



Prentice School District

Regular Board Meeting
November 19, 2024 - 7:00PM
Prentice High School LMC
Minutes

Call To Order, Pledge Of Allegiance and roll call present:, J. Isaacon, Blomberg, Adams, Pierson, Palmquist, Hueckman, Gladson and Erickson. Not present: Gruber

Also present: K. Isaacson and Crispell

Motion Blomberg, second Erickson to approve Oct 15th & Oct 29th Minutes Carried

Motion Erickson, second Palmquist to Approve Financial Report & Vouchers. Carried

Approve Financial Report/Vouchers

P/R CKS#	21289	21448	\$176,766.19
GEN CKS#	60952	61034	\$428,441.78
FED W/H FICA STATE W/H			\$59,348.53
STRS/WRS			<u>\$29,927.52</u>
<u>TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS</u>			\$694,484.02

Community Input: JS asking if meetings could be moved to Monday night instead of Tuesday because of sports. BS questioned where we are at with snow removal and the town. He also wondered why we don't remove snow ourselves? It was explained that the school doesn't have the equipment to do the job efficiently before buses and students arrive. This was discussed at length at last month's meeting. Community member brought up that she hadn't heard much about the referendum until the week before. The board let her know there were 3 separate mailings and 3 informational meetings held at the school. All of this information is on our website and facebook page. There was also a board member at most sporting events with informational handouts and at Progress Days a large table was set up.

School Liaison Update:

School is going smoothly. Concern with spring sports. Softball does not have enough girls to have a team. Track right now doesn't have a track to use and Coach Semon just resigned (he is now working in another district and can't get to practice in time). Concerned with not having a track for the spring 2025 for the athletes in Track. The board reassured him that we are continuing to raise money to finish the project as promised but the main grant only ended up covering approximately half due to all of the issues that were uncovered once the project got started. The board wants to do it correctly to WIAA standards so that the school can host meets in the future and sadly this is going to take more time and money.

DISCUSS & POSSIBLY TAKE ACTION

1. Register for WASB Education Convention Jan 22-24. Erickson, Adams will go. If anyone else wants to attend they need to talk to Keith by Friday.
2. Appoint Official WASB Delegate and Alternate Delegate to WASB Convention. Adams is the delegate and Erickson will be the alternate.
3. Notice of Spring Election. J. Isaacson- Somo, Gruber town of Ogema, Gladson town of Prentice.
4. Appoint Deputy Clerk for Spring Election. Blomberg will be deputy clerk for the spring election.
5. Motion Pierson, second Palmquist to accept the Resignation of Semon for Track Coach 2024-2025 season. Carried
6. Motion Blomberg, second Pierson to Approve Financial Agreement for Replacement Buses through Santander Bank. Carried. One opposed.
Discussion on buses: Gladson is not sure we should buy 2 buses and finance them. J. Isaacson said she heard community people say why don't we buy 1 bus and 1 van. School has 4 routes and would have 7 good buses if we purchased these. Discussion on when buses get washed and how often. Transportation director will need to implement this. Buses cost approx \$48K each. New buses were approx 120K.
7. Motion Erickson, second Gladson to accept the Rescission of Winning Bid for Land Parcel Lot 7 and Accept Next Highest Bid. Carried
8. Consider Strategic Plan: Mr. Crispell presented that Prentice School needs a Strategic Plan for us to have a successful future. The school is NOT closing. Crispell thinks we need to expedite this process to help the community feel involved in the processes of passing a referendum in April. This plan will involve Community, Board and Staff. Focus Areas: Academic goal: Curriculum and instruction. Financial Goal. Extracurriculars/Community Goal. Staff Goal. Facility and Maintenance Goals. Crispell went through each of these areas and objectives and goals for them. He would like to set up Google forms to get community input and work those into our objectives and goals. The board discussed having a 4 year strategic plan set up to coincide with our 4 year referendum that we plan to run in April again.
9. Consider Personnel Committee Members. Erickson, J. Isaacson, Hueckman said they were available. This committee would discuss positions and how the district can be creative in saving money.
10. Consider the Next Referendum Amount and Terms. Discussion took place about numbers. Many felt that it should stay the same 1.2 million for 4 years as this was pretty much bare minimum for us to function well, for staff and students, yet still being fiscally responsible to our tax payers.. The Donovan group might be a group to use for help in passing the April referendum . Blomberg

is going to reach out to the group out of Eau Claire that she spoke to in the spring that might be able to help or have some ideas.

Motion Adams, second Gladson to go to 1.2 million for 4 years. Carried

11. Consider the Referendum Committee . Board members, Community and Staff members. Gruber, Adams, Gladson will be on this committee. Staff and community will be invited to join.
12. Consider CPI Options from the Negotiations Committee. Discussion took place whether to give the teachers the extra 2% raise or wait and see if we pass in April. Motion Erickson, second Palmquist to table this discussion.
13. Consider Cash in Lieu & Insurance Options. Discussion took place on options. \$1000/\$2000 is an option board members are thinking, with a cash in lieu option.
Motion Erickson, second Palmquist to change our insurance option to \$1000/\$2000 deductible with \$10,000/\$4,400 cash in lieu option. Carried
14. Consider Snow Day Makeup Plans for 24-25. Adams read options for what to do with snow days.
First reading of policy.
15. Motion Erickson, second Pierson to Convene to closed session pursuant to Wis. Statutes 19.85
Carried Entered closed session 9:25pm
(1) (c). Specifically data related to:
 - a. Secretarial Job Description Review
 - b. Bookkeeper Job Description Review
 - c. Administrator Performance Review

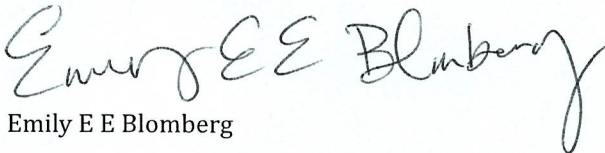
Motion Erickson, second Gladson to hire Deb S under a new title of District Secretary changing her to a 12 month employee and salary as budgeted for 24-25 school year.

16. New business

- a. Upcoming Meetings Monday Dec 16th 2024 7:00pm

Motion Blomberg, second Erickson to Adjourn , 10:56pm

Respectfully submitted


Emily E E Blomberg