

**Paris Consolidated School
Board of Education
Monthly Board Meeting Minutes**

Thursday, January 15, 2015
6:30 p.m.

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1. **Call to Order**-The meeting was called to order by President Deanna Krumm at 6:35 p.m.
2. **Pledge of Allegiance**
3. **Roll Call**- President Deanna Krumm, Vice-President Joan Hancock, Treasurer Dennis Hrupka, Clerk Colleen Belmont, Member Curt Nikula, and District Administrator Roger Gahart were present for the meeting.
4. **Approval of Agenda**- Mr. Gahart suggested that item #13 to before #5. With proposed change, a Hrupka/Hancock motion was made to approve the agenda. Motion carried 5-0.

13. Executive Session as exempt by Statute 19.82 and 19.85 (1)(c)

c) Considering employment, promotion, compensation, or performance evaluation data of any public employee.

At 6:43 p. m. a Hancock/Belmont motion was made to move into Executive Session. Motion carried 5-0.

At 7:28 p. m. a Hrupka/Hancock motion was made to move out of Executive Session. Motion carried 5-0.

5. **Recognition and Awards**-none
6. **Approval of Board Minutes**- A Hrupka/Nikula motion was made to approve the October 27 Tax Levy Certification meeting minutes and the December 18 Board meeting minutes. Motion carried 5-0.
7. **Approve Payment of Bills**- A Belmont/Hancock motion was made to approve payment of bills totaling \$175,571.59. Motion carried 5-0.
8. **Correspondence**- none
9. **Comments from the Floor**-none
10. **Reports**
 - A. **Treasurer's Report**- A Belmont/Hancock motion was made to approve the December Treasurer's report. Motion carried 5-0.

B. Administrator's Report-

1. We are now in the midst of our busiest time of the year for students, as we have boys basketball, cheerleading, band, choir, Sumo-Bot teams, Writers' Club, Forensics, Yearbook, Battle of the Books, as well as plans for this year's literacy unit all taking place! These co-curricular programs are important components of the total educational experience that we provide the children of Paris School. I thank the parents for their support and the coaches and advisors for their continued work and dedication to these programs.
2. On Saturday, January 10th, Paris School participated in an Educational Fair at Caterpillar College, in Kenosha. The Fair provided an opportunity for the parents of pre-schoolers to learn more about the top schools in the region. We greatly appreciate the invitation from Caterpillar College. We have some of their alumni at Paris and they come to us very well prepared for Kindergarten. Our booth looked amazing and was well-received. I cannot thank our team who designed the booth and spent the morning meeting new families enough for their outstanding work. Huge thanks to Beth LaBell, Margie Blair, Morgan Pitts, and Kennedy Curtis for their first-class representation of our school community.
3. Friday, January 23rd marks the end of our first semester, which means that we are already halfway through the school year! Second quarter parent/teacher conferences will be held the evening of January 29. Maintaining positive open lines of communication with our parents is vital for student success and we work very hard to communicate celebrations & concerns with parents throughout each quarter. That said, our teachers do not only meet with parents at conference time, but are always happy to meet with parents whenever the best interests of the children dictate.
4. Set your calendars for March 14th, 2015. This is the date of the Annual Spaghetti Supper. Our PSO fundraisers are always successful and enjoyable family events and we invite everyone from the community to come enjoy a fantastic home cooked meal!

11. Discussion

A. Spring Election for Board of Education Position – Mr. Gahart announced that Mrs. Joan Hancock submitted her non-candidacy papers. Her service on the Board is very much appreciated. Mrs. Colleen Belmont has submitted her candidacy papers, as did Mrs. Christina Kordecki.

B. Open Enrollment Update- The open enrollment period begins the first week of February. Mr. Gahart has started to schedule tours.

C. 2015-2016 Staffing- Mr. Gahart shared that the only area that they're watching closely is the Speech/Language Specialist position—there may be a need to add about 10%. Other positions are looking good at this point.

D. Update on Issues Regarding AT&T Services, Billing and Upgrades- AT&T owes a refund for taxes paid that shouldn't have been paid since the school is tax exempt. Also, the service increase requested by the school did not happen and instead an additional service was added, and they are billing for it. The staff continues to work on this very frustrating situation.

12. Action

- A. Approve Maximum Class Size Per Grade Level. Space Criteria = Class Size Coupled With Enrollment Projections** – Based on the attached (page 4) “January 15 2015 Official Meeting Record,” a Belmont/Hancock motion was made to approve the maximum class size per grade level. Motion carried 5-0.
- B. Approve Open Enrollment Actual Number of Spaces By Grade** - Based on the attached (page 4) “January 15 2015 Official Meeting Record,” a Hrupka/Hancock motion was made to approve the open enrollment actual number of spaces by grade level. Motion carried 5-0.
- C. Approve Maximum Special Education Program Caseload** - Based on the attached (page 4) “January 15 2015 Official Meeting Record,” a Nikula/Hancock motion was made to approve the maximum Special Education Program caseload. Motion carried 5-0.
- D. Approve Open Enrollment Actual Number of Special Education Program Spaces** - Based on the attached (page 4) “January 15 2015 Official Meeting Record,” a Nikula/Hancock motion was made to approve the open enrollment actual number of special education program spaces. Motion carried 5-0.
- E. Approve Guarantee of Approval to Currently-Attending Applicants and Siblings of Currently-Attending Pupils for 2014-2015 School Year**- Based on the attached (page 4) “January 15 2015 Official Meeting Record,” a Nikula/Hancock motion was made to approve guarantee of approval to currently-attending applicants and siblings of currently-attending pupils for 2014-2015. Motion carried 5-0.

13. Executive Session Action-none

- 14. Adjournment**- A Hrupka/Hancock motion was made to adjourn the meeting at 9:02 p.m. Motion carried 5-0.

Respectfully submitted,
Colleen Belmont, Clerk
Board of Education

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OFFICIAL MEETING RECORD - Motions on Action Items

Action Item A: Approve Maximum Class Size Per Grade Level. Space Criteria = Class Size Coupled With Enrollment Projections

Kindergarten 2015-16: Projected Enrollment = 16 Seats = 28 2 classes of 14 each
Grade One 2015-16: Projected Enrollment = 29 Seats = 28
Grade Two 2015-16: Projected Enrollment = 34 Seats = 28*

**Note:* One class of 1st grade and one class of 2nd grade, each with 19 seats.
One split class of combined of 9 first and 9 second grade students.

Grade Three 2015-16: Projected Enrollment = 33 Seats = 25
Grade Four 2015-16: Projected Enrollment = 29 Seats = 25
Grade Five 2015-16 Projected Enrollment = 31 Seats = 25
Grade Six 2015-16 Projected Enrollment = 30 Seats = 31
Grade Seven 2015-16 Projected Enrollment = 31 Seats = 31
Grade Eight 2015-16 Projected Enrollment = 31 Seats = 31

Action Item B: Approve Open Enrollment Actual Number of Spaces By Grade

Open enrollment spaces available for each grade for 2015-16 school year:

Kindergarten = 12, Grade One = 0, Grade Two = 0, Grade Three = 0, Grade Four = 0
Grade Five = 0, Grade Six = 1, Grade Seven = 0, Grade 8 = 0

Action Item C: Approve Maximum Special Education Program Caseload

Projected Special Education Caseload for our one Special Education Teacher = 20

Action Item D: Approve Open Enrollment Actual Number of Special Education Program Spaces

Open enrollment spaces available for Special Education Program = 0

Action Item E: Approve Guarantee of Approval to Currently-Attending Applicants and Siblings of Currently-Attending Pupils for 2015-2016 School Year