

**THORP BOARD OF EDUCATION  
REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING  
WEDNESDAY FEBRUARY 17, 2021 6:30 P.M.  
FLEX ROOM, THORP HIGH SCHOOL, 605 SOUTH CLARK ST, THORP, WI**

The regular monthly meeting of the Thorp Board of Education was called to order at 6:30 p.m. on Wednesday, February 17, 2021, in the Flex Room by Ty Schneider, Board Vice President. Members present were Clint Klapatauskas, Amy Penterman, Ty Schneider, and Jeanette Kodl. Absent Marie Karaba. Also, in attendance Adrian Foster; 6-12 Principal via livestream, Virtual Misti Trowbridge; Elementary Principal and Director of Student Services, District Administrator; Paul Blanford

**The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.**

**Report on Notice of Meeting**

The notice of time, place, and agenda was published and posted per Board Policy.

**Approve Agenda**

Motion was made by Penterman to approve the agenda, second by Klapatauskas. Voice vote. All Aye. Motion carried.

**Visitor Comments Agenda Items**

None

**FFA Presentation**

The Thorp FFA parliamentary procedures team led by Glen Schraufnagel presented to the board. Kate Schraufnagel, Carson Anderson, Ryan Raether, Elena Ciolkosz, Sami Ciolkosz and Rachel Boehlke demonstrated making a motion, objecting to a motion, approving a motion, etc. at a meeting. They will be competing virtually this year.

**Consent Agenda**

- a. Approve Meeting Minutes
- b. Approve Expenditures

Motion made by Klapatauskas to approve meeting minutes, second by Kodl. Voice Vote. All Aye. Motion carried.

Motion made by Penterman to approve expenditures, second by Klapatauskas. Voice Vote. All Aye. Motion carried.

**Action Items/New Business**

**Review/Approve 2021-2022 calendar proposal**

Motion was made by Klapatauskas to approve 2021-2022 school calendar, second by Kodl. Voice Vote. All Aye. Motion carried.

**Resolution for Waivers to DPI Requirements for Instructional hours and Educator Effectiveness**

Motion to approve and adopt waiver to DPI requirements for instructional hours and educator effectiveness by Kodl, second by Penterman. Voice Vote. All Aye. Motion carried.

**Approve Proposal to Purchase New Floor Scrubber- Using Esser 1 Funds**

Motion made by Klapatauskas to approve purchase of new floor scrubber model Tomcat CRZ 28" Rider Scrubber not to exceed \$14,698 using Esser 1 Funds, second by Kodl. Voice vote. All Aye. Motion carried.

**First Reading of School Board Policies 5000-9000**

Penterman asked to look at policy 5451.01 about freezing grade point averages for students that attend college early. Can it be aligned to match seniors taking classes at the high school.

Penterman asked to look at 5517.01- wants to make sure this aligns with our updated bullying policy.

Penterman asked to look at 5772- Is archery addressed in this section or does that fall into section 7217? Do we need archery in both sections?

**Review/Approve Proposal- Papercut Program on Copier/Printers- Esser 1 Funds**

Motion made by Penterman to approve purchase of Papercut program for copier and printer needs not to exceed \$6000, second by Klapatauskas. Voice Vote. All Aye. Motion carried.

**Administrative Reports**

Mrs. Trowbridge reported on social and emotional data. Self-awareness tests were given in the fall and midyear. Scores are showing concerns for students. She will be working with staff and creating a plan to combat mental health. Will start social and emotional interventions one to two days a week. The school will be bringing in a speaker in March.

Mr. Foster reported on block scheduling for our high school and middle school. Shared survey results from students and staff. Also shared data from the D & F list over several quarters. There are fewer students on the D & F list since switching to the block schedule. Data and survey are demonstrating a positive change to moving to the block schedule.

Mr. Blanford reported a midyear anonymous staff check in survey will be sent out soon. This will allow staff to provide feedback on what is going well, what needs to be changed, etc. This will be done via email. The school has lined up a speaker Mike McGowan for March 1 and 2. He will be addressing student bullying, student awareness, culture of kindness among other items. He will speak to grade levels to allow for smaller groups for more individual attention and meeting Covid-19 standards. Fitness center will be opening to the public soon. Looking to fill the part time manager position that was vacated in the fall.

**Board Reports**

Klapatauskas would like to see some of the Esser Funds used for filtration for the school to help with air quality.

Kodl asked Mr. Foster if he has been starting work on graduation plans for our seniors. Doing things like what was done in 2020. The school should be making it special for the 2021 seniors also.

Penterman- Reiterated mental health for our students and staff. Would like to see the Esser funds used to focus not only short term but long term on our students and staff mental health.

**Hear Visitors Regarding Non-Agenda Items**

none

Table Closed Session- District Administrator Annual Evaluation

**Adjourn**

Motion made by Penterman. Second by Klapatauskas. All Aye. Motion carried. Adjourned at 7:36 p.m.



Marie Karaba, Board President



Amy Penterman, Board Clerk