

**THORP BOARD OF EDUCATION  
REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING  
WEDNESDAY MARCH 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, March 17, 2021, in the Flex Room by Marie Karaba, Board President. Members present: Clint Klapatauskas, Amy Penterman, Ty Schneider, Jeanette Kodl and Marie Karaba. Also, in attendance Adrian Foster; 6-12 Principal, 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 Kodl to approve the agenda, second by Penterman. Voice vote. All Aye. Motion carried.

**Visitor Comments Agenda Items**

None

**Presentation/Demonstration- Career and Technical Education Department presentation and tour of facilities**

Mrs. Rhyner and Mrs. Steinbach presented on the science department. They reviewed ACT prep for students and how they incorporate ACT curriculum into daily work. In the science department PLC, they are tracking year over year prep vs ACT scores. Tracking to ensure students are prepared and understand what the questions are and how to properly answer. Students can self-track their ACT progress. Helps them set a goal and visually see how they are improving and what areas they need to work on.

**Consent Agenda**

- a. Approve Meeting Minutes
- b. Approve Expenditures

Motion made by Klapatauskas to approve the consent agenda. Second by Schneider. Voice vote. All Aye. Motion carried.

**Action Items/New Business**

- a. Review/Approve FY22 CESA 10 Service Contract

Motion made by Kodl to approve the FY22 CESA 10 contract. Second by Klapatauskas. Voice Vote. All Aye. Motion carried.

- b. Approve Hire of Fitness Center Manager

Motion made by Klapatauskas to approve hiring Dan Sutton as the Fitness Center Manager. Second by Kodl. Voice Vote. All Aye. Motion carried.

- c. Review/Approve High School Baseball Cooperative Agreement with Gilman (2021 only)

Motion made by Klapatauskas to approve High School Baseball Cooperative Agreement with Gilman for the 2021 baseball season only. Second by Kodl. Voice Vote. 4 Aye, 1 Nay. Motion carried.

- d. Review/Approve Summer School Plan

Motion made by Penterman to approve the Summer School Plan. Second by Kodl. Voice Vote. All Aye. Motion carried.

- e. Review/Approve Agreement with City of Thorp on North Park Baseball Field Use.

Motion made by Kodl to approve the agreement with City of Thorp on North Park Baseball Field use. Second by Schneider. Voice Vote. All Aye. Motion carried.

f. Approve Proposal to purchase new replacement scissor lift- Esser II Funds.

Motion made by Klapatauskas to approve the purchase of a new electric scissor lift model SJ111 3215119 using Esser II funds in the amount of \$10,605 from Dawes Crane. Second by Kodl. Voice Vote. All Aye. Motion carried.

g. Second Reading of School Board Policies 5000 – 9000

h. Review/Approve Plan for Prom

Motion made by Kodl to allow Juniors to bring one guest from outside the school district to prom. Guests must fill out a COVID survey prior to prom and have proper approval from the school. Second by Klapatauskas. Voice Vote. All Aye. Motion carried.

**Administrative Reports**

Mrs. Trowbridge reported in the elementary in 2018 student achievement proficiencies were in the 30 – 35 % range. The projections from early testing show student proficiency at 40 – 45%. Schools cube show that Thorp is doing higher than the country average. Teachers and students are struggling with no days off. The stress level is high. Top need for staff is for social and emotional help with students. Elementary will be bringing in a new curriculum that focuses on social and emotional needs for kids.

Student Services: Working on resurfacing the playground so kids with handicaps can get to the playground safely.

Mr. Foster reported that it was a great visit from guest Speaker Mike McGowen. He spent an entire day with Middle and High School students. He was able to break into smaller group sizes to address specific needs. He will be coming back to work with staff. Graduation date is set. Will be on the football field. As of now will allow 8 guests per graduate, they will need to socially distance in their own family group. Graduation will be livestreamed.

Mr. Blanford nothing to report as he reviewed his updates during the meeting.

**Board Reports**

none

**Hear Visitors Regarding Non-Agenda Items**

none

**Motion to Convene into Closed Session**

**Adjourn into Closed Session under WI Statutes 19.85 (1)(c) Considering employment, promotion, compensation or performance evaluation data of any public employee over which the governmental body has jurisdiction or exercises responsibility.**

a. **District Administrator Annual Evaluation**

b. **Summer School Teacher Pay**

Motion made by Klapatauskas to adjourn into closed session under Wis. Statutes 19.85(1)(c). Second by Kodl. Roll Call Vote: Karaba- yes, Kodl- yes, Schneider- Yes, Klapatauskas- yes, Penterman- Yes. Meeting adjourned at 8:13 p.m.

**Motion to return to Open Session**

Motion to return to open session made by Klapatauskas. Second by Kodl. Roll Call vote- Penterman- yes, Karaba- yes, Klapatauskas- yes, Kodl- yes, Schneider- yes. Motion carried at 9:14 p.m.

**Action as a result of Closed Session**

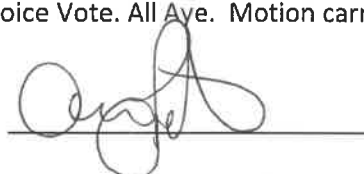
Motion made by Kodl to increase summer schoolteacher pay to \$30/hr. and allow 2- 30-minute paid prep periods. Second by Penterman. Voice vote 3 Aye, 2 abstain.

**Adjourn**

Motion made by Schneider to adjourn. Second by Penterman. Voice Vote. All Aye. Motion carried. Adjourned at 9:16 p.m.



Marie Karaba, Board President



Amy Penterman, Board Clerk