

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING
OF THE NEW LONDON BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING
Monday, October 11, 2010**

PRESENT: J. Faucher, J. Gorges, 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. VISITORS AND COMMUNICATION (PUBLIC FORUM)

A. Recognition of Cole Thompson, Winner of the Charlotte Bates Fenlon Memorial Award

On September 22, 2010, ten students from New London Middle School attended a writing workshop at Mosquito Hill with Wisconsin naturalist author, John Bates. Students from Appleton, Hortonville, New London and Shiocton School Districts participated. Each student created a photographic essay which tells a story, a thought, a question, an idea, or an emotional response to the photo or series of photos that they either took or saw when they were in their outdoor session at Mosquito Hill. These essays were submitted to a panel of judges who selected one piece of work from each school district to be presented at John Bates' public presentation. Cole Thompson was awarded this honor for New London. Cole Thompson was present and read his essay.

III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A. Minutes of the Regular Meeting of Monday, September 13, 2010

A motion was made by V. Schlais and seconded by C. Neely to approve the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of Monday, September 13, 2010. Motion carried.

B. Minutes of the Special Meeting of Monday, September 27, 2010

A motion was made by K. Schroeder and seconded by J. Gorges to approve the Minutes of the Special Meeting of Monday, September 27, 2010. Motion carried.

IV. REPORTS

Tanner Mastaw and Miranda Pittler were present and explained the upcoming musical, "You're a Good Man Charlie Brown" which will be held November 4, 5, and 6.

W. Fitzpatrick reported on the following:

- The first meeting of the W3 Forum was attended by Bill Fitzpatrick, Connie Neely, and Kim Jordan. They continue to work on ways to collaborate.
- The Director of Business Services position has been posted. Initial interviews will be held with various teams during the first week of November, reference checks will be done following the interviews, and a second round of interviews will be scheduled with the full Board late in November or early December.
- The District continues to collaborate with the City. They will partner to have student teams develop and propose billboard marketing for the City in order to update their billboards.
- The date for the Athletic Field Use meeting was to be held on October 13 but has been rescheduled to Wednesday, October 20, at 1:00 p.m. at the High School.

- There was an increase in the 3rd Friday count as a result of the 4-K program.

R. Yerkey explained the boiler replacement at the High School. He also explained that we are still awaiting the results of the Parkview mold situation.

This agenda item was moved up.

VI. MONITORING REPORTS

A. Annual Agriscience and F.F.A. Report

Jeff Meske was present and reviewed his annual report. Whitney Fuerst, F.F.A. Treasurer, was also present and reviewed the community service projects.

V. VOUCHERS/RECEIPTS

R. Yerkey reviewed the expenditures as attached to the agenda. Following discussion, a motion was made by J. Gorges and seconded by J. Faucher to approve the expenditures in the amount of \$6,590,249.99 as per list of October 5, 2010. Motion carried on a roll call vote of 6-0.

K. Steckbauer noted amended receipts from the receipt register of October 5, 2010, in the amount of \$8,156,103.44.

VII. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

VIII. NEW BUSINESS

A. Approval of Requests for Early Graduation

It was moved by C. Neely and seconded by V. Schlais to approve the requests for early graduation as presented. Motion carried.

B. Approval of 2010-2012 Support Staff Contract

It was moved by K. Schroeder and seconded by J. Faucher to approve the 2010-2012 support staff contract. Motion carried on a roll call vote of 5-0, with J. Gorges abstaining.

C. Board Vacancy

At the special Board meeting on Monday, September 27, Terry Wegner resigned from the Board of Education. As per district Policy/Procedure 133, Policy Statement Section B states, "To fill a vacancy, the remaining members of the Board of Education will receive applications from eligible district residents for this position and will appoint, from the persons applying, the person considered best qualified to fill the unexpired term created by the vacancy." Terry Wegner's term would end April 2012.

The Board will accept applications from eligible district residents by 4:00 p.m. on Friday, November 5. The Board will review those applications in November and have an appointment for the December Board meeting. Interested community members are asked to submit their letter of interest to the District Office, c/o of the Board of Education, 901 West Washington Street, New London. Applicants should include in their letter of interest what benefits they can bring to the Board.

The Board asked that a thank-you letter be prepared and sent to Terry Wegner.

W. Fitzpatrick explained that there is one Board meeting scheduled for December which is the same night as the High School Music Department concert—December 13. It was the consensus of the Board to reschedule the December 13 meeting to December 20.

IX. ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by K. Schroeder and seconded by J. Gorges to adjourn the meeting at 6:37 p.m. Motion carried.

Virginia Schlais, Clerk