stats. 19.84(2))

6. **Agenda Revisions:**
   No new items may be added to the agenda.

7. **Approval of Agenda:**
   The Board of Education will approve the agenda as published, less any items which are removed by the Board or Administration.

8. **Public Input:**
   Public Comment is governed by Board Bylaw 0167.3. Members of the public may request permission to speak on any item on the agenda for a maximum of three minutes. A form to speak to an agenda item is available in the Board room. The form must be filled out prior to the start of the meeting and submitted to administration.

Informational/Discussion Items:

9. **Middle and High School Building Projects Update:**
   Jared Schaffner and Ben Burns will give an update on the middle and high school building projects. (Enclosure: 9.Building Updates)

10. **Pillar III and Pillar IV - Strategic Plan:**
    Administration will report progress on the District Strategic Plan for Pillar III - Staff Recruitment, Development and Retention, and Pillar IV - Finance, Facilities, and Operations Stewardship for Board information. (Enclosure: 10.Pillar III and IV)

11. **2024-25 4th Quarter Financial Report:**
    Janet Rosseter will present the quarterly financial report for the period ending June 30, 2025 for Board information. (Enclosure: 11.Quarterly Financials)

Action Items:

12. **Action Research Projects:**
    A. Irving Pertzsch Elementary teacher Miranda Flock will present for Board approval her action research project as part of her master's program. (Enclosure: 12.Flock)

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B. Irving Pertzsch Elementary teacher Emily MacCallum will present for Board approval her action research project as part of her master's program. (Enclosure: 12.MacCallum)

C. Onalaska Middle School teacher Rachel Lopez will present for Board approval her action research project as part of her master's program. (Enclosure: 12.Lopez)

13. **2025-26 Handbooks:**

Ben Barton will request Board approval of the following handbooks: Elementary Student Handbook, PreK Student Handbook, Middle School Activities Handbook, Middle School Student Handbook, Co-Curricular Staff Handbook, and High School Activities Handbook.
(Enclosures: 13.Elementary Student Handbook, 13.PreK Student Handbook, 13.MS Activities Handbook, 13.MS Student Handbook, 13.Co-Curricular Staff Handbook, 13.HS Activities Handbook)

14. **Consent Agenda:**

The following items will be presented for approval. Items may be removed for separate consideration:

A. Budgetary Disbursements and Payroll in accordance with enclosure.
(Enclosure: 14.Disbursements)

B. Personnel Report -
   1. New Employees - Hourly Staff
   2. Transfer Request - Administration
   3. Position Deletions
   4. Extended Contracts
   5. Co-Curricular Resignation
   6. Co-Curricular Contracts
   7. Transfer Notification - Certified Staff
   8. Reassignment Notification - Certified Staff
   9. Transfer Notification - Hourly Staff
   10. Resignation Notifications - Hourly Staff

   (Enclosure: 14.Personnel Report)

C. Minutes - July 28, 2025 regular meeting minutes. (Enclosure: 14.Minutes 07.28.25)

D. Overnight trips - Girls Tennis to Stevens Point - August 19-20, Girls Golf to Wisconsin Rapids - August 24-25.

15. **Adjourn:**

Upcoming Board Meeting Schedule:
August 25, 2025 - Board of Education Regular Meeting, 6:00 p.m.
September 8, 2025 - Board of Education Regular Meeting, 6:00 p.m.

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