

**WEST PRAIRIE COMMUNITY UNIT SCHOOL DISTRICT #103  
BOARD OF EDUCATION  
WEST PRAIRIE NORTH ELEMENTARY SCHOOL  
September 3, 2020  
7:00 p.m.**

**MINUTES**

The West Prairie School District #103 Board of Education met on September 3, 2020, at 7:00 p.m., in a regularly scheduled meeting, at West Prairie North Elementary. 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.

**ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

Superintendent Gradert announced that the Colchester Lions Club and the YMCA are working together to accommodate for afterschool care program. He also announced September 22, 2020 at 7:00 p.m. as the date of the Regional Board of School Trustees formal hearing for a detachment/annexation of property.

**COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC:**

There were no comments from the public.

**ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS:**

Superintendent Gradert reported that Graham and Hyde architects have issued the building permit and the work on the Middle School gym roof will start in October and should be completed in three weeks. He reported that the district has pulled back from the remote learning platform change and will continue to use the current platform. The district will continue to seek the platform that best fits the needs of the students and staff. He reminded the board of the hearing for the district budget will be September 17, 2020. Superintendent Gradert announced that IASB will hold a virtual summit for board members on November 20, 2020 with several online workshops for board member development. The district received the third tax installment payment.

Assistant Principal Hall reported the North Elementary has had some students return to in-person learning. There are fifteen to sixteen students engaging in full remote learning.

Principal Edholm reported that they have invited remote learners to come to the school for testing. There are about thirty remote learners at South Elementary. They have completed benchmarking and will analyze the data on the Remote Learning Planning Day.

**Principal Watson reported that more students have changed over to in-person learning.**

**Principal Cox reported that the high school held an introduction to clubs session for the students. A creative writing club and the drama club are two of the offerings this year. The high school will begin testing next week and the teachers will be using the Remote Learning Planning Day to create their student learning objectives and analyze MAP data.**

**Athletic Director Hall reported that the conference is working on scheduling and afterschool practices for fall sports have been allowed to begin following the same guidelines from the summer.**

**PLACE POLICIES ON SECOND READING AND ADOPT:**

**Vogler moved and Zimmerman seconded to place policies 2:150-AP, 2:20, 2:220-E9, 4:180, 4:180-AP3, 5:170-AP4, 6:20-AP, 7:40, 7:190, 7:190-AP2, 7:190-AP4, 7:190-AP5, 7:190-E2, 7:220-AP, 7:340, 7:340-AP1, 7:340-E1, 7:345, 7:345-AP, 7:345-E1, 7:345-AP, E2, 7:345-AP, E3 on second reading and adopt. Those members on roll call voting “aye”: Moore, Vogler, Weaver, Zimmerman, Butterfield, Mencil, and Geltmacher. Nays: None. The motion carried.**

**APPROVE THE RELOCATION OF MEMORIAL PLAQUE:**

**Weaver moved and Mencil seconded to approve the relocation of the Larry Beck memorial stone as presented. President Moore called for a voice vote. Those members voting “aye”: Moore, Vogler, Weaver, Zimmerman, Butterfield, Mencil, and Geltmacher. Nays: None. The motion carried.**

**BOARD OF EDUCATION STUDENT REPRESENTATIVE:**

**The board discussed the addition of a student representative to the board of education meetings. Discussion only.**

**EXECUTIVE SESSION:**

**Zimmerman moved and Mencil seconded to enter into executive session at 7:38 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:**

Weaver moved and Mencil seconded to return to open session at 8:22 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 Geltmacher seconded to approve the reassignment of Caleb Hall as Principal/Athletic Director as presented. Those members on roll call voting “aye”: Moore, Vogler, Weaver, Zimmerman, Butterfield, Mencil, and Geltmacher. Nays: None. The motion carried.

**ADJOURN:**

Weaver moved and Butterfield seconded to adjourn at 8:23 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 September 17, 2020 at 7:00 p.m. at West Prairie High School.

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

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**President**

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**Secretary**