

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING  
OF THE NEW LONDON BOARD OF EDUCATION  
AT THE DISTRICT ADMINISTRATION BUILDING  
Monday, August 14, 2023**

**PRESENT:** K. Batten, J. Heideman M. Grossman, C. Martinson, H. Schweitzer, and T. Wegner.  
**EXCUSED:** M. Wilz.

**I. VISITORS AND COMMUNICATION (PUBLIC FORUM)**

- Bill Krostue, N3529 Sunset Lane, New London: Bill explained that he provided feedback on the Continuous Improvement Strategic Plan via email; he asked that the Board engage the community regarding their feedback when the agenda item is presented.

**II. CALL TO ORDER AND ESTABLISHMENT OF QUORUM**

The meeting was called to order at 6:03 p.m. by C. Martinson, President. A quorum was established. The pledge of allegiance was led by C. Martinson. C. Martinson reviewed the Board Norms.

C. Martinson suggested that item VII, D be moved to VII, G as the agenda item involves the Continuous Improvement Strategic Plan which is included later on the agenda. The Board agreed.

**III. CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS**

It was moved by T. Wegner and seconded by K. Batten to approve the following consent agenda items:

- Minutes of the Regular Board of Education Meeting of Monday, July 10, 2023
- Minutes of the Special Board of Education Meeting of Monday, July 24, 2023

Motion carried.

**IV. REPORTS**

The calendar and director reports were reviewed. S. Bleck explained that nominations can now be submitted for the Wisconsin Association of School Boards Business Honor Roll. The Board agreed that the district should nominate Plach Motors for this award.

Any suggestions for a WASB resolution should be submitted to S. Bleck by August 22. The proposals will be reviewed at the August 28 Board meeting.

**V. VOUCHERS/RECEIPTS**

J. Marquardt reviewed the vouchers and receipts. A motion was made by J. Heideman and seconded by H. Schweitzer to approve the expenditures in the amount of \$1,387,416.96 as per list of August 10, 2023. Motion carried on a roll call vote of 6-0.

C. Martinson noted receipts from the receipt register of August 10, 2023, in the amount of \$471,484.75.

**VI. UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

**VII. NEW BUSINESS**

**A. Budget Hearing Date**

J. Marquardt explained that the budget hearing date will be September 11, 2023, at 6:00 p.m. prior to the Regular Board of Education meeting.

**B. Review and Potential Approval of 2023-24 Co-Curricular Compensation Schedules**

It was moved by M. Grossman and seconded by H. Schweitzer to approve the 2023-24 co-curricular schedule increases as presented. Motion carried on a roll call vote of 6-0.

**C. Review and Potential Approval of Additional Wage Increase for Certified Staff**

It was moved by T. Wegner and seconded by M. Grossman to approve the additional wage increase for certified staff as presented. Motion carried on a roll call vote of 6-0.

**E. Review and Potential Approval of ESSER Funds Use**

It was moved by J. Heideman and seconded by K. Batten to approve the purchase of student and staff devices utilizing ESSER III funds as presented. Motion carried on a roll call vote of 6-0.

**F. Review of Continuous Improvement Strategic Plan Feedback**

The Board reviewed the feedback for the Continuous Improvement Strategic Plan. Community feedback will be reviewed and considered as the plan is implemented and monitored.

**G. Review and Potential Approval of Continuous Improvement Strategic Plan**

It was moved by M. Grossman and seconded by T. Wegner to approve the Continuous Improvement Strategic Plan as presented. Motion carried on a roll call vote of 5-0, with C. Martinson abstaining.

**D. Review and Potential Approval of 2023-2024 Employee Handbook / Addendums**

It was moved by J. Heideman and seconded by M. Grossman to approve the 2023-2024 Employee Handbook and Addendums, with a change in the Employee Handbook Section 9.1 Lunch Period to change "assigned" to "volunteer" per state statute. Motion carried.

**VIII. CLOSED SESSION**

It was moved by K. Batten and seconded by H. Schweitzer to enter into closed session pursuant to Wisconsin State Statutes as listed on the agenda at 8:33 p.m. Motion carried on a roll call vote of 6-0.

It was moved by M. Grossman and seconded by K. Batten to enter open session at 9:30 p.m. Motion carried.

**IX. RECONVENE IN OPEN SESSION TO TAKE ANY NECESSARY ACTION ON CLOSED SESSION ITEMS**

**A. Resignation of Personnel**

It was moved by M. Grossman and seconded by J. Heideman to accept the resignations of the following personnel:

- Jennifer Bruce, Associate Principal, High School
- Laurie Fischer, Bus Driver, District
- Connie Laughlin, Food Service Bookkeeper, District (effective 10/5)
- Janae Peterson, Vocal Music, Intermediate/Middle School
- Elizabeth Stickle, Nursing Assistant for Student, Intermediate/Middle School

Motion carried.

**B. Employment of Personnel**

It was moved by M. Grossman and seconded by H. Schweitzer to approve the employment of the following personnel:

- Elizabeth Iribarren, 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Language Arts, Middle School
- Kelly Kolasinski, Elementary Teacher, Readfield
- Alishia Krueger, Occupational Therapist, District
- Julia Martell, 7<sup>th</sup> Grade Language Arts, Middle School
- Adam Way, Special Ed, Parkview
- Alyssa Way, Elementary Teacher, Parkview
- Jacob Winters, 6<sup>th</sup> Grade Social Studies, Middle School
- Carrie Arndt, Educational Assistant, High School
- Alissa Beyer, Educational Assistant, Intermediate/Middle School
- April Bonikowske, Educational Assistant, High School
- Hailee Dey, Educational Assistant, Readfield
- Hailey Griffin, Educational Assistant, Intermediate/Middle School
- Krystal Neely, Educational Assistant, Sugar Bush
- Amanda Rathje, Educational Assistant, High School
- Colleen Schertz, Educational Assistant, Sugar Bush
- Jill Stern, Educational Assistant, Intermediate/Middle School
- Kim Young, Educational Assistant, Parkview
- Torie Zirbel, Educational Assistant, Intermediate/Middle School

Motion carried.

It was moved by T. Wegner and seconded by K. Batten to approve the employment of the co-curricular contracts as presented. Motion carried.

**X. ADJOURNMENT**

A motion was made by J. Heideman and seconded by H. Schweitzer to adjourn the meeting at 9:33 p.m. Motion carried.

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Katie Batten, Clerk