

**PUBLIC NOTICE OF A REGULAR SCHOOL BOARD MEETING OF
THE GALE-ETTRICK-TREMPEALEAU SCHOOL DISTRICT**

PUBLIC NOTICE is hereby given to the public and the news media pursuant to Wisconsin State Laws that a **REGULAR** meeting of the School Board of Joint School District No. 1 of the City of Galesville, Villages of Ettrick, and Trempealeau and Towns of Dodge, Caledonia, Ettrick, Gale, and Trempealeau in the County of Trempealeau and Town of North Bend in Jackson County, Wisconsin, will be held on **Monday, April 11, 2022** commencing at **6:30 p.m.** at **G-E-T High School Library** in the City of Galesville, Trempealeau County, Wisconsin and the preliminary agenda for said meeting is as follows:

1. Call Meeting to Order
2. Pledge of Allegiance
3. Roll Call of the Board
4. Proof of Public Notice
5. Mission Statement
6. Approval of Minutes
7. Approval of Financial Reports
8. Public Comments – Board may not take any action
9. Administrative Reports
 - A. Middle School Schedule (Pete Peterson)
10. Unfinished Business
 - A. Possible Action on Resignations/Retirements, Employment, and Transfers
 1. Resignations/Retirements
 - a. Teacher
 - b. School Psychologist
 - c. Paraprofessional
 - d. Custodial
 - e. Coach
 2. Employment
 - a. C-Team Baseball Coaches
 - B. Donations
11. New Business
 - A. Consider Recommendation to Hire an EL Teacher
 - B. Consider Health Insurance Recommendation
 - C. Consider Recommendation to Increase Summer School Pay and Curriculum Pay
12. Committee Reports
13. Board President Report
14. Review Timelines and Items for Future Board Agendas and Meetings
 - A. Monday, April 25 – Special Meeting @ 6:30 pm
 - B. Wednesday, April 27 – Negotiations Committee Meeting @ 6:30 pm
 - C. Thursday, May 5 – Committee Meetings
 1. Policy Committee Meeting @ 6:00 p.m.
 2. Finance Meeting @ 6:30 p.m.
 - D. Monday, May 9 – Regular Board Meeting @ 6:30 p.m.
 - E. Friday, May 27 – Graduation@ 7:00 p.m.
15. Adjournment

PUBLIC NOTICE is further given that any changes in the final agenda will be posted on the bulletin board located in the district office in Galesville not later than 24 hours prior to the meeting.

G-E-T SCHOOL BOARD AGENDA INFORMATION
Regular Board Meeting – April 11, 2022
High School Library

CALL MEETING TO ORDER

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

ROLL CALL OF THE BOARD

PROOF OF PUBLIC NOTICE

MISSION STATEMENT

The mission of the Gale-Ettrick-Trempealeau School District is to provide an education based upon a strong academic foundation in order to equip all students with skills to be productive and responsible citizens.

MEETING MINUTES

Request a motion to approve the minutes from the March 14, 2022 regular board meeting. **(Action)**

FINANCIAL REPORTS

If you have any questions about the reports, please call Cary Brommerich, District Office Manager, prior to the meeting. Request a motion to approve Payroll Vouchers #101132- #101147 in the amount of \$6,891.06 and Payroll Direct Deposit Vouchers #1006614 - #1007144 in the amount of \$691,265.51, and Vouchers #105671 - #105865 in the amount of \$1,872,781.19, and Petty Cash Vouchers #3230 - #3232 in the amount of \$425.00. **(Action)**

PUBLIC COMMENTS - Board may not take any action.

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS

A. Middle School Schedule (Pete Peterson)

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

A. Possible Action on Resignations/Retirements, Employment, and Transfers

1. Resignations/Retirements (Action for the following)

a. Teacher

Notes: Recommend a motion to approve the retirement of Doyle Smidt.

b. School Psychologist

Notes: Recommend a motion to approve the resignation of Jennifer Vogelsberg.

c. Paraprofessional

Notes: Recommend a motion to approve the resignation of Abby Miller, GE Paraprofessional at the end of the 2021-22 school year.

d. Custodial

Notes: Recommend a motion to approve the retirement of Dale Anderson, EE Custodian.

e. Coach

Notes: Recommend a motion to approve the resignation of Jeffrey Wiseman, Football Coach.

2. Employment (Action for the following)

a. C-Team Baseball Coaches

Notes: Recommend a motion to approve the hire of Jerry Marley & Shane Davis as C-Team Baseball Coaches (split position).

B. Donations (Action)

1. Notes: Recommend a motion to approve the following donations:

- a. \$50.00 from Jim & Marla Hanley for Library Books @ GE in honor of Julie Anderson.
- b. \$540.00 from Kyle Vogel for student assistance.
- c. \$1,000.00 from John Cance Memorial Trust for the Community Garden at GE.
- d. \$2,500.00 from Jeremy & Megan Moritz Family Gift to TE.
- e. \$2,500.00 Matching donation to TE from Moritz Family. Money to be used for TE playground.

NEW BUSINESS

A. Consider Recommendation to Hire an EL Teacher (Action)

- 1. Notes:** Through this school year, we have met our EL student needs by contracting a .5 EL Teacher through CESA. Our numbers of EL students for 2022-23 is expected to be well over 20. The administrative team concurs that we are not currently providing sufficient support for our EL students with a .5 EL Teacher.

B. Consider Health Insurance Recommendation (Action)

- 1. Notes:** The insurance committee met and agreed that our quote from Quartz is acceptable under the current conditions. Most districts are seeing 5-15% increases in premiums. Our premium came in on the low end with a 5% increase.

C. Consider Recommendation to Increase Summer School Pay and Curriculum Pay (Action)

- 1. Notes:** To ensure staffing for summer school with competitive pay, we are recommending increasing the rate of pay from \$25.50/hour to \$30/hour for regular courses and \$40/hour for credit recovery or academic courses.

Our curriculum pay is also below scale in comparison to salaries and the difficulty of work output expected. We are recommending an increase in the rate of pay from \$25/hour to \$30/hour for Initial 1 & 2 level teachers and \$35/hour for Professional and Leader level teachers.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

BOARD PRESIDENT REPORT

REVIEW TIMELINES AND ITEMS FOR FUTURE BOARD AGENDAS AND MEETINGS

- A. Monday April 25– Special Meeting @ 6:30 p.m.**
- B. Wednesday April 27– Negotiations Committee Meeting @ 6:30 p.m.**
- C. Thursday, May 5 – Committee Meetings**
 - o **Policy Committee @ 6:00 p.m.**
 - o **Finance Committee @ 6:30 p.m.**
- D. Monday, May 9 – Regular Board Meeting @ 6:30 p.m.**
- E. Friday, May 27 – Graduation @ 7:00 p.m.**

ADJOURNMENT

Gale-Ettrick-Trempealeau School Board Meeting Minutes
REGULAR SCHOOL BOARD MEETING
March 14, 2022

Vice President Mark Kopp called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. at G-E-T High School Library, Board members present: Paul Kinzer, Mark Kopp, Pat Malone, Kari Marley, Larry Moore, Harold Olson, and Todd Roessler. Missing Paul Halderson and Gene Hogden (arrived at 7:25 p.m.). Also present at the meeting: Michele Butler, District Administrator; Cary Brommerich, Business Manager; Pete Peterson, Sam Ruud, Melissa Wilber and Troy White, Principals.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE
ROLL CALL OF THE BOARD

PROOF OF PUBLIC NOTICE

Ms. Pehler verbally affirmed that the meeting had been properly posted.

MISSION STATEMENT

Mission statement was read by Ms. Malone, as agreed upon by the Board Members.

MEETING MINUTES

Ms. Malone made a motion to approve the minutes from the February 14, 2022, regular board meeting. Mr. Moore seconded this motion. Motion carried with an 7-0 voice vote.

FINANCIAL REPORTS

Mr. Kinzer made a motion to approve Payroll Vouchers #101117 - #101131 in the amount of \$3,017.75, Payroll Direct Deposit Vouchers #1006087 - #1006613 in the amount of \$702,045.81, and Vouchers #105321 - #105670 in the amount of \$881,810.72, and Petty Cash Vouchers #3228 - #3229 in the amount of \$470.00. Mr. Olson seconded this motion. Motion carried with an 7-0 voice vote.

PUBLIC COMMENTS - Board may not take an action.
No public comments.

CORRESPONDENCE

Ms. Butler read a communication from a parent thanking and praising Deb Kruger for the fine work she is doing with the After Care Program.

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS

A. Extra-Curricular Update

Mr. Schmidt highlighted the successes of the winter sports season. In addition, he informed the Board that 24 of our athletes attained Scholar-Athlete honors.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

A. Possible Action on Resignations/Retirements, Employment, and Transfers

1. Teacher

Ms. Malone made a motion to approve the below teacher retirements. Seconded by Mr. Roessler. Motion carried 7-0 voice vote.

- a. Kathy Beirne, EE 3rd Grade Teacher, end of school year
- b. Lyn Halderson, MS 7th Grade Teacher, end of school year

Mr. Kinzer made a motion to approve the below teacher resignations. Seconded by Ms. Marley. Motion carried 7-0 voice vote.

- a. Judith Wodzak, HS/MS/GE Speech and Language Teacher, end of school year
- b. Jane Sawell, MS 6th Grade Science Teacher, end of school year
- c. Chris Sebranek, TE 1st Grade Teacher, end of school year

2. Secretarial

Ms. Marley made a motion to approve the retirement of Lois Graf, MS Secretary, at the end of the school year. Seconded by Mr. Kinzer. Motion carried 7-0 voice vote.

3. Activity and Athletic Contracts

Ms. Malone made a motion to approve the below activity/athletic contracts.

Seconded by Mr. Olson. Motion carried 7-0 voice vote.

- a. Diane Thatcher, HS Drama Director
- b. Sue Byom, HS Assistant Drama Director
- c. Anne Hughes, HS GSA
- d. Sheryl Byom, Prom
- e. Jeanette Dooley, Prom
- f. Sam Ruud, MS Drama Director
- g. Sue Byom, MS Assistant Drama Director
- h. Jennifer Vogelsberg, MS Unity Club
- i. Rick Schmidt, HS Head Golf Coach
- j. Alexis Kiedrowski, MS Track Coach
- k. Jacob Sorenson, MS Track Coach
- l. Jordan Hauser, Assistant Varsity Baseball Coach

B. Review Proposed Revisions to the Board Policies – Second Reading

Mr. Kinzer made a motion to approve the below Board Policies as reviewed. Seconded by Ms. Marley. Motion carried 7-0 voice vote.

1. Review 800s
2. 355 – Academic and Career Planning
3. 457 – Student Suicide Prevention and Intervention
4. 830 (Rule) – Use of School Facilities Guidelines
5. 830.1 (Rule) – Use of Performing Arts Center Guidelines
6. 830.1 (Exhibit) – Performing Arts Center Fee Schedule
7. 837 – Lending of District Owned Equipment

NEW BUSINESS

A. Consider Awarding the Academic Excellence Scholarship

Ms. Marley made a motion to award Lucy Jumbeck as the designee based on selection criteria. Seconded by Mr. Kinzer. Motion carried by a 7-0 voice vote.

B. Consider Awarding the Technical Excellence Scholarship

Ms. Marley made a motion to award Kasey Teske as the designee based on selection criteria. Seconded by Mr. Kinzer. Motion carried by a 7-0 voice vote.

C. Consider Approval of Early College Credit and Start College Now Requests

Ms. Malone made a motion to approve all students presented who meet each of the three requirements per school board policy of Early College Credit and Start College Now. Seconded by Ms. Marley. Motion carried by a 7-0 voice vote.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

A. Buildings & Grounds: Ms. Marley shared the project list that was reviewed at the committee meeting last week. It was communicated that some of the projects were certain/scheduled, and some were on hold due to increases in material costs.

B. COVID-19 Advisory: Ms. Butler shared that this committee decided to suspend meetings for now. At a future date, if needed, the committee would reconvene. The committee recommended aligning current plans with CDC and DHS recommendations that are less restrictive than our current plan at this time.

BOARD PRESIDENT REPORT

None.

REVIEW TIMELINES AND ITEMS FOR FUTURE BOARD AGENDAS AND MEETINGS

- A. **Thursday, March 17 – Certified Negotiations @ 6:30 p.m. in the HS Library**
- B. **Thursday, April 7 – Committee Meetings**
 - Insurance Committee Meeting @ 5:30 p.m. – Tentative* – Rescheduled*
 - Handbook Committee Meeting @ 6:00 p.m.
 - Finance Committee Meeting @ 6:30 p.m.
- C. **Monday, April 11 – Regular Board Meeting @ 6:30 p.m.**
 - Agenda Items/Presentations: HS Block Schedule, MS Schedule – Music Programming, Board Reorganization
- D. **Monday, May 9 – Regular Board Meeting @ 6:30 p.m.**
 - Agenda Items/Presentations: Youth Apprentice Report

CLOSED SESSION

Ms. Malone made a motion to go into closed session. Seconded by Mr. Moore. Motion carried with a 6-2 voice vote. The Board went into closed session at 7:26 p.m. They discussed personnel topics.

Mr. Kinzer made a motion to return to Open Session at 9:13 p.m. Seconded by Mr. Moore. Motion carried by an 8-0 voice vote. Board returned to open session at 9:14 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT

Mr. Hogden made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 9:15 p.m. Mr. Olson seconded this motion. Motion passed with an 8-0 voice vote.

Forensics Team

Congratulations to the forensics team on their participation at the district-level competition on Saturday. Rylie Tourtellott, Xander Zeigler, Jescey Thompson, Jazmyn Roensch, Mattalyn Shanley, and Riley Sommerfeldt all qualified for the state competition April 8th! Well done!



FBLA @ WTC

Yesterday, March 15th, members of FBLA (Future Business Leaders of America) competed in the Financial and Investment Challenge Bowl at Western Technical College. They performed very well and made it into round 3 of the winner's bracket!



Vocal Point @ 2022 ICHSA Great Lakes Semifinal at the Pabst Theater in Milwaukee

Vocal Point Placed 4th at their semifinal on Saturday in Milwaukee where they competed against the top 10 groups from Illinois, Wisconsin, and Minnesota. They qualified for the Wild Card round where they will submit a video and compete against 17 other groups from around the country for a chance to get the last spot to perform at Finals in NYC.



Class of 2022 Graduation

This year we will celebrate the 2022 graduating class' resilience as they earn their high school diploma on May 27th at 7:30 pm. We will celebrate their ability to carve their own unique path in the midst of a world turned upside down. Our ceremony will be held at Gale-Ettrick-Trempealeau High School football stadium. While each graduate receives up to six reserved seats, we invite everyone wishing to attend to join us or watch on our Red Hawk TV. We are so proud of our graduates; they will truly be the innovators that lead us into a new and better future.

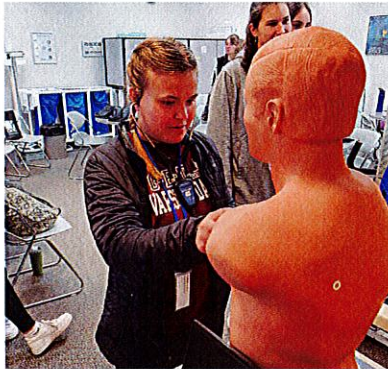
Important Information:

- Wednesday, May 18th: Senior Scholarships & Awards Ceremony - 6:30 pm in the Performing Arts Center
- Thursday, May 26th: Seniors' last day of school
- Friday, May 27th: 8:30 am - Senior sendoff breakfast and graduation practice.



College Exploration Fun

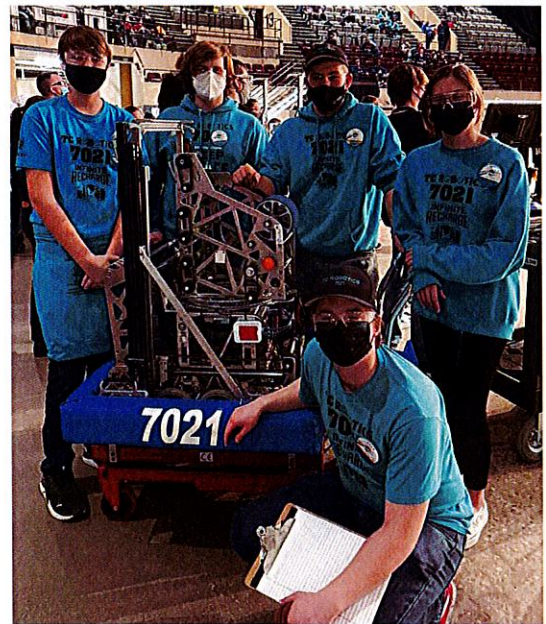
On Tuesday, March 8, while the junior class took the ACT test, we planned fun experiences for our other grade levels to get out of the building! Our 10th-grade students took a trip to UW-LaCrosse for a campus tour, ate an all-you-can-eat lunch at the Whitney Center, and checked out Western Technical College. Our 9th graders visited Chippewa Valley Technical College and had the opportunity to select tours based on their future occupation interests. They ended their day with a walking tour around UW-Eau Claire to check out their campus. We are so thankful for our partnerships with these schools and the experiences they provided our students!





Trempealeau County Robotics

This past weekend Trempealeau County Robotics attended the Northern Lights Regional in Duluth, MN. Out of 53 teams, we were ranked 2nd at the end of the qualification matches. This allowed us to be an Alliance Captain and pick our team for the playoffs. We finished 3rd overall getting eliminated in the semi-finals. Please congratulate the following students on this accomplishment. Aidan Dungy, Alexis Walker, Lily Womack, Melanie Tobais, Brandon Baker & Nathanael Sorenson.



FFA Sectionals

Last night the Cochrane - Fountain City FFA hosted the Sectional Leadership Development Contest where Jescey Thompson participated in the Extemporaneous and Prepared speaking contest and Kayliegh Konkel participated in the FFA Creed Contest. Jescey was named first place in the Prepared Public Speaking contest and will compete at the State FFA convention in June.





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School Board Report
Pete Peterson, Principal
Gale-Ettrick-Trempealeau Middle School
Month of: March

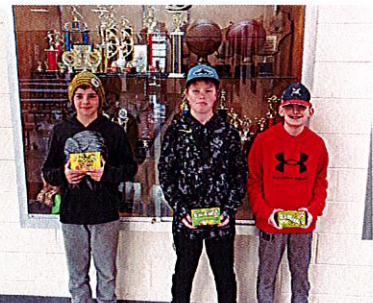
Middle School Building update

What is something to discuss:

- We have finalized our new building schedule for next year.
- We have finalized our Standard Based Reporting parent guide and will be sending out the new information to parents very soon.
- We have started our Forward Exam tests this last week and will continue for the rest of April. We will complete the district assessment STAR tests in May.

What is something to celebrate:

- We are planning our end of the year field trips. It is great to plan these again after two years off.
- We have started our spring sports with track and golf.
- The Middle School Play ran for the first time in three years. We are very thankful for Mr. Ruud, Mrs. Byom, and everyone else that helped make it so successful.





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School Board Report
Terri Fanta, Ettrick Elementary Principal, Curriculum, and Reading Specialist
April Report

Ettrick Elementary Building Update

-Third, fourth, and fifth-grade students have completed the Forward Exam measures in ELA, math, science, and social studies. I am proud to report that students took the exams seriously and really put in the time necessary to complete the exams in a We look forward to analyzing the results to note student strengths and also, needed student improvements. My thanks, especially, to Mrs. Beirne, Ms. Zachary, and Mrs. Guenther for their efforts in preparing our students for these measures.

-As of this writing, we are anticipating a great time at the G-E-T Middle School Musical, *The Stinky Cheese Man & Other Fairly Stupid Tales*. Thank you for the invitation, Mr. Ruud. This will tie in nicely with our all-school PBIS celebration and the end of state testing.

-Ettrick Elementary's Building Leadership Team/Logistics Team meets monthly to help in planning monthly staff meetings aligned with our Mission, Vision, and goals. The members of this team are the following: Autumn Story, Amy Schaefer, Kathy Beirne, Roxie Emerson, and Jamie Thill.

-Plans are underway for Environmental Awareness Day on April 22. We look forward to events such as this that we have enjoyed pre-pandemic.

Curriculum/Reading Specialist Update

-Data continues to be added to our new warehouse tool, eduCLIMBER. It is exciting to be able to note the progress of students across several years.

-Our professional development day on March 25 was a success. The admin team provided a variety of opportunities for staff to grow professionally. The following sessions were provided: PLC Leaders, Building PLC Capacity, Compassion and Resilience, Formative Assessment, MS Math Style, Equity - What's Next?, Safari through SLATE (School Leaders Advancing Technology in Education), Neurographic Art - SEL in Action

-Summer plans for curriculum work and other professional development opportunities are being planned. Particular area that will be addressed: K-8 Social Studies



School Board Report
Melissa Wilber
Galesville Elementary Principal

April 11, 2022

Galesville Elementary Building Update

4th graders began Forward testing on March 28th. 3rd and 5th graders began on April 4 with the much valued support of Allene Horton. Staff schedules these tests over several weeks to provide the least disruption to their schedule and allow for success. Our focus is showing what we know and doing our best.

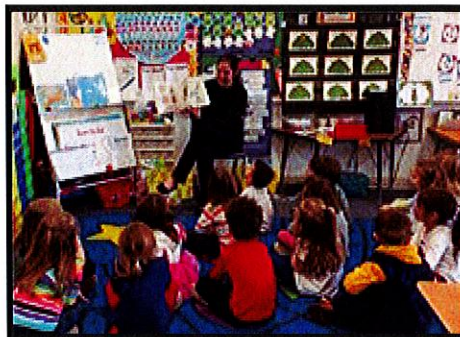
PreK-5 students enjoyed learning about agriculture for our annual Ag Day on March 28th. Thank you to Mrs. Andersen and our high school students for making this day happen.

Jean Wallner and Angie Lavery have been working diligently to get the school garden ready and prosperous. Various classrooms have also been helping in the process of growing seedlings. We are enjoying our new grow cart that was acquired through a recent grant. Many of our seedlings will then transfer to the school garden where they will be harvested for the community to enjoy.

Mrs. Wilber visited every classroom to share the book Circles All Around Us, a children's book focused on spreading kindness and acceptance for all while creating bigger and bigger community circles.

On April 6, seniors visited our school to support student learning and help complete classroom projects. Students loved getting to work with the "big kids" in their building.

On April 8, all elementaries traveled to the PAC to enjoy a special viewing of the middle school play *The Stinky Cheese Man and Other Fairly Stupid Tales*. It was a great opportunity to be together and experience the arts right here at G-E-T in our new facility.





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School Board Report
Sam Ruud, Trempealeau Elementary Principal
April Report

Trempealeau Elementary Building Update

- 3-5 graders are in the middle of taking their Forward assessments. The team of 3-5 grade teachers have been meeting since January to discuss how to prepare students for this assessment so that it best represents how much they have grown this past year. Students will be taking the assessments throughout April and will wrap up by April 29th. Tests are done by subject and are scheduled over different days.
- Teaching staff has been utilizing time during building - wide PLCs to focus on specific students and their needs. This has helped us be proactive in guiding support where it is needed most.
- The 4th graders traveled to Madison to tour the Capitol and the Wisconsin Veterans Museum. This was connected to the work they do studying Wisconsin during their 4th grade year.
- The 2022-23 school year will be here before we know it and TE staff members have already started thinking about what it will look like. Our Building Leadership Team will meet this month to discuss scheduling for next year.
- While we won't have the normal Environmental Day Trempealeau Elementary is used to, staff will be incorporating environmental activities into lessons during April and we will be dividing and conquering by grade level with clean up around the Trempealeau community.

