

**MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL MEETING  
OF THE NEW LONDON BOARD OF EDUCATION  
AT DISTRICT ADMINISTRATION BUILDING  
Wednesday, February 26, 2025**

**PRESENT:** K. Batten, M. Grossman, N. Grundy, J. Heideman, C. Martinson, H. Schweitzer, and M. Wilz.

**I. PUBLIC FORUM**

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

The meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m. by C. Martinson, President. A quorum was established. The pledge of allegiance was led by C. Martinson.

M. Grossman arrived at 6:02 p.m.

**III. New Business**

**A. Recognition of Tigerton Lumber Business Partner of Appreciation**

Sarah Morack from Tigerton Lumber accepted the thank-you plaque and said they always appreciate a chance to partner education and industry.

**B. Review and Potential Approval of School District of New London 2023-2028 Library Plan**

It was moved by M. Grossman and seconded by M. Wilz to approve the 2023-2028 Library Plan. Motion carried.

**C. Report Initiatives on Student Achievement and Growth**

The building principals reported on their strategies for continuing to improve student achievement and growth.

**D. First Reading to Review Revised Policies/Administrative Guidelines**

The policies/administrative guidelines were reviewed.

- 810 School-Community Relations Goals (Section Title)
- 811.1 District Parent Involvement
- 820 Public Information Program (Section Title)
- 822.1 Videotaping of Board of Education Meetings
- 823 Access to Public Records
- 830 Use of District Property; Accessibility of Facilities, Programs and Services (Section Title)
- 830 Use of School Facilities
- 831 Tobacco Use on School Premises
- 832 Weapons
- 840 Public Gifts to the Schools (Section Title)
- 840 Gifts to the School District
- 850 Public Solicitations on School Premises (Section Title)
- 851 Commercial and Promotional Sponsorship Deals
- 852 Distribution of Materials on School Premises
- 860 Visitors to the Schools (including presence on school property) (Section Title)
- 860 School Visitors
- 870 Public Complaints (Section Title)
- 870 Public Complaints
- 880 Relations with Community Organizations and Governmental Agencies (Section Title)
- 881.3 Sunday/Wednesday Night Activities for Public School Students
- 882.1 Police/School Liaison Program
- 882.11 Police/School Liaison Officer (Job Description)
- 890 Relations with Education Agencies (Section Title)

It was moved by M. Wilz and seconded by J. Heideman to remove the third paragraph in Policy 852,

Distribution of Materials on School Premises and present for second reading. Motion carried. Revised policies will be presented to the Board for final approval in March.

**E. Review of Director of Special Education/Pupil Services Employment Posting and Hiring Timeline**

S. Bleck reviewed the employment posting and hiring timeline for the Director of Pupil Services position.

**F. School Board Candidate Forum Question Development**

The Board reviewed the questions submitted by Board members. They asked that the questions be consolidated to one question regarding COVID shutdown, and one question for Title IX and biomales in girls sports. The Board asked that Scott Bleck choose two questions from the prior Board forum questions. There will be a total of 11 questions--6 questions from the current board members, 2 questions from the prior Board forum questions chosen by Scott Bleck; and 3 questions from the audience.

**IV. CLOSED SESSION**

It was moved by N. Grundy and seconded by H. Schweitzer to enter into closed session pursuant to Wisconsin State Statutes as listed on the agenda at 8:12 p.m. Motion carried on a roll call vote of 7-0.

It was moved by M. Wilz and seconded by H. Schweitzer to enter open session at 8:37 p.m. Motion carried.

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

**A. Resignation of Personnel**

It was moved by H. Schweitzer and seconded by M. Wilz to accept the resignation of Jessica Fietzer, Educational Assistant. Motion carried.

**VI. ADJOURNMENT**

It was moved by J. Heideman and seconded by M. Grossman to adjourn the meeting at 8:39 p.m. Motion carried.

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Katie Batten, Clerk