

MINUTES
SCHOOL BOARD
SURING PUBLIC SCHOOL DISTRICT
Regular Meeting - Suring School Library
Wednesday, November 14, 2012
6:00 P.M.

The regular meeting of the Suring School Board was called to order by Board Vice-President Trepanier.

Pledge of Allegiance

Board Members present: Grandaw-Ustianowski, Lundgren, School, Sleeter, Trepanier.
Absent: Piepkorn, Strehlow.

Administration present: Mr. Ray, Mr. Parkovich.

Visitors present: Laura Fisher, Sue Anderson, Amy Gilbertson, Frank Raspberry, Laurie Raspberry, Jeff Whiting, Trisha Janae Baldwin, Greg Jaeger, Karen Kerber.

Motion by Lundgren, seconded by Grandaw-Ustianowski to approve the agenda. Carried 5-0.

Motion by Sleeter, seconded by School to approve the minutes of the regular meeting held on October 10, 2012 and the minutes of the special meeting held on October 24, 2012. Carried 5-0.

COMMUNICATIONS

Frank Raspberry, on behalf of Rolling Thunder, presented the District with books for the library. "Operation Legacy" and "A Ride to the Wall with Rolling Thunder" were presented in honor of our Veterans. He shared an opportunity for the school to get involved – "Get involved, honor their lives: vvmf.org/Wisconsin". Frank was also acknowledged for his years of service to the school district and was presented with a plaque from the Wisconsin Department of Public Instruction.

PUBLIC INPUT – None.

COMMITTEE REPORTS – None.

Motion by School, seconded by Sleeter to approve the October Financial Report as stated. Carried 5-0.

Financial Report as follows:

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| | Balance on hand October 1, 2012 | \$2,674,023.51 |
| | Receipts for October, 2012 | <u>42,667.20</u> |
| | | \$2,716,690.71 |
| October Disbursements | | |
| Net Payroll | \$124,677.98 | |
| Accounts Payable | <u>336,043.29</u> | |
| | (\$460,721.27) | |
| | Total Disbursements for October, 2012 | <u>\$ 460,721.27</u> |
| | Balance on hand October 31, 2012 | \$2,255,969.44 |

Motion by Grandaw-Ustianowski, seconded by Lundgren to approve and pay bills - check numbers 83598 through 83709. Carried 5-0.

Motion by Sleeter, seconded by Lundgren to approve and pay construction bill – check number 112. Carried 5-0.

In lieu of a Student Council report, Sue Anderson narrated a video taken of her Robotics class. This hands-on class has proven to be beneficial for both male and female students for trouble-shooting and problem solving issues in building the robots. Mr. Ray asked Mrs. Anderson about the possibility of forming a Robotics Club.

Karen Kerber, Kerber, Rose and Associates, S.C., presented to the Board a summary of the Independent Auditor's Report which they prepared for the District. A corrective action plan was shared with the Board. Superintendent Robert Ray has taken the initiative to implement the changes that are required to be compliant. Wayne Sleeter asked Ms. Kerber what her overall thought on the District's financial condition was. She stated that we were holding steady – which is a good thing.

Eric Larsen from CESA 8 shared the facts of the School Report Card for the District. Suring Elementary scored 64.1% which falls within the “meets expectations” rating. Suring High School scored 53.4% which falls within the “meets few expectations” rating. A very critical area is that of mathematics. The math achievement scores fall short of the state average. The implementation of the Common Core Standards for Mathematics will address these scores.

The District Report Card can be found on the school website - <http://www.suring.k12.wi.us/> under District Information.

Nels Jensen, Reading Teacher/Specialist, prepared a list of suggestions for improving student reading test scores. This will also be addressed in the implementation of the Common Core Standards. Mr. Jensen is working on moving the school from Targeted Assistance Title I program to Schoolwide Title 1 program and will be attending a conversion workshop in December.

Motion by Sleeter, seconded by School to approve the resignation of Terry Garrigan as High School Football Assistant Coach. Carried 5-0.

Motion by Lundgren, seconded by Sleeter to approve Barbara Greene for 3 days per week as an assistant teacher for 4th grade for the 2012-13 school year. Carried 5-0.

Motion by Sleeter, seconded by School to approve Dave Nieling for 2 days per week as an assistant teacher for 4th grade for the 2012-13 school year. Carried 5-0.

Motion by Lundgren, seconded by School to approve Ron Christensen, Bruce Parkovich, Aaron Regal, Mike Cornell, and Bob Schroeder, as high school boys basketball volunteer coaches for the 2012-13 school year. Carried 5-0.

Motion by Sleeter, seconded by School to approve Randy Fisher as high school girls basketball volunteer coach for the 2012-13 school year. Carried 5-0.

Motion by School, seconded by Sleeter to approve Wayne Wasmund, Kathy Runge, and Melissa Stelzer as youth basketball program volunteer coaches for the 2012-13 school year. Carried 5-0.

Laura Fisher presented the Technology Report. The current anti-virus system, Lightspeed, will expire in January, 2014. Laura has been researching for a replacement for this system. Laura attended a demonstration of the HP IMC product for managing a wireless environment. A technology committee meeting was held on October 29. Items discussed were the servers, the back-up situation, technology plan, technology requests, and attendance for the statewide Slate conference. The replacement back-up system was installed October 31 and is working fine.

Greg Jaeger presented his building and grounds report. Discussion took place regarding re-locating the weight room. Greg has contacted Universal Restoration Services. This is a restoration company for structural and property damage due to an unexpected tragedy. They will do a free-of-charge building walk thru and planning prior to the unexpected.

Quotes have been requested for the coating of the elementary gym ceiling. Greg has researched and contacted various other companies that have used a product called "K-13". He will bring his recommendation to the Board at the December meeting. Greg is working with WPS and Oconto County Emergency Management in regards to an emergency generator. Greg has updated the WPS application for solar panels to be placed at the school. Shaun Wagner would be the advisor for this project with the Environmental Club. Two schools will be chosen for 2014 installation and also for 2015. He also said the current key card software is obsolete and needs to be updated.

Mr. Ray shared with the Board the Enrollment Projection Study.

Mr. Ray presented a breakdown on the Triton classes and number of students participating in all TRITON schools.

The transportation report was tabled until next month as the monthly breakdown from Lamer's did not arrive in time for the board meeting.

Superintendent Ray presented the food services report and a discussion took place about the high school numbers in the breakfast program.

Mr. Ray stated that the plan is to advertise for a principal after January 1. Wayne Sleeter felt that the search should start immediately. The Board shared what qualifications they expected from the candidates. Mr. Ray was directed by the Board to have the posting advertised by December 1 with a copy to the Board prior to posting. Discussion took place over the residency clause in the contract.

The yearbook as an agenda item was moved into closed session.

Mr. Ray shared the numbers for students taking off for the hunting season from the past four years. This needs to be looked at since these absences count towards the school report card.

Mr. Parkovich presented the principal report. He is impressed with Mrs. Anderson's robotic class and thanked her for her presentation. The Veteran's Day Program was outstanding and very well attended. He thanked everyone involved for the wonderful program. He received compliments from some attendees on the behavior of the students. The backpack snack program is a very positive program and may expand in the future.

Mr. Parkovich presented the athletic report on behalf of Mr. Lechleitner. He offered his thanks to the coaches and event workers for making each match or event a success due to their professionalism and dedication.

Melissa Trepanier shared with the Board the discussion from the CESA 8 board meeting she attended and invited the Board members to attend a future meeting.

School Board members up for election in April 2013 are Wayne Sleeter and Cheryl Grandaw-Ustianowski.

Items for future board consideration include: school report card as an agenda item, foreign language classes, wrestling financial update, process for initial principal interviews, status of superintendent review, and progress of after school snack program.

The WASB State Convention will January 23-25, 2013.

The District Goals were presented by Robert Ray.

Motion by Sleeter, seconded by Lundgren to approve the revised 2012-13 District Goals as proposed. Carried 5-0.

PUBLIC INPUT – None.

Motion by Sleeter , seconded by Lundgren to convene in Closed Session if approved by roll call vote of the Board. Roll Call Vote: Grandaw-Ustianowski-Yes, Lundgren-Yes, School-Yes, Sleeter-Yes, Trepanier-Yes. Carried 5-0.

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

Motion by Sleeter, seconded by Grandaw-Ustianowski to adjourn the Open Meeting. Carried 5-0.

Cheryl Grandaw-Ustianowski, Clerk

Time: 9:17 P.M.