SURING PUBLIC SCHOOL DISTRICT 920-842-2178

411 E. Algoma Street, Suring WI 54174

Board of Education Regular Meeting Minutes Wednesday, September 08, 2021 - 5:30 P.M. – Boardroom #300

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

Pledge of Allegiance.

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

Administration present: Mrs. Casper, Mrs. Berg.

Visitors present: Christie Strube, D. Strube, Brenda Schrank, Claudia Bartz, Marycarolyn Jagodzinski, Greg Jaeger, Nicole Largo, Beth Moede, John J. Moede, Michelle Thomson, Paul Thomson, Tabitha School, Heidi Gerndt, Gina Cramer, Pete Cramer, Laura Strehlow, Mitzer Harnois.

Motion by Piepkorn, seconded by Lally to approve the change in sequence to move District Spotlight to end of meeting and consent items (Agenda, Minutes of August 11, 2021 Regular Meeting and August 25, 2021 Special Meeting, Bills-96737 through 96830, Treasurer Report) as listed. Carried 6-0. Treasurer Report as follows:

Beginning Balance August 1, 2021 \$3,341,827.39 Revenues for August, 2021 1,239,349.37 \$4,581,176.76

August Expenses

Net Payroll \$ 42,614.35 Accounts Payable <u>302,664.39</u> (\$345,278.74)

> Total Expenses for August, 2021 <u>\$ 345,278.74</u> Balance on hand August 31, 2021 \$4,235,898.02

During Public Input, Nicole Largo addressed lunch and recess and Brenda Schrank spoke about mandatory masks.

The finance committee meeting report of August 17, 2021 was presented to the board. The committee met to discuss the Support Staff Handbook.

Technology Coordinator, Laura Strehlow, reported on ECF, Emergency Connectivity Fund, funding for sixty-five Chromebook, ten tablets, and fourteen MiFi's. She also informed the board that the FCC is opening another round of ECF funds at the end of September. Strehlow also gave an update on summer projects completed which included Interactive Boards installed, updating devices for teachers and staff, and setting up new Chromebooks. The new firewall, FortiGate 400E, was installed, e-rate 18-19 for UPS money was received and smartboards and projectors have been placed on Wisconsin Public Surplus for sale.

Principal Pam Berg's report to the Board included things that were completed during staff professional development at the August In-service. Berg also shared information on Back-To-School Night, the \$1000.00 Schoolhouse gift card from the Meemic Foundation, and the first day of school. The After School Program will be starting September 13, 2021. Berg shared supplementary materials provided by Mrs. Wozniak-Berg including Session One sign-up sheet and the After School Parent/Guardian Handbook.

Athletic Director, Heidi Gerndt, reported on fall sport participation numbers, winter sports are ready to go with a few officiating issues and spring sports are waiting for schedules. Gerndt also updated the board on the track rubberizing that started today.

District Administrator, Kelly Casper, reported on two volunteer coach applications that were approved and the need for substitutes in the building. Greg Jaeger, Building & Grounds Supervisor, gave an update on projects completed since the August board meeting.

There was not a CESA 8 report this month.

Ms. Claudia Bartz and Marycaroline Jagodzinski explained the Marinette & Oconto Counties Literacy, Inc. Program. Jagodzinski explained that they provide services and programs for adult basic education and English Language Learning for Marinette and Oconto Counties. Their mission is to improve literacy in reading, writing, comprehension, speaking English, math and computer skills for adults.

COVID tracking information was shared. Request to open the weight room and cardio room for community use was discussed.

Mrs. Casper shared the summer transportation costs that the district received for operating door to door bussing for academic summer school classes. The preliminary budget for 2021-2022 was shared showing where the District is at right now with the planning of the budget.

The unofficial student enrollment numbers are 159 in grades EC-5, 70 in Middle School and 124 in High School. Compared to last year, the district is down in total students. The official numbers will be brought to the Board in October after the third Friday count.

Nursing Services for 2021-2022 was discussed. Approval of the Nursing Services was tabled until the October meeting. The Support Staff Handbook is still a work in progress. A draft of vacation time offering for new employees was shared.

Back-The-Track update was given by Heidi Gerndt. There were 131 runners and 40 volunteers at the run. Since June, Gerndt and Pete and Gina Cramer have raised \$73,784.53 toward the rubberizing of the new track. Gerndt thanked the board for allowing them to go forward with the project. In return, the board thanked Gerndt and the Cramer's for all their hard work.

Motion by Piepkorn, seconded by Wozniak to approve the use of school facilities for all school district community members. Carried 7-0.

Motion by Regal, seconded by Lally to approve the School Emergency Response Plan (Nursing Protocols) as discussed. Carried 7-0.

The board retreat was set for September 15, 2021 at Bagley Rapids at 5:30PM. The next regular school board meeting will be on Wednesday, October 13, 2021, Boardroom #300, at 5:30PM.

The Annual Meeting for Suring Public School District will be on Monday, October 25, 2021, in the Boardroom #300, at 5:30PM.

In unfinished business, the school sign on Firgen's property will remain on the agenda.

Motion by Lally, seconded by Piepkorn to convene in Closed Session if approved by roll call vote of the Board. Roll Call Vote: Lally – yes, Lundgren – yes, Piepkorn – yes, Regal - yes, Seibert-yes, Sleeter – yes, Wozniak-yes. Carried 7-0.

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

Motion by Regal, seconded by Lally to approve 12 month administrative employees to have 3 personal days per year, not deducted from sick days. Carried 7-0.

Motion by Lally, seconded by Seibert to deny the alternate open enrollment application for a student because Special Education Services are not available. Carried 7-0.

Time: 8:40 P.M.

Motion by Piepkorn, seconded by Lally to adjourn the Open Meeting. Carried 7-0.

Joy Rohde, District Secretary