

West Bend – Mallard Community School  
Board of Directors Regular Meeting  
Tuesday, October 17, 2017  
West Bend School – Conference Room

### Minutes

The regular meeting was called to order at 5:00 pm by President John Zaugg. The following were present; Dawn Schmidt, Jillian Hansen, Mike Thatcher, Dave Bruellman, Chris Montag and Nicole Myer.

Visitors: Amanda Schmidt, Paul Peppmeier, Brian Rodemeyer, Kathy Roethler, Jennifer Calles-Ramirez, Sarah Fehr and Angie Schmidt.

#### Educational News:

Paul Peppmeier reported that Fall sports is winding down and the Winter activities will be starting soon. We still need a HS Asst Boys Basketball Coach. The HS play will be performed on October 21. Students are enjoying the new technology that was recently purchased.

Brian Rodemeyer informed the board that student conferences will be on October 30 and November 2. The Elementary recently purchased some virtual equipment with the money they won from Campbell's Soup. We will be purchasing the Lexia Reading Program for the elementary building. This program helps teachers and students to personalize their own learning paths through assessments and personalized instruction.

Amanda Schmidt gave an update on the construction project. The Pre School students will be receiving their own personal update on the building. Enrollment is down compared to last year. The curb and gutter project scheduled for this fall will be delayed until the Spring. The PA Gaming Development Corp recently took a tour of the various awards around the county. The group enjoyed the technology demonstration that was given to them at the HS.

Board members were reminded of the Board Convention.

It was moved by Dawn Schmidt to approve the agenda. Seconded by Dave Bruellman. All ayes, motion carried unanimously.

It was moved by Jillian Hansen to approve the minutes and warrants as submitted. Seconded by Dave Bruellman. All ayes, motion carried unanimously.

It was moved by Chris Montag to approve the financial reports as presented. Seconded by Nicole Myer. All ayes, motion carried unanimously.

Discussion was held on purchasing another 7-9 passenger vehicle. Superintendent Schmidt went over the options that WB Ford gave us. Pros and Cons were discussed. It was moved by

Mike Thatcher to purchase a vehicle model and make to be determined after some clarification is received. Seconded by Chris Montag. All ayes, motion carried unanimously.

First Reading of Board Policies 302.2, 303.3, 405.4, 405.9, 410.2, 505.2 and 603.2.

It was moved by Dave Bruellman to delete the following policies; 406.1 – 406.4, 406.6, 412.4 and 706.2. Seconded by Dawn Schmidt. All ayes, motion carried unanimously. These policies are being eliminated due to the new regulations of collective bargaining.

The past five years the board has had a discussion regarding the parameters set for the Mallard facility in October after certified enrollment. There are eight parameters that the board would look at each year. This year the main focus is on enrollment. After completing the 2017 Certified Enrollment report with the Department of Education it is determined that our enrollment dropped over 30 students. This is very concerning as it equates to over \$200,000. There are many factors that cause the enrollment decline such as families that moved, graduating more students than incoming kindergarten students and more learning options such as home school and virtual academies. Superintendent Schmidt gave some options to the board in moving forward in making an informed decision regarding the Mallard facility. It was determined that a public meeting will be held in both West Bend and Mallard to gather information from the staff, parents and general public. These meetings will be set in the near future.

It was moved by Dave Bruellman to approve the contracts; Kyle Bartell for MS Boys Basketball, LaRae Montag and Raiann Fehr as part time para educators. Seconded by Dave Bruellman. All ayes, motion carried unanimously.

At 6:36 pm it was moved by Dave Bruellman to adjourn.

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John Zaugg, President

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Carla Montag, Secretary