

**WEST PRAIRIE COMMUNITY UNIT SCHOOL DISTRICT #103
BOARD OF EDUCATION
SPECIAL MEETING
WEST PRAIRIE MIDDLE SCHOOL
August 3, 2020
7:00 p.m.**

MINUTES

The West Prairie School District #103 Board of Education met on August 3, 2020, at 7:00 p.m., in a special meeting, at West Prairie Middle School. Board members present were: Lee Moore, Scott Vogler, Sherrie Weaver, Matt Zimmerman, Lisa Butterfield, Matt Mencil, and David Geltmacher. Members absent: none.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

The Board and audience stood and recited the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC:

Greg Phelps spoke to the board regarding the Return to School Plan and district communication. Jenna Reed stated her agreement with Mr. Phelps. Erin Phelps asked questions regarding athletics and the time between dismissal and practices. Crystal Wilson spoke to the board regarding the sharing of data and other information with parents. Joan Biswell spoke to the board regarding safety during in-person learning.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

School registration will be held on August 4 and 5, 2020 from 12:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. at all schools. Reminder to the public to participate in the 2020 Census.

APPROVAL OF THE RETURN TO SCHOOL PLAN:

Mencil moved and Weaver seconded the approval of the return to school plan as presented. Those members on roll call voting “aye”: Moore, Weaver, Zimmerman, Butterfield, Mencil, and Geltmacher. Nays: Vogler. The motion carried.

APPROVAL OF THE AMENDED 2020-2021 SCHOOL CALENDAR:

Vogler moved and Zimmerman seconded the approval of the amended 2020-2021 School Calendar. Those members on roll call voting “aye”: Moore, Vogler, Weaver, Zimmerman, Butterfield, Mencil, and Geltmacher. Nays: None. The motion carried.

APPROVAL OF PURCHASES RELATED TO THE RETURN TO SCHOOL PLAN:

Mencil moved and Geltmacher seconded the approval of the purchases related to the return to school plan. Those members on roll call voting “aye”: Moore, Vogler, Weaver, Zimmerman, Butterfield, Mencil, and Geltmacher. Nays: None. The motion carried.

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

Weaver moved and Geltmacher seconded to enter into executive session at 8:12 p.m. to consider the appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance, or dismissal of specific employees of the public body or legal counsel for the public body, including hearing testimony on a complaint lodged against an employee of the public body or against legal counsel for the public body to determine its validity. However, a meeting to consider an increase in compensation to a specific employee of a public body that is subject to the Local Government Wage Increase Transparency Act may not be closed and shall be open to the public and posted and held in accordance with the Act. 5 ILCS 120/2 (c) (1).

Those members on roll call voting “aye”: Moore, Vogler, Weaver, Zimmerman, Butterfield, Mencil, and Geltmacher. Nays: None. The motion carried.

RETURN TO OPEN SESSION:

Zimmerman moved and Mencil seconded to return to open session at 9:19 p.m. Those members on roll call voting “aye”: Moore, Vogler, Weaver, Zimmerman, Butterfield, Mencil, and Geltmacher. Nays: None. The motion carried.

EMPLOYMENT:

Zimmerman moved and Weaver seconded to approve Bethany Morath as long term substitute teacher assigned to WPHS STEM pending all required paperwork and background checks. Those members on roll call voting “aye”: Moore, Vogler, Weaver, Zimmerman, Butterfield, Mencil, and Geltmacher. Nays: None. The motion carried.

Mencil moved and Zimmerman seconded to approve Gracelyn Day (Hood) as a paraprofessional assigned to WPHS pending all required paperwork, licensure and background checks. Those members on roll call voting “aye”: Moore, Vogler, Weaver, Zimmerman, Butterfield, Mencil, and Geltmacher. Nays: None. The motion carried.

RESCIND EMPLOYMENT:

Vogler moved and Zimmerman seconded to rescind the offer of employment to Bill J. White as substitute bus driver effective immediately. Those members on roll call voting “aye”: Moore, Vogler, Weaver, Zimmerman, Butterfield, Mencil, and Geltmacher. Nays: None. The motion carried.

ADJOURN:

Zimmerman moved and Geltmacher seconded to adjourn at 9:24 p.m. Those members voting “aye”: Moore, Vogler, Weaver, Zimmerman, Butterfield, Mencil, and Geltmacher. Nays: None. The motion carried.

The next scheduled monthly meeting will be August 20, 2020 at 7:00 p.m. at West Prairie Middle School.

**APPROVED BY RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION
WEST PRAIRIE SCHOOL DISTRICT #103
McDonough, Hancock, Henderson Counties, Illinois on _____**

President

Secretary