

ARROWHEAD UNION HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT
BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING
MAY 11, 2005
MINUTES

The meeting was called to order by President LeBlanc at 7:00 p.m. in the District Office Conference Room.

Everyone rose for the Pledge of Allegiance.

Members present: Joe LeBlanc, Bob Rosch, Sue Schultz, Jack Gutschenritter, Mike Kusch, Craig Thompson, Al Zietlow
Unable to attend: John Greidanus, Judie Ristow

Administration present: Dave Lodes, Steve Kopecky, Bonnie Laugerman, Gregg Wiczorek

The meeting was properly posted. Mr. Zietlow noted that in the Waukesha section of today's *Milwaukee Journal Sentinel*, in a notice entitled, "On the Agenda," this meeting is listed as "Arrowhead High School District, School Board, 7 p.m.; closed session." He expressed concern that the reader might think the entire meeting would be held in closed session, and he felt it should clearly state it is an open meeting that includes closed session discussion. Dr. Lodes indicated that the *Milwaukee Journal Sentinel* receives a complete agenda of each meeting as part of our usual media notification process; however, he would contact the newspaper in regard to Mr. Zietlow's concern.

Moved by Schultz, seconded by Kusch to approve the minutes of the April 25, 2005, Regular Board meeting as presented.
Motion Carried.

Moved by Rosch, seconded by Gutschenritter to approve the operating bill list and pay vouchers 102919-102920, 102976-103098, 103100-103204, and 103206-103311 in the amount of \$984,319.54. Motion Carried. The Board of Education requested detailed account descriptions to assist them in reviewing the vouchers listed on the Detail Check Register.

CITIZEN COMMUNICATIONS AND COMMENTS – None.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT – Dr. Lodes reported that many end of year activities are underway. Advanced Placement (AP) testing concludes May 12, 2005. Staff evaluations will begin soon. The senior party is scheduled for June 3, 2005. Graduation will be held on June 5, 2005. Dr. Lodes stated that Kevin Lipscomb, our Director of Buildings and Grounds, will complete his first year at Arrowhead High School in September 2005, and he has been doing an excellent job. Our summer school program continues to grow under the direction of Associate Principal Pete Nejedlo.

Dr. Lodes stated that we are in the process of completing our staffing for the 2005/2006 school year. Teaching positions that are currently in the process of being filled include physical education/health, math, and a couple of sections of social studies. We are also in the process of accepting applications for the position of Associate Principal, pending acceptance of the resignation of Christopher Kluck this evening by the Board of Education. We will also present the selected candidate for the instructional music position to the Board of Education this evening with a recommendation for approval.

Dr. Lodes also shared with the Board of Education a recent article in *Newsweek* in which they rated the top 1,000 schools in America. Their "Best High Schools List" was based on the ratio of the number of advanced placement tests taken by all students at school in 2004 divided by the number of graduating seniors. Arrowhead High School was 534 on this list. However, Dr. Lodes questioned whether there was any correlation between the number of AP tests taken and the number of graduating seniors.

CURRICULUM – Chairperson Schultz reviewed the minutes of the April 28, 2005, meeting. The committee reviewed the list of technology improvements accomplished during the 2004/2005 school year. Future technology goals include the continued implementation of ParentCONNECT, an online communication tool for parents of Arrowhead students, and online student registration.

The Curriculum Committee also reviewed a Status of Classes report, which identified several class offerings to be dropped or reduced in the 2005/2006 school year. These changes will contribute to the overall efficiencies developed within our educational initiatives, as we will serve approximately the same number of students as this year, with a reduction in staff of approximately 1.8 FTE. The committee also discussed the implementation of Policy/Procedure 332. Selection of Materials, as it pertains to the evaluation and selection of instructional materials.

FINANCE & LEGISLATION – The next Finance Committee meeting is scheduled for May 24, 2005. Agenda items include discussion of the Wisconsin Retirement System unfunded prior service liability and consideration of a variable rate vs. a fixed rate, discussion of the general fund balance designation, establishment of a football field turf replacement account, and review of the draft rewrite of the transportation contract.

BUILDINGS & GROUNDS – Chairperson Zietlow reviewed the minutes of the May 4, 2005, meeting. The committee reviewed the report prepared by Czarniecki Engineering, Inc. in regard to the emergency generator distribution system and accepted their recommendation to remove the outdated generator from North Campus, rebalance the loads on the existing generators at North and South Campuses, and improve the electrical panels. This would result in an electrical distribution grid that addresses life safety issues, as the inner classrooms at North Campus have no windows, and egress from these classrooms is a safety concern in the event of a power outage.

The committee also reviewed two proposals to resurface the track. One proposal was for a Seal-Flex (latex) surface, and the other was for a Poly Mat surface. The Buildings and Grounds Committee accepted the proposal from Fisher Tracks for a 1/2” Poly Mat surface, which has a stated life cycle of 20 years with two Structural Spray applications. The track resurfacing has been budgeted for 2005/2006 with a total projected cost of \$80,600, from funding sources as presented. The total projected cost includes the removal of the existing Seal-Flex surface and possible repairs to the asphalt understructure. The cost of the Structural Spray applications is \$33,257, which will be budgeted for over the next several years to ensure that the funds are available when the Structural Sprays should be applied. The possibility of resurfacing the “D” ends was also discussed. The “D” end is the area located between the end of the football field and track and is the current location of the high jump and pole vault. The bid from Fisher Tracks indicates the cost to resurface these areas with a 1/2” Poly Mat surface with Structural Spray is \$91,713. This project will be completed only when sufficient funds become available through donations. It is hoped that resurfacing the “D” ends could be completed prior to resurfacing the track.

Dr. Lodes informed the Board of Education that on May 6, 2005, he received notification from the State of Wisconsin that the plans to deepen the existing swimming pool to a depth of 5 ft. had been approved. The Buildings and Grounds Committee requested a minimum of four bids on this project by July 1, 2005, for their review, with the intention that the work would be completed in March 2006. Upon receipt of bids, the committee will review funding sources for the project, including facility use fee surcharges, the Community Fund and, hopefully, donations from the community.

PERSONNEL – Closed session report.

POLICY – The next meeting of the Policy Committee, scheduled for May 19, 2005, was canceled due to a lack of any pending policy issues.

WASB – No report.

CESA – Mr. Greidanus will attend the CESA #1 Annual Convention on May 17, 2005, as the Convention Delegate.

ADSEC – No report.

ENDOWMENT FUND – No meeting. Dr. Lodes indicated that he is currently working on creating a cell within the Endowment Fund for the Arrowhead Scholarship Fund, so that anyone who wishes to direct their giving to the Scholarship Fund may do so through the Endowment Fund.

NEW BUSINESS:

Moved by Zietlow, seconded by Schultz that the 2005 Arrowhead High School graduates be certified for graduation as identified by the administration as having met the graduation requirements as set forth by the Arrowhead Union High School District Board of Education and the State of Wisconsin. Motion Carried.

Moved by Zietlow, seconded by Rosch to accept the resignation of Christopher Kluck, South Campus Associate Principal, effective June 30, 2005. Motion Carried.

Moved by Zietlow, seconded by Schultz to approve contracts as follows: Cocurricular – Boys Baseball: Head Coach Tim O’Driscoll, Asst. Coaches Jeff Wiese, Marty McGinley, and Tim Tower; Teaching – Joshua Byrd (Instructional Music, Marching Band Head Advisor, Jazz Band Advisor, Pep Band Advisor, and Asst. Color Guard); Summer Driver’s Education – Chuck Niesen, Mike Ward, Deb Wied, Tim Williams, and Frank Wood; Summer School – 6 Weeks: Claudia Kelm (P.E.-Adventure Education), Del Kaatz (P.E.-Adventure Education), Mike Ward (P.E.-Traditional), Chuck Niesen (P.E.-Traditional), Jim Hessler (P.E.-Club Arrowhead), Tom Taraska (P.E.-Club Arrowhead), Greg Bisbee (Field Biology), Jennifer Kligora (Software Applications I), Pat Tremaine (Jump Start), Sue Grendahl (Jump Start); 4 Weeks: Tony Antony (Chemistry), Doug Drenzek (Science), Jacque Jurewicz (Biology I), Steve Urban (Advanced Algebra), Kathie Chvojicek

(Geometry), Dave Gierach (English), Michelle Verkler (English), Kathy Nelson (Speech), Shanna Hechimovich (U.S. History), Diana Ehlers (Health), Tim Tower (Western Civilization), Teresa Styba (Jump Start/Spanish I & II); Summer Special Education – Ann Audley (Speech and Language), Emily Carlton (Speech and Language), Jean Henschel (NovaNet Independent Study), Eileen Dlobik – Aide (NovaNet Independent Study), Kathy Kopp (Jump Start Support), Ginny Thorson (Jump Start Support), and Patti Koferl (Jump Start Support). Motion Carried.

Moved by Rosch, seconded by Zietlow to accept the voluntary layoff of Margaret Holland, effective at the conclusion of the 2004/2005 school year, as per the letter to her dated May 3, 2005. Motion Carried.

Moved by Rosch, seconded by Thompson that pursuant to State Statute 19.85(1)(e), the Board will move into closed session and reconvene to address public business matters.

Roll Call Vote: Schultz – aye, Zietlow – aye, Gutschenritter – aye, LeBlanc – aye, Rosch – aye, Kusch – aye, Thompson – aye. Motion Carried.

Moved by Zietlow, seconded by Kusch to move into open session.

Roll Call Vote: Gutschenritter – aye, Kusch – aye, LeBlanc – aye, Rosch – aye, Schultz – aye, Thompson – aye, Zietlow – aye. Motion Carried.

Moved by Zietlow, seconded by Rosch to adjourn. Motion Carried.

The meeting adjourned at 8:38 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Diane Hoag
Recording Secretary

Susan M. Schultz, Clerk