

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

The Board of Control met on Wednesday, April 6, 2016 at the CESA #4 Office, 923 East Garland Street, West Salem, Wisconsin. Chairman Dave Amundson called the meeting to order at 7:10 pm

Board Members Present: Dave Amundson, Kevin Bauman, Ken French, Jane Halverson, Dennis Havlik, Julie Meyers, Peggy Pasker, Jo Ressie, Mary Jo Rozmenoski, Dave Smikrud, and Jim Wright.

Also present: Jeff Stalheim, Gerald Roethel, Cheryl Gullicksrud, Wayde Pollock, and Michelle Kotek

### **APPROVAL OF MEETING AGENDA**

Ken French moved to approve the revised meeting agenda as distributed. Jane Halverson seconded the motion. Motion carried.

**PUBLIC INPUT** - None

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

Dave Smikrud moved to approve the meeting minutes of the March 2, 2016 meeting. Jo Ressie seconded the motion. Motion carried.

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

Jo Ressie moved to approve the vouchers and financial statement for the month of March. Peggy Pasker seconded the motion. Motion carried.

### **NEW BUSINESS**

#### **SECOND READING AND APPROVAL OF MODIFIED FIXED ASSET ACCOUNTING SYSTEM POLICY NO. 4001**

Jane Halverson moved approval of the amended Fixed Asset Accounting System Policy No., 4001. Julie Meyers seconded the motion. Motion carried.

#### **APPROVE PERSONNEL CONTRACTS**

Mary Jo Rozmenoski moved to approve the contract for Julie Stone, part-time office cleaner and Lauren Williamson, full-time Deaf and Hard of Hearing Teacher for the 2016-17 school year. Jo Ressie seconded the motion. Motion carried.

#### **APPROVE RESIGNATION**

Jane Halverson moved to approve the resignation of Michelle Pandian, Deaf and Hard of Hearing teacher effective June 30, 2016. Kevin Bauman seconded the motion. Motion carried.

#### **APPROVE ANNUAL MEETING AGENDA**

Jo Ressie moved to approve the June 1 annual meeting agenda as distributed. Jim Wright seconded the motion. Motion carried.

## **AGENCY ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT**

- WASB New Board Member Gathering—April 19, 7-9 p.m. at the CESA 4 Office  
Dan Rossmiller will be the presenter. This is a free event.
- WASB Board Member Training—May 10, 6-9 p.m. at the CESA 4 Office.  
Bob Butler and Rachel Schultz will co-present this Spring Academy Workshop. Registration is required, and the cost for the program and catered dinner is \$85.
- The PAC meeting on April 12 will include a presentation by John Forester (School Administrators Alliance) on actions taken during the recently completed legislative session.
- The Sub-Advisory Committee develops the programming for the PAC meetings. This year the Committee included:
  - Troy Gunderson, West Salem, term expires in June
  - Kelly Burhop, Norwalk-Ontario-Wilton, term expires in June
  - Del DeBerg, Melrose-Mindoro
  - Fan Finco, Onalaska
  - David Laehn, Bangor
  - Shelly Severson, Black River Falls
  - David Bell, Cashton—new member starting in 2016-2017
  - Chuck Norton—new member starting in 2016-2017
- CESA #4 was recently awarded two separate grants for the upcoming year by the CESA Foundation: \$2,000 Leading School Leadership Academy (Sherri Torkelson and Billie Finco); \$1,000 Transforming Your Classroom from “Sit and Get” to “Make and Do” (Nicole Cooksey and Kaye Henrickson)
- Replacement of the CESA 4 air condensing unit – unit expected to be shipped this week, next week the current unit is expected to be shut down and the gas reclaimed. The project is expected to be done on or before April 22.
- Face-to-face meetings have been held with 25 of the 26 CESA 4 administrators to discuss current district needs and review the 2016 CESA 4 Catalog of Services. A meeting with the one remaining administrator is scheduled for next week.
- Referendum Update from April 4 Election – 3 district referendums passed in the CESA #4 region  
Tomah – To exceed revenue limit by \$1.5 million for 3 years  
West Salem – Renovating and improving transportation (bus) facility \$500,000 and  
Renovating and improving district swimming pool \$1 million  
Westby – Constructing and equipping a Performing Arts Center \$2.995 million
- Ryan Rieber named new West Salem Elementary Principal effective July 1. Mr. Rieber has been the Viroqua Elementary Principal.
- A number of teachers and administrators from CESA 4 were honored with Herb Kohl Foundation awards. A complete list of the honored educators was included in your Board packet.
- Melissa Herek, Principal at Cataract Elementary and Lawrence-Lawson Elementary in Sparta, has been selected as our state’s Elementary Principal of the Year. She will now represent Wisconsin in the National Principal of the Year competition.
- Students at De Soto High School are getting a unique opportunity, one that will give them a head start in a career in aviation. De Soto is the first district in Wisconsin to offer flight ground school as an elective course. The program is a partnership with the Experimental Aircraft Association, allowing students to complete aviation ground school right at their high school.
- The Wisconsin Legislature has concluded their 2015-16 session and is in recess until next January.

Jane Halverson moved to approve the Agency Administrator’s report. Julie Meyers seconded the motion. Motion carried.

## **OATHS OF OFFICE**

Jeff Stalheim, Blair-Taylor and Gerald Roethel, Westby took their oaths of office. We welcome them to the CESA #4 Board of Control. Thank you to Dave Smikrud for his service on the CESA Board of Control from May 2002 through April 2010 and February 2014 through April 6, 2016 and to Dennis Havlik for his service from June 2012 through April 6, 2016.

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

- Mary Jo Rozmenoski will be attending the National School Board Association Conference in Boston later this week.
- Policy overview discussion
- Westby High School robotics team competed in Milwaukee in late March and did very well in competition for their first year of having a team.
- Ken French did not retain his seat on the La Crosse Board of Education during yesterday's election. We will recognize Ken at our May meeting and welcome his replacement to the Board of Control.

## **ADJOURNMENT**

Jo Ressie moved to adjourn. Jim Wright seconded the motion. Motion carried. Adjourned at 7:45 p.m.

Next meeting: Wednesday evening, May 4, 2016 at 7 p.m. at Drugan's, rural Holmen.

Respectfully submitted,  
Cheryl Gullicksrud