

School District of West Salem  
Regular Board Meeting Minutes  
December 12, 2016  
Marie Heider Meeting Room – 7:00 p.m.

**Convene**

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by President Syl Clements. 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's 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 December 8, 2016.

*Pledge of Allegiance to the American Flag*

Melinda Kopnisky-Bloomfield led everyone in the recitation of the Pledge of Allegiance and Ken Schlingen recited the District Mission Statement.

*Roll Call*

Present: Syl Clements, Jane Halverson, Ken Schlingen, Tom Grosskopf, Catherine Griffin, Melinda Kopnisky-Bloomfield, and Greg Brickl. Also in attendance – Administrators: Troy Gunderson, Ben Wopat, Eric Jensen, Josh Mallicoat, Ryan Rieber, Michael St. Pierre, and Davita Molling; Student representatives: Paige Dunnun and Simon Buchanan. Recording secretary: Patrick Bahr. Excused: Lisa Gerke and Mike Malott.

*Approval of Agenda*

Mr. Schlingen moved, Mrs. Kopnisky-Bloomfield seconded to approve the agenda as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

**Connection with the Community**

*Paige Dunnun reported on:*

1. West Salem High School's Youth Frontiers program presented De Soto High School with a check for \$3,200 on Friday, December 2 during an all school assembly.
2. On Sunday, December 4th, the dance team and basketball team partnered together in an effort to raise money for their organizations in the 1st annual Dunks and Dégagés event.
3. This year the WXOW holiday choir concert, which features choirs from a total of 9 high schools including our own, was held at the Heider Center.

*Simon Buchanan reported on:*

Recent and upcoming sporting events for girls' basketball, wrestling, boys' basketball, hockey and gymnastics were summarized.

*Correspondence* – None.

*Public comments* – None.

*Written and Oral Reports*

Buildings & Grounds Committee – Mr. Grosskopf reviewed the agenda items from the December 7 and the December 12 meetings.

CESA #4 Board of Control – Mrs. Halverson reviewed the events of the Board's December meeting.

District Performance Initiative reports by administrators Ryan Rieber and Lisa Gerke, Ben Wopat, Josh Mallicoat and Mike Malott, Eric Jensen, Michael St. Pierre, and Troy Gunderson were reviewed.

### **Consent Agenda**

Mr. Brickl moved, Mrs. Halverson seconded to approve the Regular Board Meeting Minutes of November 28, 2016, and invoices to be paid. Motion carried unanimously.

### **Discussion/Action Items:**

Mrs. Halverson moved, Mrs. Kopnisky-Bloomfield seconded to accept donations from the following:

- 1) for the fitness center from the Booster club, high school running club and high school football club;
- 2) for the Youth Frontiers club from Features;
- 3) for the Jane Doe Nutrition Services fund from 1st Community Credit Union, Our Savior's Lutheran Church and Thomas & Julianne Larson;
- 4) for the high school robotics "Gearbox Heroes" team from Risch Heating and Air Conditioning Wehrs Machine & Racing Products and Seven Rivers Robotic Coalition.

Motion carried unanimously.

The Board agenda preparation, Policy #181.2 Agenda Preparation, was discussed. No action was taken.

Mr. Gunderson gave an overview on the revision of the Strategic Plan.

Mr. Schlimgen moved, Mrs. Halverson seconded to enact the STEP (Senior Tax Exchange Program) for the 2017 tax year as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Schlimgen moved, Mr. Brickl seconded to accept the administration's recommendation for high school course offerings as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Gunderson presented information from the recently completed WorkplaceDynamics employee survey. No action was taken.

Mr. Gunderson shared pictures from the swimming pool and transportation projects, and provided information on the other facility projects. No action was taken.

Mr. Schlimgen moved, Mrs. Halverson seconded to accept the administrator's co-curricular recommendation to offer volunteer wrestling contracts to Mike Lyga and Mark Ziegler. Motion carried unanimously.

**Adjournment**

Mrs. Griffin moved, Mr. Brickl seconded to adjourn at 8:22 p.m. Motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

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Jane Halverson, Clerk