

**Beaver Dam Unified School District  
Board of Education Minutes**

**March 15, 2010**

The regular meeting of the Beaver Dam Unified School District Board of Education was held on the above date at the Educational Service Center. The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by President, Bev Beal-Loeck. Board members present were Bev Beal-Loeck, Kim Darst, Nate Dassler, Dan Feuling, Jean Hill, Marge Jorgensen, Lisa Panzer, and Joanne Tyjeski. Board members absent were Gary Spielman. Nate Dassler left at 8:50 p.m.

President, Ms. Beal-Loeck, led in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Ms. Beal-Loeck apologized for the late start of the meeting and explained there was a prior meeting.

Jorgensen moved, Darst seconded, to adopt the minutes of the regular meeting on February 15, 2010, and special meetings on February 17, and March 1, 2010

The motion was adopted by unanimous vote.

Ms. Beal-Loeck welcomed visitors.

Members of the public requested to participate in the public comment session. Ms. Beal-Loeck read the requirements of public participation. Pastor Mark Molldrem of First Lutheran Church thanked the board for their service and the important work they do. He invited all board members to attend the upcoming Leadercast presentation. Girl's High School Hockey players Stacy Rauscher, Kelsey Brooks, Annie Ulrickson, Katie Ehlenfeldt, Maddie Lockwood, and Ericka Janz encouraged the board to fund the Girl's High School Hockey program.

Jorgensen, at the request of the President, announced the board may move into closed session following the regular meeting in accordance with State Statute 19.85 (1) (c) to discuss the employment, promotion, compensation, or performance evaluation data of any public employee over which the governmental body has jurisdiction or exercises responsibility. The meeting will reconvene into open session for the possible transaction of business and adjournment.

Jorgensen moved, Tyjeski seconded, to adopt the agenda as presented.

The motion was adopted by unanimous vote.

Dr. Don Childs, Superintendent, presented a recommendation to fund the Girl's High School Hockey program at a cost of \$14,400 and on the same basis as the boy's hockey program is operated. He explained that the success of program in terms of level of participation warrants and justifies approval of the program.

Jorgensen moved, Hill seconded, to approve the Girl's High School Cooperative Hockey team with Randolph and Wayland for the 2010-11 and 2011-2012 school years and to approve the funding of such program on the same model as the boy's high school hockey team to maintain funding equity between the girl's and boy's program.

The motion was adopted by the following vote: *Ayes* – Darst, Dassler, Feuling, Hill, Jorgensen, Panzer, Tyjeski, and Beal-Loeck. *Nayes* - None.

Dr. Childs presented a recommendation to approve a High School Spanish trip to Costa Rica. He publicly cautioned that the trip is set for June 2011 and, since the dates are not yet determined, graduation could fall during the time of the trip.

Hill moved, Jorgensen seconded, to approve the June trip to Costa Rica by students in the high school Spanish program, contingent upon appropriate chaperoning arrangements approved by the superintendent. It is understood that the district will incur no cost for any reason with respect this trip.

The motion was adopted by unanimous vote.

Dr. Childs presented a request for the fifth grade students from South Beaver Dam, Wilson, and Lincoln Elementary schools to take their annual overnight trip to the MacKenzie Center in Poynette.

Tyjeski moved, Jorgensen seconded, to approve the overnight trip to the MacKenize Environmental Center for the fifth-grade students of Lincoln, South Beaver Dam and Wilson elementary schools in April, subject to appropriate chaperoning arrangements approved by the superintendent.

The motion was adopted by unanimous vote.

Dr. Childs presented a request for the Middle School Cognitively Disabled Students (CDS) class to take an overnight camping trip to Willow Mills Campground in Rio on June 7 and 8. He explained it is an important opportunity for the students to learn some critical life and leisure skills.

Panzer moved, Tyjeski seconded, to approve an overnight camping trip on June 7 and 8 for the Middle School CDS class, subject to appropriate chaperoning arrangements approved by the superintendent.

The motion was adopted by unanimous vote.

Dr. Childs presented a proposal to renew a commitment of resources for Reading Recovery training and support in the amount of \$1,750 per teacher for a total of \$12,250.

Hill Moved, Darst seconded, to approve renewal of the 66.03 Reading Recovery Consortium agreement for 2010-11 and the expenditure of up to \$12,250 for training and support.

The motion was adopted by the following vote: *Ayes* – Dassler, Feuling, Hill, Jorgensen, Panzer, Tyjeski, Beal-Loeck, and Darst. *Nayes* - None.

Dr. Childs presented a recommendation to approve the Youth Options requests for Fall 2010. He explained that all of them may not occur due to schedules and they may change their mind.

There was discussion regarding High School course offerings, course content, and credit limits for Youth Option courses.

Tyjeski moved, Darst seconded, to approve the Youth Options requests for the Fall term of 2011 as presented.

The motion was adopted by the following vote: *Ayes* – Feuling, Hill, Jorgensen, Panzer, Tyjeski, Beal-Loeck, Darst, and Dassler. *Nayes* - None.

Dr. Childs presented a recommendation to approve 59 open enrollment applications into the district and 44 applications to open enroll out of the district, as well as denial of one high-needs special education opt-in since the district does not have the program, space or staff to accommodate the request. He shared that 9 of the students applying to leave the district currently attend the district.

There was discussion regarding 4 year-old kindergarten requirements and overcrowding possibilities, re-application requirements, and school assignments.

Hill moved, Jorgensen seconded, to approve 59 open-enrollment-in requests for 2010-11; 44 open-enrollment-out requests and one denial due to no staffing or space appropriate to the special needs of the child.

The motion was adopted by unanimous vote.

Mr. Steve Vessey, Director of Human Resources, presented a preliminary staffing plan for the 2010-11 school year and explained the development process.

Mr. Andrew Sarnow, Director of Business Services, requested approval for allocation of budgets for sites as previously presented. He explained that using enrollment to drive staffing decisions has a positive affect on the budget. A reduction of \$100K was made district wide to reflect enrollment changes. An increase of \$10K in High School athletics is reflected in the change.

Panzer moved, Hill seconded, to approve the allocations presented by the Director of Business Services per the memo to the board of education dated February 24, 2010 showing a difference of approximately \$100K over prior year. The request will be made for the 2010-11 budget cycle.

The motion was adopted by the following vote: *Ayes* – Hill, Jorgensen, Panzer, Tyjeski, Beal-Loeck, Darst, Dassler, and Feuling. *Nayes* - None.

Ms. Jorgensen, Chairperson of the Beaver Dam Education Association (BDEA) Negotiations Committee reported they continue to negotiate and there is no signed agreement yet. The next meeting is a scheduled for March 18<sup>th</sup>.

Ms. Jorgensen, Chairperson of the Beaver Dam Support Staff Association (BDSSA) Negotiations Committee reported the BDSSA is meeting with their membership on proposed items. The next large meeting group is scheduled to for April 1<sup>st</sup>.

There were no resignations or retirements.

Panzer moved, Hill seconded, to approve the following leave of absence requests: Carmen Scott-Speech and Language Teacher–Prairie View Elementary School(Medical Leave beginning 5/10/10); Kimberly Westra–2<sup>nd</sup> Grade Teacher–Jefferson Elementary School(Medical Leave 5/17/10–end of 2009-10 school year); and Laurie Ebert–1<sup>st</sup> Grade Teacher–Jefferson Elementary School(Medical Leave 9/8/10-11/1/10).

The motion was adopted by unanimous vote.

Darst moved, Hill seconded, to approve the following appointments: Cathy Kuhl–Regular Education Teacher Assistant–Jefferson Elementary School and Melissa Lamers–4<sup>th</sup> Grade Teacher–Washington Elementary School (BA, Step 1)(LTE–69 days).

The motion was adopted by the following vote: *Ayes* – Jorgensen, Panzer, Tyjeski, Beal-Loeck, Darst, Dassler, Feuling, and Hill. *Nayes* - None.

Panzer moved, Tyjeski seconded, to issue final notices of non-renewal to the following limited term employees: Melissa Lamers–4<sup>th</sup> Grade Teacher–Washington Elementary School (BA, Step 1)(LTE–69 days).

The motion was adopted by unanimous vote.

Ms. Beal-Loeck announced that Sandra Key, Joanne Tyjeski, and Steve Vessey will serve as Board Canvassers for the April 6, 2010 election, with Lila Repinski as an alternate.

Hill moved, Darst seconded, to approve and adopt the following revised policies: 361.2, Access to Electronic Information Resources; 361.2-Rule, Access to On-line Electronic Information; 363, Computer Security; and 673-Rule, Payment Procedures and Guidelines.

There was discussion regarding the process for tracking items less than \$5,000 in value.

The motion was adopted by unanimous vote.

Dassler moved, Hill seconded, to approve the payment of financial claims (Voucher #32, #33, #34, and #35, District Credit Card, Insurance, Net Payroll, Coaches Net Payroll, Payroll Related Voucher, Payroll Taxes, WI Retirement, and WEA Trust Advantage for a total of \$3,819,206.47 (A listing of these vouchers can be found in the Accounts Payable Check Register.)

The motion was adopted by the following vote: *Ayes* – Panzer, Tyjeski, Beal-Loeck, Darst, Dassler, Feuling, Hill, and Jorgensen. *Nayes* - None.

Jorgensen moved, Hill seconded, to move into closed session following the regular meeting in accordance with State Statute 19.85 (1) (c) to discuss the employment, promotion, compensation, or performance evaluation data of any public employee over which the governmental body has jurisdiction or exercises responsibility. The meeting will reconvene into open session for the possible transaction of business and adjournment.

The motion was adopted by the following vote: *Ayes* – Tyjeski, Beal-Loeck, Darst, Dassler, Feuling, Hill, Jorgensen, and Panzer. *Nayes* - None.

