

**THORP BOARD OF EDUCATION
REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING
6:30 PM, WEDNESDAY DECEMBER 18, 2024
FLEX ROOM, THORP HIGH SCHOOL, 605 S 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 December 18, 2024, in the Flex room by Jeanette Kodl Board President. Members present, Amy Penterman, Jason Maier, Kristy Sterling and Cindy Campbell. Also, in attendance MS/HS Principal; Elementary principal Shaunna Schneider, HS principal Adrian Foster, Athletic Director Kurt Rhyner, district bookkeeper Brooke Rosemeyer, District office manager Dawn Rausch and District Administrator Bob Houts.

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 made by Campbell to approve the agenda. Second by Maier. Voice vote. All ayes. Motion carried.

Visitor Comments Agenda Items

None

Recognition of Student Achievement

Mrs. Schneider presented for Mrs. Sivertson's art students. Top artwork from students in the elementary will be displayed at the CESA building. A slideshow with the artwork was presented.

Recognition of Staff Achievement

None

Consent agenda

- a. Approve Regular & Closed Session Board Meeting Minutes from November 20
- b. Approve Expenditures

Motion by Maier to approve the consent agenda. Second by Campbell. Voice Vote. All ayes. Motion carried.

Action Items/New Business

- a. Discuss/Approve Hiring of Special Education Paraprofessionals
 - b. Final Reading on Board Policy 167.3–Public Participation at Board Meeting
 - c. Discuss/Approve Copier Contract with Bauernfeind Business Technologies
 - d. Change January Meeting Date
 - e. Preliminary Referendum Discussion – April 2025
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- a. Motion by Penterman to approve hiring 2 part-time special education paraprofessionals. Second by Maier. Voice vote. All ayes. Motion carried.
 - b. Motion by Sterling to approve final reading of board policy 167.3-public participation at board meetings. Second by Campbell. Voice vote. All ayes. Motion carried.
 - c. Motion by Campbell to approve copier contract with Bauernfeind Business Technologies as presented. Second by Sterling. Voice vote. All ayes. Motion carried
 - d. Motion by Maier to move the January meeting to January 8, 2025. Second by Campbell. Voice vote. All ayes. Motion carried
 - e. No action

Administrative Reports

Mr. Houts: Updated the board on any changes that could come from Act 10. Updated the board on Act 20, the district will need a policy in place by July 1, 2025

Mr. Rhyner: Updated the board on winter sports, baseball co-op, cross country changes (WIAA), and facilities update.

Mr. Foster: discussed MCteacher night, lockdown procedures and drills. Evacuation drills will be practiced in the spring. Updated the board on digital site mapping. The school was awarded a grant to help with the cost of drills from the Office of School safety in Madison.

Mrs. Schneider: Shared updated the board on Act 20 progress. Attended training with CESA. Working on sharing information with parents on middle of year testing. The testing team is working with CESA. Updated the board on the Kwik Trip Fundraiser. Updated the board on new hires. The hearing screening was done by Mrs. Morello collaborating with UWEC clinical students. Mrs. Beloungy completed vision screenings.

Adjourn into Closed Session: Adjourn into Closed Session: Adjourn into Closed Session: Under WI Statutes 19.85 (1) (c) for the purpose of considering employment, promotion, compensation, or performance evaluation data of any employee over which the governmental body has jurisdiction or exercises responsibility

- a. Discuss Preliminary Non-Renewals and Staffing Updates

Motion by Maier to convene to closed session at 7:39 p.m. Second by Penterman. Roll Call vote. Maier yes, Campbell yes, Sterling yes, Penterman yes, Kodl yes.

Motion to return to Open Session

Motion to return to open session by Penterman at 9:25 p.m. Seconded by Campbell. Roll call vote. Kodl yes, Penterman yes, Sterling yes, Maier yes, Campbell yes.

Action as a result of Closed Session

none

Motion to Adjourn

Motion made by Maier to adjourn at 9:26 p.m. Second by Campbell. Voice vote. All Ayes. Motion carried.

Jeanette Kodl, Board President

Amy Penterman, Board Clerk