MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE NEW LONDON BOARD OF EDUCATION at the District Administration Building Monday, December 13, 2021

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

I. VISITORS AND COMMUNICATION (PUBLIC FORUM)

- Roseanne Sanderfoot, N5462 Obertin Road, New London expressed appreciation to the District Administrator for immediate follow up when she has made contact; also expressed appreciation to Kandi Martin for all of the information and transparency regarding the screeners/surveys that students are being asked to complete; Roseanne expressed her concerns, as well as concerns from parents, regarding the sexual nature of some of the Youth Risk Behavior survey questions as she feels some of the topics should be left up to the parent to discuss with their children verses through a survey; she urged the Board to proceed cautiously on these surveys
- Chris Peters, N5510 Madden Road, New London received a very broad email from Mr. Bleck on Friday regarding a threat to school/students; he requested more information about the situation, and Mr. Bleck requested he call him to discuss the issue

II. CALL TO ORDER AND ESTABLISHMENT OF QUORUM

The meeting was called to order at 6:13 p.m. by T. Wegner, President. A quorum was established. The Pledge of Allegiance was led by T. Wegner, President.

III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A. Minutes of the Regular Meeting of Monday, November 8, 2021

It was moved by J. Heideman and seconded by P. Bosquez to approve the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of Monday, November 8, 2021. Motion carried.

B. Minutes of the Special Meeting of Monday, November 22, 2021

It was moved by P. Bosquez and seconded by K. Batten to approve the Minutes of the Special Meeting of Monday, November 22, 2021. Motion carried.

IV. REPORTS

The calendar and director reports were reviewed.

C. Martinson asked K. Martin her opinion on the concerns brought forward in public forum regarding the Youth Risk Behavior Survey. K. Martin explained that the Youth Risk Behavior survey is required by the Department of Public Instruction, so not participating in the survey would be a Board decision. K. Batten requested including the link to the survey information in the registration process so parents can get information about the survey at the time they are considering whether to opt out.

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

K. Grable, Sugar Bush Elementary Principal, presented highlights, practices, and actions that support the School District of New London's Guiding Principles of **establish and maintain school, family, community partnerships** and **ensure that students master the essential curriculum**."

V. VOUCHERS/RECEIPTS

J. Marquardt reviewed the vouchers and receipts. A motion was made by J. Heideman and seconded by P. Bosquez to approve the expenditures in the amount of \$2,953,544.22 as per list of December 9, 2021. Motion carried on a roll call vote of 7-0.

T. Wegner noted receipts from the receipt register of December 9, 2021, in the amount of \$6,191,397.43.

VI. MONITORING REPORTS

VII. <u>UNFINISHED BUSINESS</u>

T. Wegner reminded Board members to complete the District Administrator evaluation by Friday, December 17.

VIII. NEW BUSINESS

A. 2021-2022 Fall Co-Curricular Activities Report

Phil Sloma reviewed the fall co-curricular activities report.

B. Review of 2022 WASB Resolutions

S. Bleck reviewed the 2022 WASB resolutions.

C. Review and Potential Approval of Act 143 School Safety Drills for 2021

It was moved by P. Bosquez and seconded by M. Grossman to approve the Act 143 School Safety Drills for 2021. Motion carried.

D. Review and Potential Approval of Automotive Program Pilot with Rawhide

D. Sievert explained the automotive program pilot with Rawhide. C. Martinson asked that the district still look into providing its own program. The Facilities Committee will begin these discussions, and Mr. Bleck was asked to gauge interest in the program with other districts in the area.

It was moved by P. Bosquez and seconded by J. Heideman to support a High School automotive tech pilot program with Rawhide Youth Services for the 2022-2023 academic year. Motion carried.

E. Review and Potential Approval of High School Course Description Guide

It was moved by M. Grossman and seconded by K. Batten to approve the High School Course Description Guide for 2022-2023. Motion carried.

F. WASB Board Development Evaluation/Reflection Tool

It was moved by M. Grossman and seconded by P. Bosquez to utilize the WASB Board development evaluation/reflection tool for the 2021-22 Board evaluation process. Motion carried.

G. Approval to Allow Remote Board Participation Via Technology During Closed Session (Policy 188)

No motion necessary as T. Ruckdashel will not participate virtually in Closed Session.

IX. CLOSED SESSION

It was moved by K. Batten and seconded by J. Heideman to enter into closed session pursuant to Wisconsin State Statutes as listed on the agenda at 8:35 p.m. Motion carried on a roll call vote of 7-0.

It was moved by P. Bosquez and seconded by M. Grossman to approve the minutes of the November 8, 2021. Closed Session. Motion carried.

It was moved by C. Martinson and seconded by J. Heideman to enter open session at 8:41 p.m. Motion carried.

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

A. Employment of Personnel

It was moved by P. Bosquez and seconded by K. Batten to approve the following co-curricular contracts:

Earl Ruckdashel Wrestling-Middle School Coach

Jordan Krause Culture Club-High School Advisor (Starting 2nd Sem)

Margie Brown Spring Play Co-Director

Molly Brown Spring Play Co-Director

Motion carried.

XI. <u>ADJOURNMENT</u>

A motion was made by J. Heideman and seconded by M. Grossman to adjourn the meeting at 8:44 p.m. Motion carried.

Tina Ruckdashel, Clerk