

**MINUTES OF A SPECIAL MEETING  
OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION  
OF THE SCHOOL DISTRICT OF THE MENOMONIE AREA  
MENOMONIE, WISCONSIN  
NOVEMBER 23, 2020**

**I. OPENING ITEMS**

- A. Call to Order** – President David Styer called the meeting of the Board of Education of the School District of the Menomonie Area to order at 5:31 p.m. on Monday, November 23, 2020, in the boardroom of the Administrative Service Center at 215 Pine Avenue E in Menomonie, Wisconsin.
- B. Roll Call and Quorum** – Roll call showed nine board members present: Penny Burstad, Chris Freeman (via telephone), Tanya Husby, Clint Moses, Amy Riddle-Swanson, Charlie Schneider, David Styer, Jim Swanson, and Tricia Thompson (via telephone). President Styer declared a quorum and noted that the meeting had been duly noticed. Administrators in attendance were Joe Zydowsky, Samantha Hoyt, Tonia Kowieski, Brian Seguin, and Leah Theder. Electors and/or others registering attendance included Ginnie Prechel.
- C. Agenda Order and Approval/Revision** – The agenda was approved as presented.
- D. Recommendations and Commendations** - There were no recommendations or commendations.
- E. Community Communications** - Ginnie Prechel addressed board members regarding concerns with at home learning. Troy Gunderson addressed board members virtually in regards to his candidacy for state superintendent.
- F. Board Member/Superintendent Communications** – Board members reported on their participation in recent board- and community-related activities.

**II. PERSONNEL CONSENT AGENDA**

**Action to Approve Personnel Consent Agenda** – Swanson made a motion, seconded by Burstad, that the board approves the following personnel action: 1) Employment of Justin Schunemann, Energy Manager, beginning December 10, 2020, as presented. The motion passed by unanimous roll call vote.

**III. ACTION AGENDA**

- A. Action to Approve New Course Proposals for 2021-2022** - Riddle-Swanson made a motion, seconded by Swanson, that the board approve the new course proposals for 2021-2022, as presented. The motion passed by unanimous roll call vote.
- B. Action to Approve Resolution Authorizing the Issuance and Sale of \$11,670,000 Taxable (Convertible to Tax-Exempt) General Obligation Refunding Bonds** - Burstad made a motion, seconded by Schneider that the board approve the resolution authorizing the issuance and sale of \$11,670,000 taxable (convertible to tax-exempt) general obligation refunding bonds, as presented. The motion passed by unanimous roll call vote.

**IV. DISCUSSION ITEMS/POLICY REVIEW**

- A. COVID-19 Report** – Dr. Zydowsky shared a report with the board that included information on the current COVID-19 pandemic. The Dunn County Health Department website continues to update current information on a daily basis. Dunn County currently has 2,446 confirmed cases, 1,879 of those cases have been released from quarantine. Tracking by Dunn County Health Services indicates the activity level for Dunn County is very high, with a burden level of 1,753, and the trend is increasing. The SDMA has seen 112 student cases (MHS-60, MMS-33, and ELEM-19) and 42 staff cases this SDMA this school year. There are currently 16 active student cases and 2 active staff

cases, so 96 student cases and 40 staff cases have recovered and been released from isolation. Zydowsky shared updated guidance from the Wisconsin Department of Health Services and information about contact tracing protocol.

- B. Discuss 2021-2022 Budget Plan & Timeline** – The Board reviewed the plan and timeline for the creation of the 2021-2022 budget.
- C. Set Date and Format for Mid-Year Budget Hearing** - The mid-year budget hearing will be held at 5:00 pm on Monday, January 11, 2021.
- D. Review Extracurricular Staff Contract Requests** - The board reviewed extracurricular contract requests from September 25, 2020, through October 22, 2020.
- E. Review Items Related to Next Meeting Dates, Board Committees, and Reports** –Regular School Board Meeting, on December 14, 2020, Regular School Board Meeting, on January 11, 2020.

**V. ADJOURNMENT**

**Action to Adjourn** – Swanson made a motion, seconded by Burstad, to adjourn the meeting at 6:32 p.m. The motion carried on a unanimous voice vote.

/s/ Clinton Moses

Clinton Moses, Clerk

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Minutes Approved: December 14, 2020