

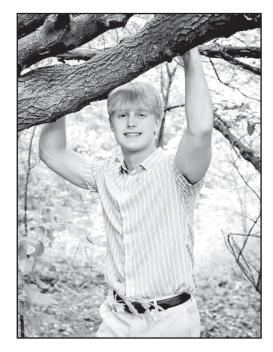
# The Oakfield Difference

Our Roots Run Deep - Our Branches Stretch Far

October 2023

Oakfield School District, 250 E. Church St., Oakfield, WI 53065

#### Senior Spotlight - Treyden Marchenkuski



**Future Careeer?** Strength Coach/ Personal Trainer

**Favorite High School Memory** Going to State for baseball

**Favorite Teacher** Mr. Mock

**Favorite Subject** History with Mr. McCarty

One word to describe you? Interesting

#### Beater of the Month - Landon Mortimer



Make/Model: 2001 Ford F150

Miles: Over 200,000

Years you have owned it: About a year and a half

**Special Features:** The Muffler



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#### **Dates to Know**

Homecoming Week: October 8 - 14 P/T Conferences Oct 24 &26 No School Oct 27

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## Message From Mr. Brown



We are in full swing of the new academic year. I couldn't be happier to share the tremendous success we experienced during the opening of our new school this year. The seamless transition into our state-of-the-art facility was made possible by the collaborative efforts of our dedicated staff, supportive parents, and, of course, our incredible students. Your enthusiasm and commitment to education set a positive tone for the entire school, making this a launch to remember.

Our students have truly outdone themselves with their outstanding behavior and eagerness to learn. We have witnessed a strong sense of community within our school along with high level of engagement in the classroom. This speaks volumes to the dedication of our educators and the curiosity of our students. Keep up the fantastic work, everyone!

A special note of appreciation goes out to Taher Food Service for their outstanding commitment to providing nutritious and delicious meals for our students. Their dedication to quality reflects our shared commitment to the well-being of our students, ensuring they have the fuel needed for success both academically and beyond. I have never seen happier students during lunch or such a full cafeteria during high school lunch.

As we step into October, exciting events await on the horizon. Our homecoming festivities promise to be a highlight, celebrating the spirit and unity that make our school truly special. Additionally, we will be hosting parent-teacher conferences at the end of October. Parent-Teacher conferences are a valuable opportunity to strengthen the partnership between home and school. Your involvement is crucial, and we look forward to discussing your child's progress and goals for the academic year.

Mark your calendars for a special Community Open House for the new building on October 6 from 4-6 pm. We invite you to explore our modern facilities, meet teachers, and witness firsthand the dynamic learning environment we've created for our students

It remains an absolute honor to serve the great School District of Oakfield. Thank you for being an integral part of our school community. Together, we will continue to foster an environment where every student thrives. Here's to a month filled with learning, laughter, and shared achievements. GO OAKS!

Timothy J. Brown (920) 583-3958 tbrown@oakfield.k12.wi.us

#### **Upcoming Events**

Friday, October 6: No School: Professional Development
Friday October 6, 2023: Community Open House 4:00 - 6:00pm
Monday October 9, 2023: School Board Meeting 5:30 @ MS/HS Library
October 8 - 14: Homecoming Week

- -Powder Puff Football: Sunday, October 8. 12:00pm
- -Pep Rally and Bonfire, Thursday, October 12. 7:00pm @ MS/HS Gym
- -Homecoming Dance, Saturday, October 14. 7:00 11:00pm

Monday, October 16: NAIKU Pre-ACT Testing for all students in grades 9-11 8:00-11:00am

Wednesday, October 18: Middle School Fall Concert 7:00pm @ MS/HS Gym

Monday, October 23: School Board Meeting 5:30pm @ MS/HS Library

*Tuesday, October 24:* Parent-Teacher Conferences 3:30 - 7:30pm *Wednesday, October 25:* High School Fall Concert 7:00pm @ MS/HS Gym

Thursday, October 26: Parent-Teacher Conferences 3:30 - 7:30pm

Friday, October 27: No School

Friday, November 3: Middle School Fall Dance 5:00 - 7:00pm

## Message from Mrs. Doyle



The Oakfield Elementary students have had an outstanding start to the school year. Students are settling into their classes and staff are getting to know their new classroom families. Staff kicked off the school year by doing fun activities to build relationships within their learning environment.

Thank you to all the parents who were able to attend Parent/Teacher Orientations, read through materials provided by teachers, or watch videos to learn about your child's classroom expectations and routines. This is an important time to learn about your child's classroom and ways to support their success during the year. Building a solid relationship with your child's teachers will help build a strong foundation on which the year will progress with positive communication, understanding roles and responsibilities, and holding children to high expectations that they are able to achieve.

Parent/Teacher Conferences are right around the corner. They will be held on Tuesday, Oct. 24, and Thursday, Oct. 26 from 3:30 - 7:30 PM. Parents will once again sign up for times using the PowerSchool site. More information to come.

Getting Into The Game at OES is our school theme this year. We are challenging students and families to get into the game of learning and being involved at Oakfield Elementary. Please lean on staff to support your child's needs as well, but even more importantly empower your child to be the leader in their learning, social skills, and healthy habits in life. We can't wait to cheer students on as they reach their goals this year.

Message from Mrs. Doyle -Oakfield Elementary Principal











## Message from Ms. Conners



#### Superintendent's Update: Oakfield School District's Progress and Challenges

Dear Oakfield Community,

I am pleased to share with you the latest developments within our school district, from exciting renovations to important financial matters. Oakfield's commitment to providing a top-notch educational experience remains steadfast. Here are some key updates:

#### \*\*Celebrations\*\*

- 1. Middle School/High School Renovation: The renovation at our middle school/high school is nearly complete. The final touches include the soffit and front entrance flashing, along with fine-tuning of low voltage electric systems, such as cameras, door access, and electronic signage.
- 2. Elementary School Safe Entrances: Our elementary school design team has commenced planning for "safe entrances" at both the elementary school and child care facilities. Ensuring the safety of our students and staff is a top priority.
- 3. Elementary School Theme: The elementary school's theme this year is "sports," emphasizing goal setting, teamwork, and overcoming obstacles. We are excited to see our young students embrace these values.

#### \*\*Facility Health\*\*

- 1. Middle School/High School Improvements: We have made significant improvements at the middle school/high school, including the removal of cast iron wastewater pipes, adding LED lighting throughout the building, secured entrances, upgraded electrical systems, central air conditioning with a new chiller, new emergency generators, and new heating boilers.
- 2. Elementary Upgrades: The planned upgrades for the Elementary School include LED lighting installation, HVAC system control upgrades, and secure entrance designs for both child care and elementary school.

#### \*\*Financial Health\*\*

- 1. Capital Referendum: We have allocated the bulk of the \$16 million dollar referendum for the middle school/high school classroom addition and full building renovation. Funds have been reserved for the elementary school, primarily for LED lights, HVAC controls, and secure entrances. We are exploring ways to ensure the security and growth capacity of both the child care and the elementary school within this plan.
- 2. Operating Referendum: Currently, we are in the fourth year of a five-year operating referendum. This allows us to allocate additional funds above the state's revenue limit cap, ranging from \$1 million to \$1.1 million each year. These funds are vital for staff salaries, benefits, and annual maintenance and supplies. In 2024, we will seek community support to renew this operating referendum, crucial for our district's financial stability.
- 3. Private School Vouchers: The Private School Voucher program is state mandated and requires a portion of your tax dollars to be allocated to private schools. These dollars are included in the school district taxes on your tax bill. The 2023-25 biennial budget has significantly increased public tax dollars for students enrolled in private schools, affecting our district's mill rate. It is important to note the School District of Oakfield does not receive these dollars from the community tax collection.

As your district administrator, I am proud of the progress we've made and the dedication of our staff, students, and community members. Together, we will continue to ensure the School District of Oakfield remains a place of growth, excellence, and safety for all, a place where "our roots run deep and our branches stretch far".

Thank you for your ongoing support.

Sincerely, **Tracey Conners** Oakfield School District

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#### HAPPY HALLOWEEN

WORD SEARCH

AFTERLIFE	GHOUL
AUTUMN	GRIM REAPER
BAT	HAUNT
BLACK	HOWL
BLOOD	MASK
BOO	MIDNIGHT
BROOMSTICK	MOON
CACKLE	MUMMY
CADAVER	OCTOBER
CANDY	OGRE
CASKET	OWL
CAT	PHANTOM
CAULDRON	PRANK
COBWEB	SKELETON
COFFIN	SPIDER
CREEPY	TOMBSTONE
DEMON	TRICK
EERIE	VAMPIRE
GHOST	WEREWOLF

WITCH

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#### **Swim Team**

Oakfield High School co-ops with Fond Du Lac for highschool swim. Girls swim is a fall sport that starts in August, and ends in November. Boys swim is a Winter sport that starts in November and ends in February. Swim team enrollment is open to any Oakfield High School student (girl or boy.) The Fondy Swim Team has frequent meets between home (Fond du lac Aquatic Center), and away meets. Traveling to Appleton west & east, Oshkosh west & north, Sheboygan, Neenah, DePere, and usually Ashwaubenon and Wauwatosa. If interested in joining, contact Mr. Mock (dmock@oakfield. k12.wi.us) and head coach Lauren Zivkovich (ZivkovichL@fonddulac.k12.wi.us) for girls. Head coach Nikki Schneider (mikenikkibella@ gmail.com) for boys.

We sat down with head coach Lauren Zivkovich and talked about swim and the season.

#### How long have you been coaching?

I have been the head coach of Fondy Swim & Dive for 9 years. I've been a part of the program for 11 years.

#### Why do you think people should join this team?

Swim & Dive is a no cut program. We love all walks of student athletes. We become family. We laugh and cry together, but at the end of the day, we're still family.

#### How do you think the season is going so far?

This season has been awesome! It's our biggest team yet of 34 athletes. Though it can make the puzzle of line ups more difficult, it has been a rewarding season so far.

#### What is your favorite thing about this team?

My team is my favorite thing. I love watching individuals grow themselves and push themselves to be better versions of themselves.





#### **FFA Report**

This past summer, the officer team went on a retreat to Devils Lake. There they were able to work hard to plan and prepare for the upcoming year, as well as bond as a team. On September 27, the officer team went to Fall Leadership Conferences that were held in Markesan. Officers were able to learn from the state officer team about what characteristics are in a good leader, and how to be them.

On October 3rd, FFA members were given the opportunity to go to the World Dairy Expo. While at the expo members were able to gather valuable information about dairy equipment and different breeds.

-Rhyan Vielbig, FFA Reporter 2023-24

#### Volleyball

Oakfield Volleyball has had a challenging start to the 2023-24 season as the level of competition in our Trailways East Conference is strong throughout. With two conference losses to Lourdes Academy and Valley Chirstian early on, Lady Oaks were able to sweep Dodgeland in three hard-fought sets. The Lady Oaks took two of their four matches in the Fall River Tournament, placing 5th overall. Oakfield rode their momentum into CWC & Wayland Academy. The lady Oaks won both of those matches.

Coach Kintzler is hoping that the inconsistencies and experiences of the early season will payoff with a lot of growth and teamwork to end the season with wins and make a strong playoff push. The Lady Oaks finished their home line-up on September 28th against Horicon.







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#### **Football**

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Coach Rickert and 4 senior captains Bailey Schepp, Hunter Sabel, Westin Bass, and Treyden Marchenkuski were interviewed about how they think the season is going so far.

#### **Coach Rickert**

The 2023 season for the Oakfield Varsity Football Team is underway. The team started the year with a close victory at home against Wisconsin Heights on August 25th. The team then went on long trips the next two weeks with a 43-6 win at Wonewoc Center-Weston and at 53-0 win at Kickapoo. Oaks returned home on September 15th against Valley Christian (Oshkosh) in a battle of two teams that were 3-0. The Oaks took a strong 43-8 win.

The offense and the defense are both clicking and several players have registered stats in the top 10 of 8 player football in Wisconsin: Bailey Schepp for Quarterback rating, Mitchell Moser in receiving yards and punt returning, and Westin Bass for punting and extra point percentage. Hunter Sabel and Bailey Schepp are just out of the top 10 in total tackles.

The Oaks will return to the road for games at Menominee Indian and Williams Bay and finish up the year at home for Parent's Night on October 6 against Elkhart Lake and for Homecoming on October 13 against Abundant Life Christian School. Come root your Oaks on as they make a push for the playoffs.

#### **Bailey Schepp**

What's your favorite memory of football? Being the best middle school football team ever assembled

What are the team goals? Make it to state

Pre Game rituals?
Talk it up with Trey

Favorite NFL Player? Will Clapp

#### **Hunter Sabel**

What's your favorite memory of football? Breaking my leg
What are the team goals?

Win conference

Pre Game rituals?

Feeding the chickens

Favorite NFL Player? Mike Vick





#### **Westin Bass**

What's your favorite memory of football? The Oklahoma Drill

What are the team goals? Go far in playoffs

Pre Game rituals?

Chasing a live chicken

Favorite NFL Player? B.J. Raji

#### Treyden Marchenkuski

What's your favorite memory of football? Beating Belmont for homecoming

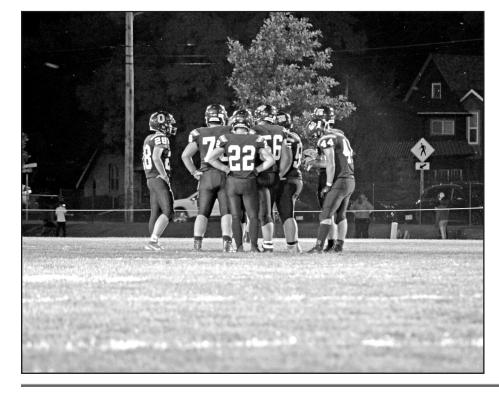
What are the team goals?

Win conference

*Pre Game rituals?*Listen to Lord Knows by Meek Mills

Favorite NFL Player?

Jaire Alexander





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#### October is Down Syndrome Awareness Month!

During October we celebrate people with Down syndrome and the unique gifts they bring to our lives. People with Down syndrome are more like everyone else than different.



Isaac is a sixth grade student at Oakfield Middle School, and to celebrate Down syndrome awareness month, he wants to remind everyone the importance of inclusion and acceptance of all.

Here are some facts about Down syndrome from the National Down Syndrome Society:

- Down syndrome is named after John Langdon Down, the British physician who described the syndrome for the first time in 1866.
- Down syndrome occurs when an individual has a full or partial extra copy of chromosome 21, and is also referred to as Trisomy 21.
- Approximately one in every 772 babies in the United States is born with Down syndrome, making Down syndrome the most common chromosomal condition.
- Inclusions benefits everyone.
- Down syndrome results in hypotonia (lower muscle tone) which is why some things, such as, talking and walking take extra effort.
- People with Down syndrome are very loyal friends and just want to have fun like everyone else.

### OAKFIELD FIREMEN'S AUXILIARY FRESH FALL FLOWER & BAKE SALE

Flower arrangements are perfect for the holiday season; order one for yourself, a family member or a friend!

Proceeds will be used for the Fire Department's Equipment Fund



#### ARRANGEMENT CHOICES

- \$25: Glass bud vase with fall colors
- \$35: Natural basket with fall colors
- \$45: Centerpiece; choice of fall or winter colors

Arrangements will vary slightly and are guaranteed fresh by:

#### HEARTFELT FLOWERS in Lomira

Orders with payments can be mailed to: Rose Collien, PO Box 175, Oakfield, WI 53065 Or dropped off at: Oakfield Elementary School Office or Oakfield Village Office

> ~ Pick-up date & Bake Sale ~ Tuesday, Nov. 21st 2 - 6 p.m. Oakfield Community Center

#### THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT !!!

Na	ame:	Phone:			
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	A. Bud Vase	\$25 x		_ =	
	B. Natural Basket	\$35 x		_ =	 
	C. Centerpiece: Fall Colors	\$45 x	_ = _		
	Winter Colors	\$45 x	_ = _		
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#### \*ALL ORDERS MUST BE PREPAID BY 11/13/23\*

Please make checks payable to: Oakfield Firemen's Auxiliary or Pay with Venmo: @auxiliaryoakfieldfire \*NEW THIS YEAR- Order online! See our Facebook page at www.facebook.com/profile.php?id=100079687002978 or search for Oakfield Ladies Fire Auxiliary

#### **Badger Boys State**

Lions President Ed Smith congratulates our Badger Boys State Representative Rueben Arellano. The Oakfield Lions sponsored Rueben at Badger Boys Camp held each summer. Badger Boys is a camp where high school students are educated to be more informed and impactful in their communities.



## The Oakfield Child Care Center is hiring!

- Preference given to applicants with an Early Childhood License/ Registry hours or experience working with children in a child care setting
- Qualified applicants must be over 18 years of age, friendly, patient, and flexible in working well with children ranging from birth thru school-age
- Responsible for helping the lead teacher with daily classroom schedules
- Looking for someone with a positive and professional outlook when interacting with parents and children

#### Hours will vary Monday-Friday

- -Benefits for part-time lead position: vacation and PTO days, holiday pay, and discounted childcare.
- -Benefits for non-lead part-time position: discounted childcare

#### Positions Available

- -Part time-lead school-age teacher
- -Assistant part-time pm float/closer

### Red Cross Blood Drive



The Oakfield Lions Club Sponsored the recent Red Cross Blood Drive held Sept. 20 at the Oakfield Community Center.

We were fortunate to have collected 35 units of LIFE SAVING BLOOD, however, we are more than 10 units short of our goal for the year. To those who are able to step up and donate, please know that we appreciate the effort that you make. We recently have lost several of our dedicated donors because of medical reasons. Each and every unit is a gift. If you have ever experienced a loved one or a dear friend who is in need of a blood transfusion, you know how important this gift is. Here in Oakfield, we are blessed. The Red Cross does generiously provides funds for scholarships. The amount of funds we receive depends on the total units we are able to collect over a 12 month period. We have 5 Blood Drives throughout the year, normally, Sept, December, March, May and July. We need your help. The following is a printout of the funds received from the Red Cross in past years and the students who received the scholarship money. With that, please realize that our staff of workers and our Lions Club Membership is becoming more aged and we need new members to serve. We welcome you to "Give Back and To Serve" this Oakfield Community. we are asking for an infusion of new members and new ideas.

Here is a run down on scholarships we've given out since 2013 when we gave out the first Red Cross scholarships. Every year we have been able to award a scholarship to each student who applied.

- 2013 Lions scholarships 2 for a total of \$800, the Kraft family gave the Lions \$400 to give out as a one-time scholarship, and we gave out 4 Red Cross scholarships for a total of \$1000
- Lions scholarships 3 for a total of \$1200 2014 4 Red Cross scholarships for a total of \$1000
- 2015 Lions scholarships 4 for a total of \$1200
- 5 Red Cross scholarships for a total of \$100 Lions scholarships 4 for a total of \$1400 2016
- 3 Red Cross scholarships for a total of \$750 2017
- Lions scholarships 5 at \$300, 1 at \$100 for a total of \$1600 Lions Scholarships 2 at \$350 and 2 at \$325 for a total of \$1350 2018
- 3 Red Cross scholarships for a total of \$750
- 2019 Lions scholarships 2 at \$400 and 3 at \$150 for a total of \$1250 Red Cross 3 for a total of \$750
- Only 2 girls applied that year so 1 got the Lions scholarship of \$750 and 2020 1 got the Red Cross scholarship of \$750 1 Lions scholarship for \$1000 and 1 Red Cross for \$1000 and 2 Red 2021
- Cross for \$750 each for a total of \$2500 2022 Lions Scholarships 3 at \$600 each and 1 at \$350 for a total of 2150 Red
- Cross 1 at \$250 3 Red Cross at \$750 for a total of \$2500 Lions scholarships 3 for a total of \$2250 Red Cross 1 for \$1500 and 1 2023 for \$1000

Respectfully, Karen Bovee Kern, Blood Drive Coordinator

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### **Regular Board Meeting**

(Monday, August 28, 2023)

Generated by Heather Bradwin-Haseman on Tuesday, August 29, 2023

#### 1. Introduction

Procedural: A. Call to Order

President Dercks called the meeting to order at 5:30

Procedural: B. Pledge of Allegiance

Procedural: C. Roll Call

Present: Paul Dercks, Angie Patterson, Heidi Kopf, Jessica Shepherd

Absent: John Totz, Tim Wiese, Sal Arellano Staff: Tracey Conners, Tim Brown, Becky Doyle Other: None

Procedural: D. Board Mission Statement

#### 2. Consent Agenda

Action (Consent): A. Approval of Consent Agenda Recommended Action: Move to approve all items under consent agenda.

Mrs. Patterson seconded by Mr. Dercks moved to approve the consent agenda as presented. Motion carried 4/0/3

Action (Consent), Minutes: B. July 10, 2023 Regular **Board Meeting minutes** 

Recommended Action: Move to approve the July 10, 2023 Regular Board meeting as presented. Action (Consent), Minutes: C. July 28, 2023 Special

Board Meeting minutes Recommended Action: Move to approve the July 28, 2023 Special Board Meeting minutes as present-

Action (Consent), Minutes: D. August 14, 2023 Regular/Board Planning meeting minutes

Recommended Action: Move to approve the August 14, 2023 meeting minutes as presented.

Action (Consent): E. Warrants through August 25,

Recommended Action: Move to approve warrants through August 25, 2023

#### 3. Public Comments

Information: A. Public Comment Procedures No public comments

#### 4. Reports

Information: A. Administrator Reports

Mrs. Conners reviewed her notes, discussed a possible staff video, showed original referendum video to Board and Board agreed that we have accomplished what we were going to with the referendum thus far. Proud of achieving goals.

Discussion, Information: B. DLT Reports

Mrs. Doyle reviewed the elementary school and childcare: fun summer for OES with summer school and camps. Shout out to Mr. Rickert, Mrs. Lindsley, Mrs. Pollpeter and Mrs. Mohr for offering summer camps to keep kids engaged and busy. Special mention to Brittany Bergum setting up tours for new families this summer. And a shout out to Madison Dietzel for all her bilingual work with registration and throughout the summer. Daycare has added 5-6 families between babies and 3 year olds room. Looking forward to a great year.

Mr. Brown reviewed the middle and high school: Thank you to the Board and Ms. Conners for another year of confidence. Sports have started, staff is excited and looking forward to a great school year.

Information: C. Financial Update

Preliminary budget brought to the Board at the next meeting.

Information: D. CESA 6 Update no update at this time

#### 5. Action Items

Action, Discussion: A. MOU for Sheriff

Recommended Action: Move to approve the MOU for the Sheriff's Office as presented.

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Mrs. Patterson, seconded by Mrs. Kopf moved to approve the MOU for the Sheriff's Office as presented. Motion carried 4/0/3

Action: B. MOU for Counseling

Recommended Action: Move to approve the MOUs for counseling.

Mr. Dercks, seconded by Mrs. Patterson moved to approve the Affiliated and Alicia Hans MOUs for counseling. Motion carried 4/0/3

Action: C. District's Safe Return to School Plan Mr. Dercks, seconded by Mrs. Kopf moved to approve the District's Safe Return to School Plan with the updated dates. Motion carried 4/0/3

#### 6. Next Meetings

Information: A. Committee of the Whole meeting, Sept. 11 2023 at 5:30 p.m. at MS/HS IMC

Information: B. Regular Meeting-Monday, September 25, 2023 at 5:30 p.m. at MS/HS IMC

#### 7. Adjournment

Action: A. Adjourn

Recommended Action: Move to adjourn

Mr. Dercks, seconded by Mrs. Patterson moved to adjourn the meeting at 6:27 p.m. Motion carried 4/0/3

#### Committee of the Whole (Monday, September 11, 2023)

Generated by Heather Bradwin-Haseman on Friday, September 15, 2023

#### 1. Introduction

Procedural: A. Call to Order

President Dercks called the meeting to order at 5:32

Procedural: B. Pledge of Allegiance

Procedural: C. Roll Call

Present: Paul Dercks, Angie Patterson, Heidi Kopf, Jessica Shepherd, John Totz, Sal Arellano

Absent: Tim Wiese

Staff: Tracey Conners, Becky Doyle, Tim Brown, Jackie Hungerford, Heather Bradwin-Haseman, Bre Reis Other:

Procedural: D. Board Mission Statement

#### 2. Reports

Ms. Conners gave the Administrator Report for the district.

#### 3. Discussion Items

Discussion: A. Preliminary Draft Budget Ms. Conners and Mrs. Hungerford presented the draft budget to the Board.

Discussion: B. First Reading NEOLA policies

#### 4. Next Meetings

Information: A. Regular Meeting, Monday September 25, 2023 at 5:30 p.m. MS/HS IMC

Information: B. Committee of the Whole, Monday October 9, 2023 at 5:30 p.m. MS/HS IMC

#### 5. Adjournment

Action: A. Adjourn

Mr. Dercks, seconded by Mr. Totz moved to approve the meeting at 6: 11 p.m. Motion carried 6-0-1

#### Regular Meeting/Board Summer **Planning**

#### (Monday, August 14, 2023)

Generated by Heather Bradwin-Haseman on Thursday, August 17, 2023

#### 1. Introduction

Procedural: B. Call to Order

President Dercks called the meeting to order at 5:30

Procedural: C. Pledge of Allegiance

Procedural: D. Roll Call

Present: Paul Dercks, Angie Patterson, Heidi Kopf, Jessica Shepherd, John Totz, Sal Arellano

Absent: Tim Wiese

Staff: Becky Doyle, Tim Brown, Molly Liebelt, Doug Mock, Jackie Hungerford, Amy Steinke, Jon Wessel, Heather Bradwin-Haseman, Bre Reis

Other: Jared Tatro-Nexus

Procedural: E. Board Mission Statement

#### 2. Summer Planning District Leadership Team/ **Board Workshop**

Information: A. Elementary Facility Planning Jared Tatro from Nexus presented the preliminary drawings/plans for the renovations and safe entrance at the elementary school. The Board has asked for a plan for the future of the parking lot as well. Ms. Conners asked John Totz, Jessica Shepherd and Heidi Kopf to participate in the planning meetings with Nexus moving forward.

Information: B. Plan on a Page 22-23, Goals 23-24 Ms. Conners reviewed the plan on the page and the goals set forth for this school year.

Information: C. Dinner/Break (15 minutes)

#### 3. Consent Agenda

Action (Consent): A. New Hires

Recommended Action: Move to appoint Eli Liebelt as the MS science teacher and move to approve Pat Schmidt as an elementary para professional.

Mr. Dercks, seconded by Mr. Totz moved to approve the consent agenda as presented. Motion carried 6-0-1

Action (Consent): B. Fall Coaches

Recommended Action: Move to approve the fall coaches as presented.

#### 4. Discussion/Action Items

Action, Discussion: A. Student Handbooks

Recommended Action: Move to approve the elementary, middle school and high school student handbooks as presented.

Mr. Dercks, seconded by Mr. Totz moved to approve the student handbooks for the elementary, middle and high schools as presented. Motion carried 6-0-1

Action, Discussion: B. Staff Handbooks

Recommended Action: Move to approve the support, professional and occc staff handbooks as presented.

Mr. Dercks, seconded by Mrs. Kopf moved to approve the support, professional and childcare staff handbooks as presented. Motion carried 6-0-1

Action, Discussion: C. Oakfield Child Care Center Playground Proposal

Recommended Action: Move to approve the Oakfield Child Care Center playground as presented.

Mr. Dercks, seconded by Mr. Totz moved to approve the child care center playground as presented. Motion carried 6-0-1

Action: D. Fund 46 plan

Recommended Action: Move to approve the Fund 46 plan as presented.

Mr. Dercks, seconded by Mrs. Kopf moved to approve the Fund 46 plan as presented. Motion carried 6-0-1

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Action, Discussion: E. Standards

Recommended Action: Move to approve the standards as presented.

Mr. Dercks, seconded by Mr. Totz moved to approve the standards as presented. Motion carried 6-0-1

Action, Discussion: F. Assessment Calendar 23-24 Recommended Action: Move to approve the assessment calendar for 2023-24 as presented.

Mr. Dercks, seconded by Mrs. Patterson moved to approve the assessment calendar for 2023-24 as presented. Motion carried 6-0-1

Action, Discussion: G. Sound System for Theater Recommended Action: Move to approve the theater sound system as presented.

Mr. Dercks, seconded by Mr. Totz moved to approve the sound system for the theatre as presented. Motion carried 6-0-1

Action, Discussion: H. Weighted Grades Recommended Action: Move to approve the weighted grades as presented.

Mr. Dercks, seconded by Mrs. Patterson moved to approve the weighted grades as presented. Motion carried 6-0-1

#### 5. Next Meetings

Information: A. Regular Meeting-Monday August 28, 2023 at 5:30 p.m.-OES IMC

Information: B. Committee of the Whole-Monday September 11, 2023 at 5:30 p.m.-MS/HS IMC

#### 6. Adjournment

Action: A. Adjourn

Mr. Dercks, seconded by Mrs. Patterson moved to adjourn the meeting at 7:28 p.m. Motion carried 6-0-1

#### **Special Meeting** (Friday, July 28, 2023)

Generated by Heather Bradwin-Haseman on Tuesday, August 1, 2023

#### 1. Introduction

Procedural: A. Call to Order

President Dercks called the meeting to order at 8:01

Procedural: B. Pledge of Allegiance

Procedural: C. Roll Call

Present: Paul Dercks, Angie Patterson, Jessica Shepherd, Heidi Kopf

Absent: John Tetz, Tim Wiese, Sal Arellano Staff: Tracey Conners, Jackie Hungerford Procedural: D. Board Mission Statement

#### 2. Discussion/Action Items

Action, Discussion: A. Discussion/possible action on Fund 46 transfer

Recommended Action: Move to approve the Fund 46 transfer as presented.

Discussion took place In regards to our 323,133.67 surplus and to move 300,000 into Fund 46. The funds will be used to put In the sound/lighting for our elementary gym for theater. Mr. Dercks, seconded by Mrs. Patterson moved to approve the transfer of \$300,000 to Fund 46 the remaining dollar would be used for any final expense from the 2022-23 school year. Motion carried 4-0-3

#### 3. Next Meetings

Information: A. Board Tour of MS/HS building-August 14, 2023 at 4 p.m.

Information: B. Regular Meeting/Planning Session-Monday August 14, 2023 at 5:30 p.m.-OES IMC

Information: C. Regular Meeting-Monday August 28, 2023 at 5:30 p.m.-OES IMC

#### 4. Adjournment

Action: A. Adjourn

Mr. Dercks, seconded by Mrs. Kopf moved to adjourn the meeting at 8:09 a.m. Motion carried 4-0-3

SCHOOL BOARD MINUTES

#### **Regular Board Meeting** (Monday, July 10, 2023)

Generated by Heather Bradwin-Haseman on Monday, July 17, 2023

#### 1. Introduction

Procedural: A. Call to Order

Vice President Patterson called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m.

Procedural: B. Pledge of Allegiance

Procedural: C. Roll Call

Present: Paul Dercks (6:50pm), Angie Patterson, Heidi Kopf, Jessica Shepherd, John Totz, Tim Wiese, Sal Arellano

Absent: none

Staff: Tracey Conners, Becky Doyle, Tim Brown, Holly Rabe, Molly Liebelt, Doug Mock, Jackie Hungerford, Heather Bradwin-Haseman, Bre Reis, Dani

Other: Ryan Walschmidt, Tyler Tikkanen, Katie Weber

Procedural: D. Board Mission Statement

#### 2. Consent Agenda

Action (Consent): A. Approval of Consent Agenda Recommended Action: Move to approve all items under consent agenda.

Mrs. Kopf, seconded by Mr. Totz, moved to approve the consent agenda as presented. Motion carried 6/0/1

Action (Consent), Minutes: B. June 12, 2023 Regular meeting minutes

Recommended Action: Move to approve the June 12, 2023 Regular meeting minutes as part of the consent agenda

Action (Consent), Minutes: C. June 23, 2023 Special meeting minutes

Recommended Action: Move to approve the June 23, 2023 as presented.

Action (Consent): D. Warrants through July 7, 2023 Recommended Action: Move to approve warrants through July 7, 2023

#### 3. Public Comments

Infonmation: A. Public Comment Procedures Katie Weber commented on the School Resource Officer and why we should have one.

#### 4. Reports

Information: A. Administrator Reports Discussion, Information: B. DLT Reports Information: C. Financial Update Information: D. CESA 6 Update

#### 5. Action Items

Action, Discussion: A. Change Order for structure Recommended Action: Move to approve the change order for structure for fitness center.

This item was skipped, no need for the change

Action, Discussion: B. Weighted Grades Recommended Action: Move to approve the weighted grades as presented.

Moved to just a discussion item, will be brought back at a later date for action

Action, Discussion: C. WIAA membership renewal Recommended Action: Move to approve the WIAA membership renewal as presented.

Mrs. Patterson, seconded by Mrs. Kopf moved to approve the WIAA memebership renewal as presented. Motion carried 6/0/1

Action, Discussion: D. School Resource Officer Recommended Action: Move to approve the SRO for the 2023-24 and 2024-25 school years as presented.

Mrs. Patterson, seconded by Mr. Totz moved to approve the School Resource officer as presented. Motion carried 6/0/1

Action, Discussion: E. Oakfield Child Care Center Parent Handbook changes

Recommended Action: Move to approve the changes to the Oakfield Child Care parent handbook as presented.

Mrs. Patterson, seconded by Mr. Wiese moved to approve the Oakfield Child Care parent handbook as presented. Motion carried 6/1/0

Action, Discussion: F. Oakfield Child Care Center Playground Proposal

Recommended Action: Move to approve the Oakfield Child Care Center playground as presented. Item moved to discussion only, will bring back to Board for action at a later date.

Action: G. Fall Coaches

Recommended Action: Move to approve the Fall Coaches as presented.

Mr. Dercks, seconded by Mr. Totz moved to approve the fall coaches as presented. Motion carried 7/0/0

#### Next Meetings

Information: A. Board Summer Planning/Regular Meeting, August 14, 2023, 4 p.m. at Oakfield Elementary School IMC

Information: B. Regular Meeting-Monday, August 28, 2023 at 5:30 p.m. at Oakfield Elementary School **IMC** 

#### 7. Adjournment

Action: A. Adjourn Into closed session according to Wisconsin State Statute 19.85 (l)(c); considering employment, promotion, compensation or performance evaluation data or any public employee over which the governmental body has jurisdiction or exercises responsibility.

Recommended Action: Move to adjourn into closed session according to Wisconsin State Statute 19.85 (l)(c); considering employment, promotion, compensation or performance evaluation data of any public employee over which the governmental body has jurisdiction or exercises responsibility.

Mr. Dercks, seconded by Mrs. Patterson moved to adjourn the meeting at 7:13 and move into closed session. Motion carried 7/0/0

#### School District of Oakfield 2023 **Annual Meeting and Budget** Hearing

The School District of Oakfield will hold the Annual Meeting and Budget Hearing on Monday, October 23 at 6:30 p.m. in the MS/HS Instructional Media Center.

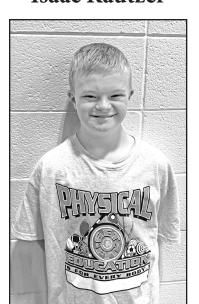
A quorum of Board members will be present at the meetings. Please note the Board is scheduled to hold their regular monthly meeting at 5:30 p.m., just before the Annual Meeting and Budget Hearing.



#### **Students of the Month**



#### Middle School Student of the Month Isaac Kautzer



Favorite color?
Black
Favorite food?
Mac & Cheese
Favorite Class?
Gym
How many pets do you have and

How many pets do you have and what are their names?

Two dogs, Helen, and JoJo

If you had a superpower, what

would it be?
Flying

#### Freshman Keleb Kleinschmidt



Kaleb has been a pleasure to have in class this year! He asks many thought-provoking questions and works great in groups! I can always acount on Kaleb to be respectful towards others, engaged, and getting his work turned in on time. Keep up the great work.

# Sophomore CJ Schraufnagel



I have enjoyed having CJ in class! I especially appreciate her active participation during class activities and excellent problem-solving skills! Her ability to recognize challenging patterns and work productively with others has been a major asset to our classroom this year. Great Job CJ!

Junior Caden Mueller



Caden listens intently and is very respectful in helping the class understand the content. A great help to the class. Keep up the great work Caden!

Senior Ella Meyer



Ella always has great participation during class time. She is mature and hard-working. Ella is very accepting of everyone around her and works well with all students. Way to go Ella!

#### MS/HS New Teachers



Mr. Daane

#### Where were you born?

I was born in Waupun, Wisconsin.

#### Where did you go to high school?

I went to Waupun Area Jr./Sr. High School.

#### Where did you go to college?

I went to UW Oshkosh for 3 years before transferring to UW River Falls to finish out my college degree.

#### Do you have any Kids?

I have a daughter who was just born in August.

#### What subjects do you teach?

I teach Industrial Arts Education (Tech Ed). I teach courses in automotives, woodworking, construction, welding and computer aided design.

#### Do you have any pets? If so, what are they?

I have two pets; an English Setter named Diesel who is 15 years old and a Goldendoodle named Sophie who is turning 3 in November.

#### What is your favorite class to teach?

I would say that my favorite class to teach is Construction. I really enjoy showing students how to build and repair items in their homes. It is a life skill that I feel everyone needs to learn and will save them all time and money.



Mrs. Uttendorfer

#### Where were you born?

I was born in Fond du Lac, I currently live in Oakfield with my husband and kids on our grain farm.

#### Where did you go to high school?

I went to Goodrich High School in Fond du Lac.

#### Where did you go to college?

I graduated from UW Oshkosh

#### Do you have any hobbies? If so, what are they?

I enjoy farming with my husband and kids. I love to plant flowers and read books when I have free time.

#### What subjects do you teach?

I have been a full time floating sub and enjoy going into all the grades. Everyday is an adventure!

#### Do you have any pets? If so, what are they?

I have a border Collie named Eva and is full of energy for being ten years old!

#### Do you have any Kids?

I have four children, Jacob is first year in college, Clint is a junior, Bianca is in 5th grade and Fenelope is in third grade.

#### What is your favorite class to teach?

My favorite memory of substitute teaching was last year teaching in my oldest son's class talking to the students that I had the opportunity to see grow up over the course of 12 years and reminiscing.



#### Mr. Liebelt

#### Where were you born?

I was born in Fond du Lac, WI.

#### Where did you go to high school?

I am a born and raised Oak. I graduated from Oakfield in 2018.

#### Where did you go to college?

I went to college at the University of Oshkosh Wisconsin, where I graduated with a degree in Natural Science, and a minor in Biology.

#### Do you have any hobbies? If so, what are they?

I enjoy a wide array of hobbies, but my favorite include surfing and skiing.

#### What subjects do you teach?

I teach 6th, 7th, & 8th grade science.

#### Do you have any pets? If so, what are they?

I am not necessarily a "pet person" but my family has an awesome golden doodle named Ozzy.

#### What is your favorite class to teach?

I am enjoying teaching all of my classes as the students are incredible. I also enjoy the wide array of science I get to teach throughout the day as middle school science is very broad!

## **Portraits and Dreams**

PORTRAITS AND DREAMS

By Mr. McCarty

The Philosophy class recently watched the PBS documentary, Portraits and Dreams. Wendy Ewald, a young teacher gifted in photography, leaves Detroit for Kentucky coal country in the 1970s. She soon learns that the students struggle with academics, but could demonstrate their learning through photography by documenting their lives in pictures. Ewald then returns decades later to see where the students ended up, and talks about what the photos meant to them. Students in Oakfield were asked to find old photos and take new pictures which would serve as examples of their lives in 2023, and also hint at the philosophies of themselves, friends or relatives.

Students compiled 10 pictures with ten paragraphs explaining the importance of the image. As a teacher, I also compiled 10 new photos of significance, so that students could have examples to work from and recognized how important the assignment was.

Senior Alyssa Laning helped Mr. Huebel in Student Publications to organize and pick the final selections that made the paper. Thank you for reading them, and don't forget to take pictures that encapsulate the significant people and ideas in your life.





Caption and photo by Mr. McCarty.

Eighth hour Philosophy hiked to Avoca Cemetery to take in the beautiful landmark of area ancestors. The quick trip helped our discussion on the significance of the cemetery, and what it says about the beliefs and culture of the area. They enjoyed the hike, and many noted thanks for those who take the time to mow and trim. When done, we took a picture by the Oakfield sign. From left to right, bottom row, is Hannah Gurno, Chloe Gudex, Alyssa Laning, Sydney Warnes and Maci Patten. Standing left to right are Sara TeStroete, Reuben Arellano, Andy Kintzler, Calvin Quick, Wes Bass, Justin Marschie, Jonah Schaub, Dylan Smeester, Noah Ingalls, Noah Patterson, Landon Mortimer, Stella Hofman.

The Oakfield Philosophy class did a walking tour of Avoca Cemetery on September 28. The walk leads to many questions and discussions, and gets students comfortable with appreciating our local resting places. When we got done, we took a picture by the Oakfield sign. This was my ridiculous attempt at a selfie, which blocked out Stella Hofman.

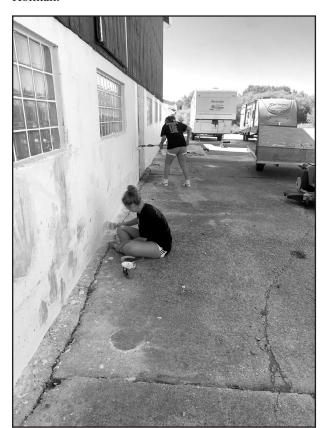


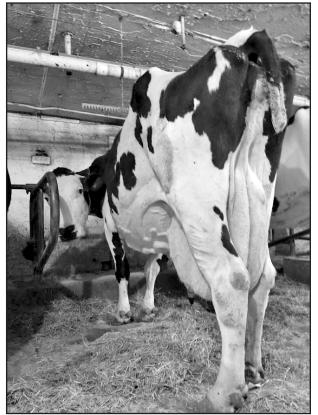
Photo credit to Jacob Hofman; caption credit to Stella Hofman.

In this picture is Jorja Hofman (sitting on the ground and Me (Stella Hofman in the back). We are painting my dad's barn because he told us too. Jorja and I were given paint brushes, a tarp, and a radio. My dad told us to get painting. We spent a total of 4 hours painting the white of the barn. This picture reminds me of my dad because of one of his sayings "Not knowing how to do something is not an excuse to not do it." Jorja and I always find a way to skip out on stuff by saying we don't know how to do stuff, but this time we couldn't do that.



Photos by Hannah Gurno and caption by Chloe Gudex.

This photo features two polaroid pictures taken by my friend Hannah Gurno. The people captured in the polaroids are my friend Fiona (right) and I (left.) Sometimes my friends and I will get together and play music pretending we're in a band. Fiona plays guitar, I play bass and Hannah plays drums. Unfortunately I don't have a drum set at my house, so Hannah was our photographer this time. I love how much our musical talents have brought us together recently. These remain two of my favorite polaroids I own.



Caption and photo by Mr. McCarty

This is a photo of "74". She was my last favorite cow. My parents milked cows for my whole life up until last fall. I love this picture because she was a docile holstein, easy to milk, and reminds me being raised on the farm. It also served as a historical example of how things change in our life, as now the cows are gone from the farm. But am thankful for what being raised on a dairy farm instilled in me, including work ethic and respect for the land and its history.

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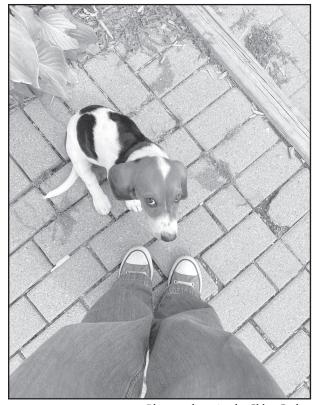


Photo and caption by Chloe Gudex.

This is a photo I took of my dog, Loretta. We got her back in August when she was a little under three months old. She has grown so much since then. At first, I had a hard time connecting with her because I had been against my parents getting a new dog, but I've learned to love her over the few months we've had her. I chose this picture of her rather than others because I like how it includes a piece of me, my shoes, alongside of her. I also just think it's quite funny because she looks like she did something wrong and is asking for forgiveness.



Photo credit to Kim Hofman; caption credit to Stella Hofman.

In this photo my dad (Jacob Hofman) is making his first batch of applesauce with the apples he grew on his trees right outside the house. When my dad grew up he worked in a hard environment, he told me when he was given a task to do, he was responsible to do it. There were no instructions given, so when I asked him the question, "What did you do as a child that impacted who you are today?" he responded with the following, "When I was put up to a task, I just had to figure it out on my own." This is important to me because I know my dad is capable of giving me advice because he was given none.



PORTRAITS AND DREAMS

Photo and caption by Mr. McCarty.

This grasshopper was photographed in early September by my house. Nature can really help us relax, and it's important for all to recognize the world around them. I find joy in noting the hundreds of species that live around us. Also impressive is the art and symmetry in a species like grasshoppers.

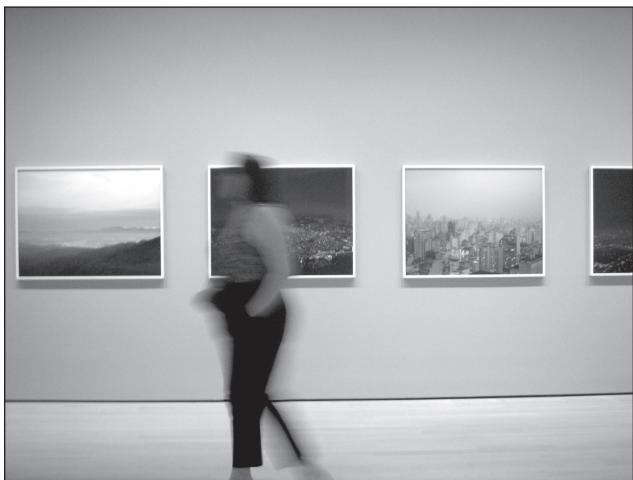


Photo and caption by Chloe Gudex.

This is a photo I took at the Museum of Modern Art in New York City. At first when I took it, I was a bit upset that the lady had walked in front of me as I snapped the photo, but I've come to realize that it just made the picture even better. It shows that rather than just being a bunch of art, it's also a place where people go to feel like a part of it. It's nice to surround yourself with art and even nicer to be in it, hence the photo. She was just enjoying her day at the museum, completely unknowing of the fact that she'd be included in a piece of art that day.





**Ms. Conners**District Administrator

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