

MINUTES  
SCHOOL BOARD  
SURING PUBLIC SCHOOL DISTRICT  
Regular Meeting – Conference Room #300  
Wednesday, January 14, 2015  
6:00 P.M.

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

Pledge of Allegiance

Board Members present: Lundgren, Piepkorn, School, Sleeter, Strehlow, Ustianowski, Wozniak.

Administration present: Mrs. Casper, Mr. Huisman, Mrs. Kasten.

Visitors present: Anne Renel-Times Herald, Erin Jahnke, John H. Moede, Laura Fisher, Greg Jaeger.

Motion by Wozniak, seconded by School to approve the agenda. Carried 7-0.

Motion by Sleeter, seconded by Strehlow to approve the minutes of the regular meeting held on December 10, 2014. Carried 7-0.

Mrs. Casper shared:

- a thank you from Wisconsin Veterans Home, King for the donations which they received from the Junior/Senior High Student Council
- a thank you was received from Louise Christensen for the generous gift from the Suring Volleyball Team and the M&O Conference as she was the recipient of the Cancer Awareness drive

PUBLIC INPUT – There was no public input at this time.

Mrs. Casper shared the report from Finance Committee Meeting of December 10, 2014.

Motion by Ustianowski, seconded by School to approve the December Financial Report as stated.  
Carried 7-0.

Financial Report as follows:

	Balance on hand December 1, 2014	\$1,490,621.34
	Receipts for December, 2014	<u>217,589.11</u>
		\$1,708,210.45
December Disbursements		
Net Payroll	\$194,516.72	
Accounts Payable	<u>466,538.98</u>	
	(\$661,055.70)	
	Total Disbursements for December, 2014	<u>\$ 661,055.70</u>
	Balance on hand December 31, 2014	\$1,047,154.75

Motion by Sleeter, seconded by Wozniak to approve and pay bills - check numbers 85993 through 86116.  
Carried 7-0.

Mrs. Casper presented the board with her monthly Eagle News Report. The report includes:

- Mr. Lechleitner's Manufacturing class purchasing a nailer for the shop class with the profits made from their Christmas sales
- the wrestling program is looking into the opportunities of adding 5<sup>th</sup> graders to their middle school program
- the Wellness Committee moving forward with developing a wellness plan and setting the Jan/Feb staff wellness activity
- Leadership team is reviewing the 2015-16 calendar and evaluating where we are at with 2014-15 school goals.

Amy Kasten updated the board on the following:

- shared the process for developing the student course description handbook, Guidance Counselor Erin Jahnke handed out the student course description book and an update sheet for 2015–2016 school year. Erin spent time walking through the changes and the student needs.  
Mr. Sleeter asked about NWTC course offerings. Mrs. Kasten and Mrs. Casper addressed his concerns regarding Suring School District involvement and opportunities for students.
- the ACT Aspire results
- monthly informational staff meetings on testing

Motion by Lundgren, seconded by Wozniak to approve the new courses being offered for the 2015-16 school year. Carried 7-0.

Motion by Lundgren, seconded by Strehlow to reduce the number of social studies credits required for graduation to three to follow the state graduation requirements. Carried 7-0.

Motion by Wozniak, seconded by Sleeter to approve Cindy Tuschy as a part-time library aide for 4½ hours per student contact day. Carried 7-0.

Laura Fisher presented the Technology Report. The report included discussion topics from the technology committee meeting that took place on Dec. 18. Topics included:

- an overview of the mobile cart and the Chromebooks usage in Mr. Breed's class
- Suring School District Facebook page
- Google calendar implementation
- current technology requests from staff
- concerns of student misuse of school supplied email accounts
- the need of staff training for Chromebooks and Google docs.

Greg Jaeger presented an update on the Buildings and Grounds Report which included:

- the school forest logging project and Forest Management Plan
- a new School Forest/FFA sign will be designed and brought to the board for review/approval in February 2015. The sign will be constructed by the Suring High School construction class and the FFA with all of the materials donated by Dave and Jennifer Jahnke.
- an update on the 2015–2016 Emergency Nursing Services. Mr. Jaeger thanked Mrs. Casper for her help with the update. Mr. Sleeter inquired about a part-time on-site nurse
- Mr. Jaeger thanked Carver/Marquis Yachts for their donation of plywood
- the Environmental Club has proposed a cost sharing plan to purchase two water filling stations. At this time one filling station will be purchased and installed in the cafeteria on the south wall.

Motion by Sleeter seconded by Strehlow to approve Wolf River Forestry of Shawano as forester.  
Carried 7-0.

Motion by Sleeter seconded by School to approve the 2015-2016 Emergency Nursing Services.  
Carried 7-0.

Mrs. Casper gave the total year to date revenues and expenses for food service.

Mrs. Casper presented the December Transportation Report comparing the 2013-14 school year with 2014-15. She covered the miles/expenses of the transportation for the after school program.

Mrs. Casper shared information found in the state brochure on open enrollment.

Highlights of the 2013–2014 audit report were given. Attention was given how the district addressed the areas of concern from 2012-13 audit and the direction the district will go with the suggestions made in the 2013-14 audit.

Mrs. Casper shared information/direction with some of the WASB resolutions that pertained to small rural schools.

Mrs. Casper stated that the district needs to move forward with updating board policies to keep compliant. Mr. Sleeter stated that the district just recently (2yrs)? purchased the service of updating board policies. Mrs. Casper was not aware and will investigate and bring information back to the board at the next meeting.

Motion by Ustianowski, seconded by Sleeter to approve the resolution to exceed revenue cap commencing with the 2015-2016 school year by an amount of \$700,000. Carried 7-0.

Motion by Strehlow, seconded by Wozniak to approve the resolution providing for a referendum election on the question of the approval of a resolution to exceed the district's revenue cap commencing with the 2015-16 school year by an amount of \$700,000. Carried 7-0.

Mr. Huisman presented the Principal's Report which included:

- past and upcoming events
- Hi-Q Team is currently in 3<sup>rd</sup> place
- January 30, 2015 is Military Night and Colonel Johnston will address the students as well as the guest speaker for Military Night. Colonel Johnston was Russell Bahrke's (a former Suring High School student) commanding officer in Vietnam
- Mikaela Reed was selected as Oconto County Reporter Student of the Month
- recognized the efforts of Mrs. Buettner, Mrs. Gerndt and Mrs. Stocki for their efforts in organizing the school Christmas activities

Mr. Huisman presented the Athletic Report. A highlight of the report was the data that was shared by Greg Lechleitner and Gary Regal regarding the 2008 boys basketball state team. The data included: 15 of the 16 players went on to college and 13 of 16 players had at least one parent graduate from Suring High School.

Wendy Wozniak presented information on the CESA 8 meeting she attended on January 8<sup>th</sup>. The focus was on the importance of communication between leaders and school board.

The next regular school board meeting will be February 11, 2015.

Items for future board consideration included:

- board policy updates
- elementary literacy update
- administrative contracts

Mrs. Casper, Mark Strehlow, Dennis Piepkorn and Cheryl Ustianowski will be attending the WASB convention this year.

Mr. Huisman stated that Suring student body had a tie with the softball/baseball mascots (hornets/griffins) so it will be up to Gillett to break that tie.

Mr. Sleeter presented a check for \$2,500 from the Suring/Mountain Youth Baseball to the Suring Softball/Baseball Co-op to be used for Suring's portion of the co-op.

PUBLIC INPUT – There was no public input at this time.

Motion by School, seconded by Strehlow to convene in Closed Session if approved by roll call vote of the Board. Roll Call Vote: Lundgren-Yes, Piepkorn-Yes, School-Yes, Sleeter-Yes, Strehlow-Yes, Ustianowski-Yes, Wozniak-Yes. Carried 7-0.

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

Motion by School, seconded by Sleeter to adjourn the Open Meeting. Carried 7-0.

Cheryl Ustianowski, Clerk

Time: 8:04 P.M.