

**BOARD OF EDUCATION
WARREN/ALVARADO/OSLO PUBLIC SCHOOL
DISTRICT #2176**

**REGULAR MEETING
MONDAY, DECEMBER 14, 2020
7:00 P.M. MULTIPURPOSE ROOM**

Call to Order

In attendance: Nikki Peterson, Sally Roller, Jordan Johnson, Jeremy Woinarowicz, Jeff Steer, present via zoom Don Narlock. Not in attendance Eric Berglund.

The Pledge of Allegiance was spoken.

Levy / Truth-in-Taxation Presentation- Superintendent Kirk Thorstenson gave a presentation with handouts and slides to review the levy information. 2019 Pay 2020 Certified Referendum Market Value \$749,039.57, Net Tax Capacity \$660,230.84 total Levy \$1,409,270.41. 2020 Pay 2021 Proposed Referendum Market Value \$749,039.57, Net Tax Capacity \$654,743.28 total Levy \$1,403,782.85.

Open Forum no one spoke.

Approval of Minutes - Motion by Roller, second by Woinarowicz to approve the minutes of the November 9, 2020 regular meeting to include the following: corrections spelling error page 5 position; page 6 COVID, transportation; page 7 Narlock. CU

Approval of Minutes - Motion by Roller, second by Steer to approve the minutes of the November 12, 2020 special meeting to include the following. CU

Approval of Minutes - Motion by Woinarowicz, second by Johnson to approve the minutes of the November 13, 2020 special meeting to include the following. CU

Approval of Minutes - Motion by Steer, second by Roller to approve the minutes of the November 16, 2020 emergency meeting to include the following. CU

Approval of Minutes - Motion by Woinarowicz, second by Roller to approve the minutes of the November 18, 2020 special meeting to include the following. CU

Approval of Agenda - Motion by Roller, second by Woinarowicz to approve the agenda as presented or amended to include the following. CU

- 1) 19.0 Recognition of 12 years**
- 2) 19.0 Recognition of 8 years**

Approval of Finances

Bills— Motion by Steer, second by Johson to approve the payment of bills in the amount of \$ 244,594.49, check # 70288 - 72209 , wires in the amount of \$177,562.63 , November payroll in the amount of \$222,867.85, Bremer Credit Card Stmt's, activity report and the financial report as presented. CU

Enrollment: numbers are provided December 2020 K-6 268, 7-12 217 for a total of 485.

Reports

- **Elementary Principal - verbal report via zoom Principal Kelsey Johnson. Asynchronous Wednesdays: Each teacher is bringing in 1 student 8-9 am. 17 in-person students and 3 Zoom-in students**
Each teacher is meeting with their Distance learners 1:1 or small group 9-9:30am. 18 DL students met with teachers, 2 DL students came into the building.
Teachers connected 1:1 with 40 students- 14% of our student population.
Elementary QET Meets on Thursday, December 17th to talk about the process and if changes need to be made.
Distance Learning Update- Specialists (gym/music) have created a schedule to begin zooming with students on an every other day schedule, if we have distance learning in place.
Winter Music Program- Mrs. Stoffel & Ms. Becks are creating a virtual program that will be sent out to parents and available on our social media page prior to winter break.
WAO HOLIDAY/WINTER CELEBRATIONS- 12 Days of Christmas- Themed dress-up days; Daily kindness awards- 2 winners each day; Staff appreciation Days (Thank you to Ashley Anderson at the Silo & Northdale for lunch on Dec. 9th and to the Sunview Apartments for lunch on Dec 23rd.); Holiday Bingo for students; Thank you to Thrivent Financial for partnership through their Thrivent Action Team Program; Thank you to Missy and the kitchen staff for help; thank you to the Elementary climate Committee for decorating the Elementary building; Thank you Amanda and Nurse Jane for all the organization.
-Open Positions- paraprofessional increase of 1:1 student need; Substitute Teachers.
- **HS Principal verbal report by Ben Miska.**
Staffing- Coaching/advisory positions for JH Girls Basketball- Cassdidy Mercil; Spring Trap Shooting Coach; and need Subs.
Events & Meetings: Currently HS Distance Learners for quarter 2-34 students, Quarantine as of December 14th at 8:30 am 18 students.
Executive Order 20-94: thank you for the time on Wednesdays big help for

staff dealing with added responsibilities; added help for 7 seniors who are at risk of failing; bring in juniors next, have about 20 students invited. Executive Order 20-99-No Activities until December 18th at 11:59 PM. Waiting to see what the next step will be; Mr. Mortimer is planning winter sports; Planning 7-12 Band and Choir Concert for Monday, December 21. HS QET Wednesday December 16 at 3:20 in MRPR. Great Things at WAO- 6th Grade Pizza Sales- Sold \$15,132 worth of pizza. C&M Ford donated a 2001 f150 to Mr. Wozniak's Auto class. Up and Coming- 6th Grade Pizza Pickups-Monday, December 21 from 2:45-3:45 PM; Christmas Break December 24- January 3; end of Quarter 2 is January 15th.

- **Superintendent**

Levy / Truth-in-Taxation Presentation hand out and presentation at beginning of meeting.

Proud of the staff with all that has been coming at them during COVID 19. Constant changes with Guidance and Decisions that are implemented day to day. Thank you to our WAO Team for your professional focus in doing what is best for students.

Audit Report- has been added to the January 11, 2021 Board Meeting; I prefer a "sit-down" review with Brady-Martz auditors to learn and understand, with Natasha, what we are covering during the presentation.

Region 1 Board Election- Ballot handout Kirk has with him for handout.

After Christmas consider alternate Financial Report; update Revenue & Expenditure Budgets; "On Boarding" new board members.

Board Committees

Sally Roller gave verbal for the ED Foundation- Letter sent thank you Kirk for getting them out.

Jeff Steer- QET Nov 16th.

Jeremy Woinarowicz- Negotiations Committee- talked about raising substitution rates to be competitive and compensation for cell phone use.

Personnel

Resignation - Motion by Woinrowicz, second by Narlock to accept the resignation of Tony Gullikson, Trapshooting Coach. CU

Girls Basketball Coach - Motion by Roller, second by Woinrowicz to hire Cassidy Mercil as Junior High coach for the 2020-21 school year, per the Master Contract.

20 Payable 21 Levy Certification Resolution – Motion by Johnson, second by Steer to certify the 2020 payable 2021 Levy by UNDER-LEVYING \$393,621.31 in Operating Referendum, for a NET Levy amount of \$1,403,782.85 for 2021-22 school year. (Roll Call) CU

Aye: 6: Nikki Peterson, Sally Roller, Jordan Johnson, Don Narlock, Jeremy Woinarowicz, Jeff Steer.

Nay 0:

Combined Polling Place Resolution - Motion by Steer, second by Roller to approve combining all polling places in WAO School District #2176 and designating the sole polling place as the Multipurpose Room of WAO High School as said combined polling place in the event any standalone or special election needs to be called in the coming year of 2021, per Minnesota Statute 205A.11 Subd. 2. (Roll call)CU

Aye 6: Nikki Peterson, Sally Roller, Jordan Johnson, Don Narlock, Jeremy Woinarowicz, Jeff Steer.

Nay 0:

Substitute Teacher Rate - Motion by Steer, second by Roller to increase the substitute teacher rate to \$130/day. CU (Nikki Peterson abstained as she is a sub.)

Resolution supporting application to the MSHSL Foundation for a FORM A grant to offset student activity fees. Motion by Roller, second by Johnson to approve as presented. (Roll Call) CU

Aye 6: Nikki Peterson, Sally Roller, Jordan Johnson, Don Narlock, Jeremy Woinarowicz, Jeff Steer.

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Nay 0:

19.0 Communication and Events:

**Jeremy Woinarowicz - *Recognition of 12 yrs. of service to WAO School*
Eric Berglund - *Recognition of 8 yrs. of service to WAO School***

Region 1 Joint Powers Board Election ballots

12/21/20	HS Band & Choir Concert @ 7:00 p.m.
12/24/20	Holiday Break begins
1/4/21	School returns to session

Adjourn at 8:28 p.m. - Next meeting will be January 11, 2021 at 7:00 P.M. in the H.S. multipurpose room. Reorganization meeting & Audit Report.