

**THORP BOARD OF EDUCATION  
REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING  
6:30 PM, WENESDAY NOVEMBER 20, 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 November 20, 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 moving item g to closed session. Second by Penterman. Voice vote. All ayes. Motion carried.

**Visitor Comments Agenda Items**

None

**Recognition of Student Achievement**

FFA students spoke about the National FFA convention. Thorp Alumni Luke Schraufnagel, Wisconsin state FFA officer, presented his speech in which he received top 8 recognition in the nation.

**Recognition of Saff Achievement**

Mrs. Schneider recognized Kayla Tieman for successfully fundraising over \$5000 towards snacks for our elementary students through donations throughout the community.

**Consent agenda**

- a. Approve Regular & Closed Session Board Meeting Minutes from October 16
- b. Approve Expenditures

Motion by Maier to approve the consent agenda with correction to the closed session minutes from October meeting. Second by Campbell. Voice Vote. All ayes. Motion carried.

**Action Items/New Business**

- a. Discuss/Approve Line of Credit
  - b. Discuss/Approve 2024-25 Budget
  - c. Discuss/Approve Hiring of Food Service Position
  - d. Discuss/Approve Hiring of 6<sup>th</sup> Grade Aide
  - e. Discuss/Approve Hiring of 4K Aides
  - f. Discuss/Approve hiring the JV Girls Basketball Coach
  - g. Discuss Technology Updates
  - h. Anonymous Donation
  - i. Second Reading on Board Policy 167.3—Public Participation at Board Meeting
  - j. Preliminary Referendum Discussion—April 2025
- a. Motion by Maier to approve a \$400,000 line of credit with Forward Bank with an interest rate of 5.49%. Second by Sterling. Voice vote. All ayes. Motion carried.
- b. Motion by Penterman to approve the 2024-2025 budget as presented. Second by Campbell. Voice vote. All

ayes. Motion carried.

c. Motion by Campbell to approve Frankie Soto as Food Service position at a rate of \$25/hour. Second by Maier. Voice vote. All ayes. Motion carried.

d. Motion by Penterman to approve Jodi Owens as the 6<sup>th</sup> grade aide for 4 – 5 hours per day for the 2024-2025 school year. Second by Campbell. Voice vote. All ayes. Motion carried.

e. Motion by Maier to approve hiring 4K aides, Leanne Klapatauskas and Dan Guftason each 2 days per week. Second by Campbell. Voice vote. All ayes. Motion carried.

f. Motion by Penterman to approve hiring Addie Paskert as JV girls basketball coach. Second by Sterling. Voice vote. All ayes. Motion carried.

g. Motion by Sterling to approve purchase of 12 Neoline panels from Krista Computers for \$21,498. Second by Penterman. Voice vote. All ayes. Motion carried.

h. Motion by Penterman to approve accepting an anonymous \$20,000 donation towards Neoline panels. Second by Campbell. Voice vote. All ayes. Motion carried.

i. Motion by Campbell to table the reading of board policy 167.3 until December meeting. Second by Maier. Voice vote. All ayes. Motion carried.

j. no action

### **Administrative Reports**

Mr. Houts: Updated the board on the November election and possible changes and impact on public schools as well as funding changes that could affect our district.

Mr. Rhyner: Updated the board on fall seasons, post season coaches' meetings, updated the board on winter sports. Updated the board on the Wisconsin athletic director's association annual meeting.

Mr. Foster: Shared academic performance goals for MS and HS. Shared safe teen driving week activities.

Mrs. Schneider: Shared the school report card results. Elementary is exceeding and at 4 stars. Elementary has good results. Elementary staff are working on Act 20 training. Kwik Trip fundraiser has started.

**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; (f) for the purpose of considering medical, social or personal histories or disciplinary data of specific persons, which, if discussed in public, would be likely to have a substantial adverse effect upon the reputation of any person referred to in such histories or data.

a. Discuss employee conduct

b. Discuss Parent Concern

Motion by Maier to convene to closed session at 8:14 p.m. Second by Sterling. Roll Call vote. Campbell yes, Maier yes, Penterman yes, Kodl yes, Sterling yes.

### **Motion to return to Open Session**

Motion to return to open session by Campbell at 9:32 p.m. Seconded by Sterling. Roll call vote. Sterling yes, Kodl yes, Campbell yes, Maier yes, Penterman yes.

### **Action as a result of Closed Session**

none

### **Motion to Adjourn**

Motion made by Campbell to adjourn at 9:33 p.m. Second by Maier. Voice vote. All Ayes. Motion carried.