

School District of West Salem
Regular Board Meeting Minutes
January 14, 2013
Marie Heider Meeting Room –7:00 p.m.

Convene

The meeting was called to order at 7:02 p.m. by Vice President Thomas Helgeson. The meeting was noticed to the Coulee News, La Crosse Tribune, WLSU Radio 89 FM, WXOW TV-19, WKBT-TV, WKTY, WIZM, Union State Bank, First Community Credit Union, St. Joe Country Market, River Bank-Barre Mills, West Salem Post Office, Village of West Salem, posted at each school, district web site, and district office on January 10, 2013.

Pledge of Allegiance to the American Flag

Scott Scafe led everyone in the recitation of the Pledge of Allegiance and Ken Schlimgen recited the District Mission Statement.

Roll Call

Present: Syl Clements, Thomas Helgeson, Ken Schlimgen, and Scott Scafe. Also in attendance – Administrators: Troy Gunderson, Dean Buchanan, Eric Jensen, Mark Carlson, Michael St. Pierre, and Lisa Gerke; Student representative: Alyssa Noll. Finance Director: Davita Molling, Recording secretary: Patrick Bahr. Excused: Jason Falck, Tom Ward, Jane Halverson, Kevin Martinson, John Smalley, and Mike Malott.

Approval of Agenda

Mr. Scafe moved, Mr. Schlimgen seconded to approve the agenda as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

Connection with the Community

Alyssa Noll reported on:

1. Tech. Update – The Spanish IV class completed their project using only the MAC computer.
2. The Introduction to Theatre class put on a play last Thursday.
3. The Poms team placed 3rd in a recent competition.
4. The DECA club competed and will be competing at the state competition.
5. It is finals week at the high school.
6. There is a sixth grade band and choir concert this evening.

Correspondence

1. A thank you note from Jane Bangsberg was read.
2. A thank you note from the family of Mary Christopherson was read.

Public comments – None.

Written and Oral Reports

CESA #4 – Mr. Ward was not present at CESA meeting and not present tonight to report.

Policy Committee – Mr. Schlimgen reported that there are a number of policies on tonight’s agenda for a first reading.

Finance Committee – Mr. Helgeson reported that the committee discussed the 2013-2014 budget cycle and to set goals and direction for the budget process.

Buildings and Grounds Committee – Mr. Scafe reported that the committee reviewed the job description of the buildings and grounds supervisor , building security, solar panels, and the possibility of lead custodian positions.

Reports by Dean Buchanan, Eric Jensen, John Smalley, Lisa Gerke, and Troy Gunderson were reviewed.

Consent Agenda

Mr. Schlimgen moved, Mr. Scafe seconded to approve the Special Board Meeting Minutes of December 17, 2012; the Regular Board Meeting Minutes of December 17, 2013; the Special Board Meeting Minutes of December 18, 2013; and the invoices to be paid. Motion carried unanimously.

Discussion/Action Items:

Mr. Clements moved, Mr. Schlimgen seconded to accept the donation from Stephen and Deborah Kraus to the Horace Moran Memorial Fund. Motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Schlimgen moved, Mr. Scafe seconded to approve the high school softball team’s request to travel to Florida in 2014. Motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Schlimgen moved, Mr. Scafe seconded to approve the summer program for 2013 as a three-week session beginning in July. Motion carried unanimously.

No action was taken to reaffirm board policy #425 Public Open Enrollment.

No action was taken on the designation of open enrollment spaces.

Mr. Schlimgen moved, Mr. Clements seconded to approve for a first reading of policy #384 Animals on School Grounds. Motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Schlimgen moved, Mr. Clements seconded to approve for a first reading of policy #532 Instructional Staff Contracts. Motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Scafe moved, Mr. Clements seconded to approve for a first reading of policy #911 Buildings and Grounds Supervisor as amended. Motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Schlimgen moved, Mr. Scafe seconded to approve for a first reading of policy #832 Weapons on School Premises. Motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Schlimgen moved, Mr. Clements seconded to approve for a first reading of policy #447.1 Use of Seclusion and Physical Restraint in Schools. Motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Schlimgen moved, Mr. Scafe seconded to approve for a first reading of policy #840.1 Memorials. Motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Schlimgen moved, Mr. Clements seconded to approve for a first reading of policy #736 Indoor Environmental Quality (IEQ) Management Plan. Motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Schlimgen moved, Mr. Scafe seconded to approve for a first reading of policy #514 Job Descriptions. Motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Schlimgen moved, Mr. Scafe seconded to accept the administration's co-curricular recommendation for Casi Jones as the assistant seventh grade girls basketball coach. Motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Scafe moved, Mr. Clements seconded to accept the resignation of special education paraprofessional Sheri Craig. Motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Schlimgen moved, Mr. Scafe seconded to accept the administration's recommendation to hire Brenna McGuire as the swimming pool director for 2013. Motion carried unanimously.

No board action was taken on the OPEB (Other Post Employment Benefits) vendor selection. The Fund 73 Trust committee will meet to finalize the vendor selection.

No board action was taken on the language changes for the 2013-2015 administrator contracts.

Adjournment

Mr. Schlimgen moved, Mr. Scafe seconded to adjourn at 8:08 p.m. Motion carried unanimously.

Jason Falck, Clerk

Patrick Bahr, Deputy Clerk