

## **COOPERATIVE EDUCATIONAL SERVICE AGENCY #4**

The Board of Control met on Wednesday, January 8, 2020 at CESA #4 Office, 923 East Garland Street, West Salem, Wisconsin. Chairman Dave Amundson called the meeting to order at 6:55 p.m.

Board Members Present: David Amundson, Kevin Bauman, Dawn Comeau, Larry Cyrus, Julie Meyers, Aaron Nemecek, Gerald Roethel, Mary Jo Rozmenoski, Sarah Staff and Jim Wright.

Excused: Jane Halverson

Also present: Lucas Dorn, Wayde Pollock, and Michelle Kotek

Via remote connection: Cheryl Gullicksrud

### **APPROVAL OF MEETING AGENDA**

Sarah Staff moved to approve the revised meeting agenda with moving of Item 10. Consideration of Agency Administrator Evaluation to the February 5, 2020 meeting. Mary Jo Rozmenoski seconded the motion. Motion carried.

**PUBLIC INPUT** - None

**AUDIT REPORT** - Lucas Dorn, Johnson Block

Sarah Staff moved to approve the Audit Report that Lucas Dorn provided to the Board for year ending June 30, 2019. Dawn Comeau seconded the motion. Motion carried.

### **READING AND APPROVAL OF DECEMBER MEETING MINUTES**

Julie Meyers moved to approve the meeting minutes of the December 4, 2019 meeting. Dawn Comeau seconded the motion. Motion carried.

### **APPROVE VOUCHERS AND FINANCIAL STATEMENT FOR THE MONTH OF DECEMBER**

Mary Jo Rozmenoski moved to approve the vouchers and financial statement for the month of December. Dawn Comeau seconded the motion. Motion carried.

### **NEW BUSINESS**

#### **BOARD DISCUSSION/INPUT ON WASB CONVENTION RESOLUTIONS FOR CESA #4**

Dave Amundson will vote on behalf of CESA #4 Board of Control.

#### **APPROVE RETIREMENT REQUEST**

Dawn Comeau moved to approve the retirement of Art Nuttelman effective December 19, 2019. Julie Meyers seconded the motion. Motion carried.

#### **APPROVE PERSONNEL CONTRACT**

Jim Wright moved to approve the contract for Rich Treakle as delivery van driver effective January 6, 2020. Kevin Bauman seconded the motion. Motion carried.

## **DISCUSSION AND FIRST READING OF AMENDED VACATION POLICY #3208**

Cheryl discussed the proposed amendment to the policy. It will be brought back to the Board at the February meeting for the second reading.

## **AGENCY ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT TO THE BOARD**

- WASB State Convention – January 22 – 24 in Milwaukee
- CESA Board of Control Appreciation Breakfast – Wednesday, January 22

## **CESA #4 Activities**

- Area legislators met with CESA 4 superintendents on December 6 to discuss regional and statewide public education issues. The following legislators participated: Senator Shilling and Representatives Billings, Doyle, Oldenburg, and VanderMeer.
- Congratulations to Tomah Middle School for their continued success in the Vocabulary Bowl. Vocabulary Bowl is a nationwide competition in which students demonstrate mastery of words. Last year over 39,000 schools across the United States and Canada participated in the year-long competition. Currently, Tomah Middle School ranks 1<sup>st</sup> among Wisconsin middle and elementary schools and 13<sup>th</sup> among all participating middle and elementary schools.

- Mid-year Update

### **INSTRUCTIONAL SERVICES -**

Work-based Learning Guide: Amanda Langrehr and Jessie Sloan were contracted by the DPI To write the new state Work-Based Learning Guide. This guide will serve as the guiding document for districts throughout the state as they set up their own work-based learning programs.

State Endorsed Regional Career Pathways – Amanda Langrehr will be working in collaboration with our local economic development council to write a grant to develop a regional career pathway for our CESA #4 districts. The goal of the pathway work is to increase the number of students that complete career pathways tied to high-skill, high demand jobs and to transform the way we design and deliver the pathway programs for our students to ensure they are ready for life after high school.

Career Ed Data for WISEdash for Districts – Jessie Sloan created a CTE Course Planning work plan for districts to use to organize their Career Ed Data. This is a new way for districts to collect data. Jessie Sloan will be presenting this work plan across the state at the DPI, WISEdata Conference in March.

Curriculum Development and Support (Steph Wagner) – Steph Wagner has been working with teams of teachers from various school districts on creating a guaranteed and viable curriculum for students. This has included work in all core subject areas, with specific emphasis on social studies. The teams have worked on understanding the state standards, creating cohesive units of study, and will look at creating common assessments to gauge student understanding in the future. Teams have been given the tools and processes to bring this work back to their buildings to help build capacity among team members.

### **DIGITAL LEARNING AND LEADERSHIP**

Digital Literacy – CESA #4, under the direction of Kaye Henrickson, is excited to partner with CESA #4 around the state as well as DPI in providing a statewide Privacy and Security Summit on February 4 and 5. Because needs are unique for each of our districts around this increasingly hot topic in education today, each day is tailored to the data privacy, security, ad cybersecurity needs of both large and smaller districts. This event is meant to grow professional learning networks across the state so

everyone in these critical security roles has someone with whom to connect to keep student and district data and cyber systems as safe as possible.

WISElearn – Kaye Henrickson continues to serve as the statewide coordinator for WISElearn Innovation Grants. These grants support districts across the state in the selection, adoption, and implementation process of quality, openly-licensed instructional materials. The goal of this ongoing partnership with DPI and the CESA Statewide Network (CSN) is to build capacity among districts statewide. To date, the project has impacted hundreds of educators and thousands of students.

#### **SPECIAL EDUCATION**

Interpreter Program - To address the high need and shortage of Educational Sign Language Interpreters in our CESA #4 schools and throughout the state, Lily Rider, Itinerant Services Director, and our CESA #4 Deaf and Hard of Hearing (DHH) teachers, are working with Northcentral Technical College to bring an Educational Sign Language Associate degree program to our region. Course requirements have been determined, licensing procedures are being clarified, and our DHH teachers and audiologists have been approved to teach classes. If planning continues on schedule, the first class of students could begin their training either this summer or fall.

Sarah Staff moved to approve the Agency Administrator’s report. Dawn Comeau seconded the motion. Motion carried.

#### **BOARD OF CONTROL MEMBER INPUT/CRACKER BARREL**

None

#### **FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS**

Review of new programs and services catalog for 2020-2021.

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

Kevin Bauman moved to adjourn. Jim Wright seconded the motion. Motion carried. Adjourned at 7:32 p.m.

Next meeting: Wednesday evening, February 5, 2020 at 7 p.m. at CESA #4

Respectfully submitted,  
Cheryl Gullicksrud