

SURING PUBLIC SCHOOL DISTRICT

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Board of Education Regular Meeting Minutes  
Wednesday, December 9, 2020 - 5:30 P.M. – Small Gym

The regular meeting of the Suring School Board was called to order by Board President Sleeter.

Pledge of Allegiance.

Board Members present: Lally, Lundgren, Regal, Seibert, Sleeter, Wozniak.

Absent: Dennis Piepkorn.

Administration present: Mrs. Berg, Mrs. Pendl.

Mrs. Casper via phone.

Visitors present: Heidi Gerndt, Terry Garrigan, Mitchell Woulf, Tabitha School, Zach School, Glen Napier, and Kyle Frank.

Motion by Lally, seconded by Siebert to approve the consent items (Agenda with removal of District Spotlight, Minutes of November 11, 2020 Regular Meeting, Bills-check numbers 95859 through 95929, Treasurer Report) as listed. Carried 6-0.

Treasurer Report as follows:

	Balance on hand November 1, 2020	\$3,241,844.50
	Revenues for November, 2020	<u>131,025.98</u>
		\$3,372,870.48
November Expenses		
Net Payroll	\$165,157.97	
Accounts Payable	<u>350,710.97</u>	
	(\$515,868.94)	
	Total Expenses for November, 2020	<u>\$ 515,868.94</u>
	Balance on hand November 30, 2020	\$2,857,001.54

During public input, Tabitha School addressed the board expressing her concerns about students not being in school. Mrs. School indicated that she would like to see the district move forward bringing students back to school five days per week.

The Administration Committee meeting report of December 3, 2020 was presented to the Board. At the committee meeting, discussion took place in regards to policies Volume 29, No. 2, Technical Corrections Vol. 29, No. 2, PPE, Coronavirus Disease, Federal Funds, and Title IX.

Special Education/Curriculum Director, Michelle Pendl, showcased a presentation on what the district is doing for professional development with technology. In her presentation, Pendl explained how teachers of all different grade levels demonstrated how they use Schoology in their classroom, shared their presentations with all staff during in-service and shared links to YouTube videos for future reference.

Principal Berg's written report was presented to the Board and included information on the school closure in November and a wellness grant that will be pushed out in January 2021. She informed the board that during the closure, the School Social Worker facilitated providing 43 families with one weekend meal and 23 families received a Thanksgiving meal from the Nurse's Nook and 109 children were provided meals from the district food service program. Also during the closure, the After School program sent home craft projects, coloring pages, experiment ideas and every student 5K through 8<sup>th</sup> grade received an age appropriate book. Lastly, Berg informed the board that the School Social Worker and Guidance Counselor are working on the winter help program getting children warm clothing they need for winter, Christmas gifts to children in need within our district and working on outreach to distant learners who are struggling to engage or succeed.

Athletic Director Heidi Gerndt's written report included an update on athletic schedules for spring sports and next school year. Gerndt stated that our basketball seasons are off to a good start and that we have three wrestlers at this time and wrestling practice has been moved to Suring. Gerndt also informed the board that she recently met with Mrs. Casper and Gillett's AD and Superintendent in regards to the co-op agreement for wrestling, baseball and softball.

District Administrator Kelly Casper presented the transportation report and informed the board that Lucas Bedroske, Rachel Bedroske, and Angela School have been approved as volunteer coaches. Casper also informed the board members that the full time custodian position has been published in the Peshtigo Times and the Oconto County Times Herald with applications due December 21, 2020.

Extensive discussion on the COVID Matrix and Plan along with reviewing the current COVID tracking information for the school district took place. The first reading of policies Vol 29, No. 2, Technical Corrections Vol. 29, No. 2, PPE, Coronavirus Disease, Federal Funds and Title IX were reviewed.

Motion by Regal, seconded by Lally to allow up to four spectators per player at all sporting events if approved by the Athletic Director. Carried 6-0.

Motion by Regal, seconded by Lundgren to approve PK-5 coming back 5 days per week on January 4, 2021. Carried 6-0.

Motion by Lundgren, seconded by Seibert to approve first reading of Policies: Vol. 29, No. 2. Carried 6-0.

Motion by Lundgren, seconded by Lally to approve first reading of Policies: Technical Corrections Vol. 29, No. 2. Carried 6-0.

Motion by Regal, seconded by Wozniak to approve first reading of Policies: PPE. Carried 6-0.

Motion by Lundgren, seconded by Regal to approve first reading of Policies: Coronavirus Disease. Carried 6-0.

Motion by Lundgren, seconded by Wozniak to approve first reading of Policies: Federal Funds. Carried 6-0.

Motion by Lundgren, seconded by Regal to approve first reading of Policies: Title IX. Carried 6-0.

The next regular Board meeting will be Wednesday, January 13, 2021, Small Gym, at 5:30PM. Mrs. Casper will send the Annual Board Development Tool survey to board members prior to setting the date for the Board Retreat.

Items for future Board consideration are drug testing for new employees and criteria for virtual students.

Board members Sleeter, Piepkorn, and Mrs. Casper will be attending the WASB Convention virtually January 20-22, 2021. Piepkorn is the Delegate for the District at the Convention. Marking off-site property lines/awareness and the Suring School sign on Firgens property remain as unfinished business.

There was no public input at this time.

Motion by Lally, seconded by Seibert to convene in Closed Session if approved by roll call vote of the Board. Roll Call Vote: Lally-yes, Lundgren-yes, Regal-yes, Seibert-yes, Sleeter-yes, Wozniak-yes. Carried 6-0.

Motion by Seibert, seconded by Lally to adjourn the Closed Session and reconvene in Open Session. Carried 6-0.

**RECONVENE OPEN SESSION AND TAKE POSSIBLE ACTION ON ITEMS DISCUSSED IN CLOSED SESSION**

Motion by Regal, seconded by Lundgren to adjourn the Open Meeting. Carried 6-0.

Joy Rohde, District Secretary

Time: 7:59 P.M.