

**MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL MEETING
OF THE NEW LONDON BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING
Monday, May 23, 2011**

PRESENT: J. Faucher, J. Gorges, J. Michels, C. Neely, V. Schlais, K. Schroeder, and K. Steckbauer.

I. CALL TO ORDER AND ESTABLISHMENT OF QUORUM

The meeting was called to order at 6:05 p.m. by K. Steckbauer, President. A quorum was established.

II. MONITORING REPORTS

A. Youth Risk Survey

Pupil Services Director Ann Christopherson reviewed the results of the latest Youth Risk Behavior Survey which was administered to high school students. An executive summary identified significant trends. The need to foster better parental involvement in addressing such concerns as cyberbullying and health-related issues was noted.

B. Special Populations Report

Pupil Services Director Ann Christopherson reviewed annual data. Of note was the success of GEDO II alternative ed program. Of the eight students in the program, six have successfully completed and have received their diplomas. The other two will complete this summer, capping a 100% success rate.

We have experienced an increase in special ed populations. Over half of the 74 referrals were 3 and 4 year olds. This is then linked to our 4-K programs and the philosophy of early intervention.

C. 4-Year-Old Kindergarten

The report indicated a very successful first year implementation of the program. The Community Collaborative approach is meeting expectations.

III. DISCUSSION ITEMS

A. 2011-12 School Calendar

A school calendar modification was shared that would reduce operational costs. It was determined that further exploration of the calendar was desired. The calendar will be brought to a future Board meeting for consideration.

IV. NEW BUSINESS

A. Approval of 2011-12 Fee Schedule

It was moved by V. Schlais and seconded by K. Schroeder to approve the 2011-12 fee schedule, with no increases. Motion carried.

B. Approval of 2011-12 Contract with Building Services' Group

It was moved by J. Faucher and seconded by C. Neely to approve the 2011-12 contract with Building Services Group. Motion carried on a roll call vote of 7-0.

V. CLOSED SESSION

It was moved by J. Gorges and seconded by K. Schroeder to enter into closed session pursuant to Wisconsin State Statutes as listed in the agenda at 7:32 p.m. Motion carried on a roll call vote of 7-0.

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

The Board reconvened in open session at 8:10 p.m.

A. Resignation of Personnel

It was moved by J. Gorges and seconded by K. Schroeder to accept the resignations of:

Edith Handschke (*retiring 8/12/11*)
Building Secretary, Readfield

Darcie Lehman (*retiring 7/31/11*)
Office Secretary, Middle School

Motion carried.

VII. ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by J. Gorges and seconded by K. Schroeder to adjourn the meeting at 8:12 p.m. Motion carried.

Virginia Schlais, Clerk