

# Board of Education Meeting Minutes

6:00 p.m. on Wednesday, December 13, 2023 (Amended 12/12/23) at High School Library Media Center

## 1. Meeting Called to Order by President

President Kujawa called the regular December Board of Education meeting to order.

## 2. Pledge of Allegiance

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

## 3. Roll Call

Present: Bartol, Burgess, Gehrke, Krause, Kujawa, Malchetske, Podoll, Shattuck, Toney.

## 4. Consent Agenda

Shattuck/Malchetske moved to approve the consent agenda items consisting of November 15, 2023 minutes, and vouchers in the amount of \$836,328.49. Motion passed by unanimous voice vote.

### i. Approval of Agenda

### ii. Approval of November 15, 2023 Minutes

### iii. Approval of Vouchers

## 5. Time to Shine

High School Principal Bryant Bednarek introduced Chris Much, High School Math/Tech Ed Teacher. Mr. Much showcased the new class DIY Living. 100% of the curriculum has been developed on the staff's knowledge and experience. Activities/Projects students get to experience include general plumbing, a basic understanding of electricity, changing a tire, and hanging drywall.

## 6. Opportunity for those in audience to address the Board on any school related issue

Dan Poliak addressed the board on the Berlin Middle School layout and the support received for the Project Lead the Way program.

## 7. Approval of 2024-2025 Academic Calendar - Action

Dr. Durtschi went over the 1.6 draft academic calendar. He explained that leaders and staff were included while developing the academic calendar. Discussion followed. Gehrke/Burgess moved to approve the 1.6 draft 2024-2025 academic calendar as presented. Motion passed by unanimous voice vote.

## 8. Approval of HVAC Contract - Action

Josh Youngbauer, Director of Building & Grounds, explained the bids received for the HVAC contract. This district has had a 7-year partnership with August Winter which is his recommendation to approve. Discussion followed. Malchetske/Gehrke moved to approve the 2-year HVAC contract with August Winter as presented. Motion passed by unanimous voice vote.

## 9. Financial Update

Director of Business Services, Tricia Polakowski, updated the board on the 2024-25 staffing projection as conversations will start in January with the Principals.

## 10. Superintendent Update

Dr. Durtschi explained that this week's Berlin Journal column is on the topic of understanding your tax bill. At next month's board meeting, the Principals will present a midyear Continuous Improvement Plan update. Dr. Durtschi's shout-out this month is to students participating in the holiday concerts as well as the teachers and staff for their dedication.

## 11. Committee Updates

Thursday, December 14, 2023, there will be a Policy Committee meeting, and on Monday, December 18, 2023, there will be a Building & Grounds Committee meeting.

## **12. School Board Member Updates**

### **iv. Board Correspondent Legislative Update**

Nick Bartol reported that on December 6, 2023, Wisconsin Act 60 was signed into law. This requires all students to graduate with a half-credit of personal financial literacy starting with the Class of 2028.

### **v. Board President Update**

None

## **13. Adjourn**

Burgess/Malchetske moved to approve to adjourn the meeting at 7:15 p.m. Motion passed by unanimous voice vote.