

FRIESS LAKE SCHOOL DISTRICT
Village of Richfield and Town of Erin

MINUTES

March 22, 2017
Regular School Board Meeting

MEMBERS PRESENT: Ellen Duhamel, President
Ginny McGrath, Treasurer
John Tennesen, Clerk
Carmen Glime, Member at Large

STAFF PRESENT: John Engstrom, District Administrator
Denise Howe, Business Manager/HR Director

- I. The regular meeting of the School Board of the Friess Lake School District was called to order by Board President, Ellen Duhamel at 5:45 P.M. The meeting was posted at Friess Lake School, Richfield Town Hall, Erin Town Hall, Hartford Times Press, WTKM Radio Station, and the Journal/Sentinel-Cedarburg Office.
- II. Roll call was taken. A quorum was verified. Tony Kellicut was excused.
- III. The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Ellen Duhamel.
- IV. Open Forum/Community Input
 - A. No one requested to present at the Open Forum.
- V. Recognition, Appreciation, Awards
 - A. John Engstrom thanked John Tennesen for his 4 years of service as his term ends on the School Board next month.
 - B. John Engstrom thanked Karen Isselmann and the other parents involved in the recent tournament.
 - C. John Engstrom thanked Sandy Voss and the other parent volunteers who made 8th grade movie night a success.
 - D. John Engstrom thanked Brynn Jakubowski, Steve Mork, Jennifer Becker and Katie Bauter for their efforts in the elementary math team.
 - E. John Engstrom thanked Denise Howe for her continued work with the consolidation study as well as the community meetings and survey preparations.
 - F. John Engstrom reported that 41% of the middle school students were on the Honor Roll this past semester and congratulated them on their hard work.
 - G. John Engstrom congratulated Ella Schneider who will be competing in the upcoming state level spelling bee. He also congratulated Nathan Schmidt who will be competing in the state level geography bee.
 - H. John Engstrom thanked Vicki Colburn for all of her work preparing the students for solos and ensembles. He also congratulated Ella Schneider and Maggie Colwell for taking 1st place.
- VI. Presentations
 - A. There were no presentations at this time.
- VII. Approval of Minutes
 - A. Carmen Glime made a motion to approve the February 27, 2017 Regular School Board meeting minutes as amended, Ginny McGrath 2nd; Motion carried unanimously.
 - B. Ginny McGrath made a motion to approve the February 27, 2017 Closed Session minutes as amended, Carmen Glime 2nd; Motion carried unanimously.
- VIII. Approval of Financial Reports and Bills Payable
 - A. Carmen Glime made a motion to approve the February 28, 2017 Financial Reports as presented, Ginny McGrath 2nd; Motion carried unanimously.
 - B. Ginny McGrath made a motion to approve the 2017-2018 bus contract extension with Riteway as presented, Carmen Glime 2nd; Motion carried unanimously.
- IX. Student Achievement Reports and Updates
 - A. Enrollment Report
 - I. The 2016-2017 Enrollment as of February 27, 2017 was reported as follows:

Preschool Speech - 0	EC-0	4K-11	5K-15	
1-13	2-20	3-20	4-17	5-25
6-19	7-18	8-19	Total: 177	

- X. Personnel Items
- A. John Tennesen made a motion to approve preliminary teacher reductions for the 2017-2018 school year as presented, Carmen Glime 2nd; Motion carried unanimously.
- XI. Board Reports and Updates
- A. General Board Communications
1. Ellen Duhamel discussed a Journal/Sentinel article about vouchers and charter schools.
- B. Board President's Report – Ellen Duhamel
1. Ellen Duhamel provided feedback to the Board on the several consolidation community meetings she attended.
- C. Denise Howe reported that Tony Kellicut (incumbent) and Stephanie Bunton will be running for the two seats on the School Board at the April 4, 2017 Spring Election.
- D. Long Term District Planning
1. John Engstrom updated the School Board on the 18 community meetings that were held at the Richfield Village Hall, Richfield Fire Hall, Friess Lake School, Richfield School and Plat School in the past two months. He further reported that the meetings were published on both district websites, on the district's Facebook accounts, in the Richfield Happenings newsletter, Village of Richfield website, in the Friess Lake Flyer as well as emails to parents of students and on the local cable channel.
2. John Engstrom reported that Friess Lake and Richfield School District administration will also be present with an information table at Northbrook Church during the upcoming election where questions can be answered and information shared in a setting that would hopefully reach some of the residents who hadn't had an opportunity to attend the community meetings or didn't have access to the prior postings.
3. John Engstrom and Denise Howe reported that they have been working with School Perceptions to create a survey to be sent to all Friess Lake residents, open enrollment parents and staff to solicit feedback on the potential consolidation, the process and to gather information on what kinds of additional information may be needed before making a decision regarding moving forward in the process.
- XII. Building and Grounds Reports and Updates
- A. The Building and Grounds Report from Rick Croghan was reviewed.
- B. Denise Howe reported she is continuing to work with the Wisconsin Municipal Energy Efficiency Technical Assistance Program (MEETAP) on possible energy efficiency incentives and upgrades. She further reported that she is working with MEETAP on a Request for Qualifications (RFQ) to get estimates on the cost of some potential upcoming projects.
- XIII. Policies
- There were no policies reviewed at this time.
- XIV. Future Agenda Items
- A. The Board discussed future agenda items such as: Energy efficiencies, Consolidation Study and Community Survey and final teacher reductions.
- B. The next regular School Board meeting was previously scheduled for April 24, 2017 at 5:45 P.M. The May School Board meeting was scheduled for May 31, 2017 at 5:45 P.M.
- XV. At 6:59 P.M., Ginny McGrath made a motion to adjourn, Carmen Glime 2nd; Motion carried unanimously.


Ellen Duhamel, President


Carmen Glime, Clerk