

February School Board Meeting  
February 10th, 2020

The Wheeler Central Board of Education regular meeting was held on February 10th, 2020. Chairman Patrick called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. She pointed out the location of the Open Meetings Poster. Members present were: Patrick, Wright, Freouf, Race, Derner, and Superintendent Olson. Absent: Pokorny. Roll call: Race aye, Patrick aye, Derner aye, Freouf aye, Wright aye. Others present were Jay Johnson, Teresa Smith. Race made the motion to excuse absent members, Freouf seconded. Roll call: Patrick aye, Race aye, Wright aye, Derner aye, Freouf aye, Pokorny absent. Race made the motion to move the annual election of office to later in the meeting when Pokorny arrives, Freouf seconded. Roll call: Patrick aye, Race aye, Wright aye, Derner aye, Freouf aye, Pokorny absent. Freouf made the motion to accept the January minutes and February consent agenda as presented, Derner seconded. Roll call vote: Patrick aye, Race aye, Wright aye, Derner aye, Freouf aye, Pokorny absent. Patrick opened the meeting by welcoming visitors.

A.D. report by Mr. Johnson. Sports schedules for 2020-21 were presented. It was suggested that changes be made to football playoff host site due to potential crowd control issues. Mr. Johnson suggested that the sub-committee discuss how football playoff/conference host sites and practice locations would be decided in future years.

K-6 Principal/Superintendent report by Mr. Olson. It was reported that a new student started recently. Mr. Olson will be exploring ways to share classes with Spalding Academy. It was reported that parent-teacher conferences are this coming Wednesday. It was also noted that the Title I review will take place this month. Mr. Olson reported that the district received \$14,000 worth of REAP dollars this month. Student absences and make-up time were discussed. It was noted that many of the elementary staff would be attending various professional development conferences this month and they have also began reviewing the Reading program. It was noted that the current program used throughout the elementary is Reading Mastery. Last, Mr. Olson noted that grade level curriculum review will occur in the Northern Tier this fall.

Maintenance Report. Mr. Olson noted that he has contacted Bartak Glass to repair the front entrance of the multipurpose room. It was also reported that the school will look for an estimate to repair the windows of the Superintendent's house.

Transportation Report. Transportation committee will need to meet in April to review enrollment and look at routes for upcoming year.

In old business, board reviewed bids for replacing basement windows in the teacherage. This will extend the life of the building and allow for alternative uses for the building. Derner made the motion to accept the bid from Nordhues Construction for replacement of the fourteen basement windows as bid currently states, Freouf seconded. Roll call vote: Patrick aye, Race aye, Wright aye, Derner aye, Freouf aye, Pokorny aye. It was also noted that the sewage/plumbing renovations on the teacherage basement have begun.

Pokorny joined the meeting at 8:00 pm.

In new business, motion to accept Maggie Smith as a local substitute teacher for the Wheeler Central School District. Pokorny made the motion to accept Maggie Smith as a local substitute teacher, Race seconded. Roll call vote: Patrick aye, Race aye, Wright aye, Derner aye, Freouf aye, Pokorny aye.

Derner made the motion to accept all early retirement requests with the recognition of the seven day right to rescind, seconded by Pokorny. Roll call vote: Patrick aye, Race aye, Wright aye, Derner aye, Freouf aye, Pokorny aye.

Mr. Olson presented the proposed 2020-21 school calendar. Teachers will review this proposed calendar, and it will be voted on at the March meeting. Mr. Olson suggested discussing school schedules at the sub-committee work session to coordinate schedules as much as possible.

Mr. Olson recommended to the board that all classified staff be offered contracts. The Finance committee will meet to review compensation for classified staff.

Americanism sub-committee will meet next week to review the social studies program to ensure that it meets the Americanism requirements.

Annual Election of Officers. Race nominated Patrick for President, Pokorny seconded. Motion to cease nominations made by Freouf, Derner seconded. Roll call vote: Race aye, Wright aye, Derner aye, Freouf aye, Pokorny ae.

Pokorny nominated Race for Vice President. Pokorny motion to cease nominations, Freouf seconded. Roll call vote: Patrick aye, Wright aye, Derner aye, Freouf aye, Pokorny aye.

Derner nominated Wright for Secretary, Race seconded. Pokorny motion to cease nominations, Race seconded. Roll call vote: Patrick aye, Race aye, Derner aye, Freouf aye, Pokorny aye.

Freouf nominated Pokorny for Treasurer, Race seconded. Wright motion to cease nominations, Race seconded. Roll call vote: Patrick aye, Race aye, Wright aye, Derner aye, Freouf aye.

Pokorny made the motion to enter executive session to protect personal and identifiable information, Race seconded. All aye. Executive session was entered at 8:30 pm.

Pokorny made the motion to exit executive session, Race seconded. All aye. Executive session was exited at 9:00 pm.

Pokorny made the motion to adjourn, Freouf seconded. All in favor. Meeting was adjourned at 9:01 p.m. Next regular meeting will be March 9th, 2020 at 7:00 p.m.