

**THORP BOARD OF EDUCATION  
REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING  
6:30 PM, WEDNESDAY, JULY 15, 2020  
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, July 15, 2020, in the Flex Room by Marie Karaba, Board President. Members present were Clint Klapatauskas, Amy Penterman, Marie Karaba, TY Schneider and Jeanette Kodl. Also, in attendance were: Adrian Foster, 6-12 Principal; Misti Trowbridge, SPED Director and 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**

A motion was made by A. Penterman to approve the agenda, second by J. Kodl. All aye. Motion carried.

**Visitor Comments Agenda Items**

None

**Consent Agenda**

A motion was made by A. Penterman to approve the consent agenda including Regular Meeting minutes of June 17, 2020 and closed session meeting minutes of June 17, 2020 and approve expenditures. Second by J. Kodl. All aye. Motion carried.

**Action Items/New Business**

Presentation by Chris Patritto from NEOLA. NEOLA will facilitate updating board policy. They provide 2 updates per year. Can be customized by school.

J. Kodl made a motion to approve NEOLA policy services.

J. Kodl amended her motion to approve hiring of NEOLA policy services at an initial cost of \$14,900 and \$3,100 per year after initial set up. That will also include an employee handbook at a cost of \$250 and a student handbook which is free. Second by A. Penterman. All Aye. Motion carried.

Presentation by Andrea Gribble from SocialSchool4EDU. Andrea presented what her company can do for Thorp's social media platform. They help facilitate and monitor social media for the school. They will gather content to share.

C. Klapatauskas made a motion to approve a 3-year contract with SocialSchool4EDU at \$8,500 per year. Second by J. Kodl. All Aye. Motion carried.

**Hear Visitors Regarding Agenda Items**

None

**Administrative Reports**

Mrs. Trowbridge Nothing to report.

Mr. Foster reported on the upcoming graduation ceremony. It will be moved to the football field. 40 of the 45 graduates will be in attending.

Mr. Blandford reported there was great feedback on survey's regarding opening school this fall. 57 staff members and 283 parent surveys were completed. There were over 20 pages of comments. Working on compiling the data. A steering committee has been formed. There are 16 members on the committee. Paul sat in on a zoom meeting with DPI. At this point they are being flexible with different counties having different orders in place. WIAA was also on the call and reported they want to leave athletics up to local control- no statewide tournaments. Paul also reported on touring local businesses, Wisconsin Bench, Thorp Equipment, Dutch Dairy LLC, and Hollands Family Cheese with Mr. Schraufnagel and Mrs. Noah.

### **Board Reports**

J. Kodl thanked everyone for all the work for the seniors and making the end of their senior year a good one. Also asked the question if the junior class was still going to hold prom? A meeting will be scheduled to discuss hosting prom. Need to get feedback from Junior class.

### **Hear Visitors Regarding Non-Agenda Items**

none

### **Motion to Convene 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 public employee over which the governmental body has jurisdiction or exercises responsibility.**

#### **A. Discuss/Approve Professional Staff Salary**

A motion was made by C. Klapatauskas to adjourn into closed session under WI Statutes 19.85 (1)(e) and 19.85 (1)(c), second by A. Penterman.

Roll call vote: M. Karaba, Aye; J. Kodl, Aye; T. Schneider, Aye; C. Klapatauskas, Aye; A. Penterman, Aye. Motion carried @ 8:16 p.m.

C. Klapatauskas and T. Schneider will be recusing themselves during this closed session.

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

A motion was made by J. Kodl to approve a wage increase to professional staff of \$1,040 for the 2020-2021 school year. Second by A. Penterman. All Aye. Motion Carried.

### **Adjourn**

A motion was made by J. Kodl to adjourn, second by A. Penterman. All aye. Motion carried at 9:10 p.m.



Marie Karaba, Board President



Amy Penterman, Board Clerk