

**REGULAR BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING  
SLINGER SCHOOL DISTRICT  
SLINGER, WISCONSIN  
November 25, 2024  
High School IMC**

**Routine Business:**

The meeting was called to order by President Roman Weninger at 7:00 PM in the High School IMC.

Members answering roll were: Roman Weninger, Ken Strupp, Gary Feltz, Cherie Rhodes, Jody Strupp, Brenda Lighthizer, and Heidi Lofy. Also present were administrators and directors: James Curler, Kristi Brooks, Karen Hug, Patrick Armstrong, Ben Frazer, Gail Recker, Phil Ourada, Dean Goneau, Joel Dziedzic, Griffin Glapa, Becky Schneider, and (17) seventeen in person guests.

Curler affirmed the public notice.

After review and discussion of the minutes presented, motion by Feltz, seconded by J Strupp, to approve the three (3) sets of minutes as presented. Motion carried.

Hug reviewed the highlights of the financial report and asked if there were any questions regarding the information presented. After discussion, there was a motion by Feltz, seconded by K Strupp, to dispense with the reading of the financial statement and approve as presented. Motion carried.

After discussion and clarifications of the voucher report, there was a motion by Rhodes, seconded by Lighthizer, to approve payroll check numbers 58890-58893 and payroll direct deposit numbers 901081544-901082334 totaling \$1,374,745.91 and A/P check numbers 144313 -144443, A/P ACH numbers 242500485-242500620, and wire transfers totaling \$1,626,625.46 (to include any voided transactions as presented). Motion carried.

**New Business:**

Public Comment and Question session was granted. Weninger reminded the audience of the Board's guidelines for this portion of the meeting.

Correspondence: Two letters of thank you to Cherie Rhodes for her service to the community from : Daren Sievers and Matt Wolfert

Superintendent's Update:

- Technology Dept is working on a way to amplify the audio experience in the IMC for attendees.
- Welcome interim/returning Middle School Principal, Dean Goneau.
- Football – largest crowd in Camp Randall Stadium for High School playoffs. Congrats to our OWLS!

Curler presented an administrative recommendation to accept a letter of resignation from School Board Member, Cherie Rhodes. Her last day will be December 1st, 2024. Her colleagues, staff, and attending community members thanked her for her 13 years of service and dedication to the District and wish her luck in her future endeavors. Motion by K Strupp, seconded by J Strupp, to accept the letter of resignation as presented. Motion carried.

Curler presented on the district's current enrollment numbers. Resident students are down by 48, open enrollment is up by 15, netting out a decrease of 33 overall (1%). Declining enrollment will remain on the radar as birth rates in the state of Wisconsin are also declining.

Brooks presented on the district's recently released school report cards, Forward test data, and ACT data. Some changes were made at the state level. Very positive results on all topics. #7 District in Wisconsin in the Niche report of best schools. We have a lot to be proud of.

Brooks presented a second reading on policy 345.1 Rule 2, High School Class Rank at the End of Grade Eleven as this is a new rule per state statute 118.58, which is the Wisconsin Guaranteed Admission Program. Motion by Lighthizer, seconded by Feltz, to accept the second reading of policy 345.1 Rule 2 as presented. Motion carried.

Curler presented a change to policy 683, Inventories/Asset Management. The change would reflect a change to the district's capital asset threshold from \$2,500 to \$10,000. This change comes from a recent change to the Federal Uniform Grant Guidance (UGG) effective 10/01/2024 and approval of the district's audit firm. The placed-in-service date would be December 1<sup>st</sup>, 2024. Motion by Rhodes, seconded Lofy, to accept the revision to policy 683 as presented. Motion carried.

Brooks presented an administrative recommendation to approve the 2025-26 school year calendar with consideration to the revisions previously discussed in the October regular board of education meeting as well as the November HR committee meeting. After further discussion, motion by K Strupp, seconded by Lighthizer, to accept the 2025-26 school year calendar as presented. Motion carried.

Curler and Frazer presented an administrative recommendation to approve a capital project that would resolve a dust collection issue in the technology education area of the High School. This recommendation is a result of previous discussions and further investigation into the replacement options. After further discussion, motion by K Strupp, seconded by J Strupp, to accept the \$357,000 bid from Hastings on the capital project (with an additional \$5,000 for the pad) as presented. Motion carried.

The Board to seek interim school board clerk to fill the vacancy by Rhodes from December to May when the assignment will be up for vote at the normal time frame. Motion by Rhodes, seconded by J Strupp, to appoint Lighthizer to the Board Clerk position for the term presented. Motion carried.

Public Comment and Question session was granted.

**Updated future meeting dates confirmed:**

December 3 <sup>rd</sup>	Interview Team for Asst. Superintendent	TBD
December 16 <sup>th</sup>	Curriculum Committee Meeting	6:00 PM
December 16 <sup>th</sup>	Human Resource Committee Meeting	Immediately following Curr. Mtg.
December 16 <sup>th</sup>	Regular Board Meeting	7:00 PM
January 22 <sup>nd</sup>	WASB State Convention	All Day
January 27 <sup>th</sup>	Regular Board Meeting	7:00 PM

Motion by Rhodes, seconded by J Strupp, to adjourn the meeting at 7:54 PM. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,  
Cherie Rhodes, Clerk