

The 2023-24 Neenah Joint School District at-risk plan was adopted by the Board of Education at its September 19 meeting. The Board also held discussions about telehealth and teletherapy appointments at school, the 2024 health insurance proposal and the sale of a property on Jacobson Road.

The at-risk plan is an annual document outlining the plan for how the school board will identify and meet the needs of any students at risk of not graduating high school.

District Mental Health Coordinator Dr. Mike Altekruise addressed Board and community concerns surrounding telehealth and teletherapy at school. Both services are currently available at Neenah schools through Us2 Behavioral Health. Altekruise noted there are several concerns about students getting telehealth therapy from other providers at school due to space and staff limitations and the inability to screen the qualifications of the providers, among other issues. Altekruise and the counseling staff will continue to explore options and work with other districts to find ways to support student mental health needs.

The 2024 health insurance proposal would shift the District's plan to United Healthcare. United has a large and national provider network and promises minimal disruptions in employee-physician relationships. It also minimizes the rate hikes the District will experience. The District plans to purchase additional coverage for employees for hospitalization, accident and critical illness. Employees will have options to buy-up for more coverage through the limited term disability carrier. Contracts will continue with the District's current carriers for dental, vision, group life insurance, voluntary life insurance, short-term disability and long-term disability coverage. The Board will vote on the proposal at its next meeting on October 3.

The Board is considering an offer of \$500,000 for a property on Jacobsen Road in the Village of Fox Crossing. Good Faith Funding, LLC plans to establish a single-family residential subdivision on the property. A vote is expected on the sale on October 3.

A hire was approved for Jessica (Quillman) Plamann as a family and consumer education teacher at Shattuck. Educational assistant hires were approved for Thong Vue, Taylor Anderson and Melissa Okrie at the middle school and Hannah Scholl at Washington.