

**Beaver Dam Unified School District
Board of Education Proceedings**

June 14, 2021

A special meeting of the Beaver Dam Unified School District Board of Education was held on the above date at Beaver Dam High School. President, Chad Prieve, called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. Board members present: Bev Beal-Loeck, Marge Jorgensen, Tony Klatt, John Kraus, Jr., Mary Kuntz, Lisa Panzer, Chad Prieve, Gary Spielman, and Joanne Tyjeski. Board members absent: None.

Mr. DiStefano, Superintendent, presented a recorded presentation from Mr. Meyer, Director of Teaching and Learning, regarding consideration of a waiver application to the Wisconsin Department Public of Instruction (DPI) for the ability to start the 2022-2023 school year on August 29, 2022. He explained that in exploration of the 2022-2023 school year calendar creation, the Board of Education chose to explore the option of beginning the 2022-2023 school year prior to September 1st. The specific reason is the continued educational impacts of the COVID-19 pandemic. There has been a loss of in-person instruction time due to safety protocols over the past two school years and the 2021-2022 school year will continue to see navigations due to COVID-19. The educational advantages to starting the 2022-2023 school year prior to September 1st include starting the school year on a full five-day week and it allows for earlier intervention and a shortened gap between the district's summer programs. He reviewed both an early start and traditional version of the 2022-2023 school year calendar. The early start version will be followed if the board chooses to approve the resolution and the Wisconsin DPI approves the waiver, otherwise the traditional version will be followed. The Board of Education is required to approve a resolution in favor of starting the school year prior to September 1st. A resolution will be presented at the June regular monthly Board of Education meeting.

There were no comments from the public.

Jorgensen moved, Beal-Loeck seconded, to adjourn the meeting.

The motion was adopted by unanimous vote and the meeting was adjourned at 6:14 p.m.

/s/ _____
Chad Prieve, President

/s/ _____
Marge Jorgensen, Clerk