School District of Onalaska
Board of Education Regular Meeting Minutes
Monday, August 11, 2025

President Aaron McDonald called the Onalaska Board of Education regular meeting to order on Monday, August 11, 2025 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 - Mark Cassellius, Brian Haefs, Tracy Laufenberg, Ann Garrity, and Aaron McDonald.
   Members Absent - Bridget Thomas and Erik Archer.
   Administrators/Directors Present - Ben Barton, Janet Rosseter, Lish Olson, Laurie Enos, Jared Schaffner, Abby Davis, Todd Saner, Kelly McMahon, Sonya Ganther and Emily Johnson.
   Others Present - Miranda Flock, Emily MacCallum, and Rachel Lopez.

3. **Pledge of Allegiance to the American Flag:** Aaron McDonald 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 #12 - Action Research Projects, to before Item #9 - Building Updates.

7. **Approval of Agenda:** *Motion by A. Garrity, second by B. Haefs, to approve the agenda with moving Item #12 - Action Research Projects, to before Item #9 - Building Updates. Motion carried.*

8. **Public Input:** There were no public comments.

Action Item:

9. **Action Research Projects:** *Motion by T. Laufenberg, second by B. Haefs, to approve action research projects for teachers Miranda Flock, Emily MacCallum, and Rachel Lopez. Motion carried.*

Informational Items:

10. **Middle and High School Building Projects Update:** Jared Schaffner and Ben Burns gave an update on the middle and high school building projects.

11. **Pillar III and Pillar IV - Strategic Plan:** Administration reported 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.

12. **2024-25 4th Quarter Financial Report:** Janet Rosseter presented the quarterly financial report for the period ending June 30, 2025 for Board information.

Action Items:

13. **2025-26 Handbooks:** *Motion by A. McDonald, second by A. Garrity, to approve 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. Motion carried.*

14. **Consent Agenda:** *Motion by B. Haefs, second by M. Cassellius, to approve the following under the consent agenda:*
    - *A. Budgetary Disbursements and Payroll in accordance with enclosure.*
    - *B. Personnel Report - New Employees - Hourly Staff, Transfer Request - Administration, Position Deletions, Extended Contracts, Co-Curricular Resignation, Co-Curricular Contracts, Transfer Notification - Certified Staff, Reassignment Notification - Certified Staff, Transfer Notification - Hourly Staff, Resignation Notifications - Hourly Staff.*
    - *C. Minutes - July 28, 2025 regular meeting minutes.*
    - *D. Overnight trips - Girls Tennis to Stevens Point - August 19-20, Girls Golf to Wisconsin Rapids - August 24-25.*

    Motion carried.

15. **Adjourn:** *Motion by B. Haefs, second by T. Laufenberg, to adjourn at 6:47 p.m. Motion carried.*

Respectfully submitted by Emily Johnson

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Aaron McDonald, Board President Brian Haefs, Board Clerk