

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING  
OF THE NEW LONDON BOARD OF EDUCATION  
at the District Administration Building  
Monday, October 11, 2021**

**PRESENT:** K. Batten, P. Bosquez, M. Grossman, J. Heideman, C. Martinson, T. Ruckdashel, and T. Wegner.

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

- Roseanne Sanderfoot, N5462 Obertin Road, New London, was present and explained that she was shocked to learn about the request for Federal assistance for threats and violence against school board members. Some of the enforcements to silence parents are a violation of free speech. She thanked the New London School Board for listening to parents, giving attention to their concerns, and trying to honor their wishes. She thanked the parents for coming forward with their concerns for their students.
- Travis Feldkamp, 534 Cattail Ct., New London, was present and inquired as to how much notice would the district give parents if they reinstated masking.
- Monica Ash, E8959 Broken Branch Lane, New London, was present and thanked the Board for offering parent choice. She explained her negative experience with receiving the COVID-19 vaccine, and she again thanked the Board for offering choice.
- Holly Schweitzer, W10344 Schweitzer Rd., New London, was present and read a letter from her daughter, Paisley Schweitzer, as to her school year experience this year and during the COVID pandemic. Holly expressed concern for potential changes in requirements from current protocol.
- Kelly Baker, N5384 Buelow Road, New London, was present and expressed concerns about the long-term impact of COVID-19 on the children; she distributed handouts to the Board.

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

The meeting was called to order at 6:24 p.m. by T. Wegner, President. A quorum was established. The Pledge of Allegiance was led by T. Wegner, President.

J. Heideman requested, and the Board agreed, to move agenda item VIII New Business, D COVID-19 Case Monitoring prior to VIII A.

**III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

**A. Minutes of the Regular Meeting of Monday, September 13, 2021**

It was moved by J. Heideman and seconded by M. Grossman to approve the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of Monday, September 13, 2021. Motion carried.

**B. Minutes of the Special Meeting of Monday, September 27, 2021**

It was moved by P. Bosquez and seconded by K. Batten to approve the Minutes of the Special Meeting of Monday, September 27, 2021. Motion carried.

**IV. REPORTS**

The calendar and director reports were reviewed. The November 11 Veteran's Day Program will be held at 9:00 a.m. at the Intermediate/Middle School gymnasium.

The Board recognized the students highlighted in September's monthly celebrations.

B. Yerkey presented highlights, practices, and actions that support the School District of New London's Guiding Principle of ***Meeting the needs of the future.***

The Third Friday pupil count was reviewed.

**V. VOUCHERS/RECEIPTS**

J. Marquardt reviewed the vouchers and receipts. A motion was made by J. Heideman and seconded by M. Grossman to approve the expenditures in the amount of \$1,540,895.64 as per list of October 6, 2021. Motion carried on a roll call vote of 7-0.

T. Wegner noted receipts from the receipt register of October 6, 2021, in the amount of \$2,498,338.33.

**VI. MONITORING REPORTS**

**A. Summer School Monitoring Report**

D. Sievert reviewed the summer school monitoring report.

**VII. UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

**VIII. NEW BUSINESS**

**D. COVID-19 Case Monitoring**

S. Bleck reviewed the number of district COVID-19 cases. The Board addressed the question about the timeframe for notifying families if the decision was made to require masking. If staffing were to be an issue, the decision may require immediate action, but any long-standing change of delivery would require a board decision. That would at least be a few days to fulfill the public posting requirements.

J. Heideman explained that if the COVID numbers continue going down, he will be recommending elimination of masking on the bus. This will be discussed at the October Special Board of Education meeting.

**A. Review and Approval of Early Graduation Requests**

It was moved by P. Bosquez and seconded by K. Batten to approve the early graduation requests as presented. Motion carried.

**B. Review and Approval of Resolution Authorizing A Taxable Tax and Revenue Anticipation Promissory Note for Cash Flow Purposes In An Amount Not To Exceed \$2,250,000**

It was moved by M. Grossman and seconded by J. Heideman to approve the Resolution authorizing a Taxable Tax and Revenue Anticipation Promissory Note for Cash Flow Purposes in an amount not to exceed \$2,250,000. Motion carried on a roll call vote of 7-0.

**C. Review and Approval to Award a Line of Credit to First State Bank in the Amount Not to Exceed \$2,250,000**

It was moved by J. Heideman and seconded by P. Bosquez to award a line of credit to First State Bank in the amount not to exceed \$2,250,000. Motion carried on a roll call vote of 7-0.

**IX. CLOSED SESSION**

It was moved by M. Grossman and seconded by T. Ruckdashel to enter into closed session pursuant to Wisconsin State Statutes as listed on the agenda at 7:48 p.m. Motion carried on a roll call vote of 7-0.

It was moved by C. Martinson and seconded by P. Bosquez to enter open session at 8:14 p.m. Motion carried.

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

It was moved by P. Bosquez and seconded by T. Ruckdashel to grant the Leave of Absence Request for the 2021-22 school year. Motion carried.

**A. Resignation of Personnel**

It was moved by M. Grossman and seconded by K. Batten to accept the resignation of:  
Josh Danke  
Maintenance

Motion carried.

**B. Employment of Personnel**

It was moved by T. Ruckdashel and seconded by P. Bosquez to approve the following:  
Anna Doemel  
Educational Assistant

Logan Pethke  
Maintenance

Motion carried.

It was moved by M. Grossman and seconded by P. Bosquez to approve the following:  
Kristi Tessen  
Bus Driver

Motion carried.

**XI. ADJOURNMENT**

A motion was made by J. Heideman and seconded by K. Batten to adjourn the meeting at 8:17 p.m. Motion carried.

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Tina Ruckdashel, Clerk