

School District of West Salem
Regular Board Meeting Minutes
June 26, 2017
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 June 22, 2017.

Pledge of Allegiance to the American Flag

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

Roll Call

Present: Syl Clements, Ken Schlimgen, Tom Grosskopf, Catherine Griffin, and Melinda Kopnisky-Bloomfield. Also in attendance – Administrators: Troy Gunderson, Ben Wopat, Eric Jensen, Josh Mallicoat, Michael St. Pierre, and Lisa Gerke; Student representative: Alexis Brueggen. Recording secretary: Patrick Bahr. Excused: Jane Halverson, Mike Malott, Ryan Rieber, Davita Molling, and Nate Krien.

Approval of Agenda

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

Connection with the Community

Alexis Brueggen reported on:

1. The baseball team placed first at state.
2. The Summer Musical *Beauty and the Beast* was performed over the weekend.
3. Show choir camp has begun.
4. Band camp ended last Friday

Correspondence

A thank you note from Elaine Clements was read.

A thank you note from Toni Key was read.

Public comments

Kevin and Robin Fitzgerald signed up and will wait to speak when the agenda item is considered.

Building administrators responded to Mr. Clements' question about building happenings.

Written and Oral Reports

TIF District – Mr. Schlimgen explained to the audience what a TIF District is and reported on the meeting that occurred earlier this evening.

Policy Committee – Mrs. Kopnisky-Bloomfield reported on the committee's last meeting.

Staff Relations Committee – Mrs. Griffin reported on the committee's meeting tonight.

District Performance Initiatives reports by Scott Johnson, Davita Molling and Troy Gunderson were reviewed.

Middle school students Calista Robaczewski, Shelby Burch and Abi Koch performed part of their state solo and ensemble performance, under the direction of Teachers Ryan Waldhart and Elle Nimm.

High school students Trygve Lebakken and Abby Richardson performed part of their state solo and ensemble performance, under the direction of Teachers Dave Kies and Kelli Martin.

Consent Agenda

Mr. Schlimgen moved, Mrs. Griffin seconded to approve the minutes of the Regular Board Meeting of May 22, 2017; the Regular Board Meeting Minutes of June 12, 2017; the invoices to be paid; and to hire Antoinette Key as a .5 FTE high school science teacher. Motion carried unanimously. There were no co-curricular recommendations to act upon.

Discussion/Action Items:

Mr. Schlimgen moved, Mrs. Kopnisky-Bloomfield seconded to accept donations from the Lions Club for the CNA Lab/Health Careers Pathway class, from Pischke Motors for the Class of 2017, and from the School District of La Crosse for the Health Science Academy. Motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Gunderson shared a Human Resources department projection for future staffing needs.

Mr. St. Pierre, Director of Instruction/Technology, shared a needs projection for the technology department.

Mr. Schlimgen moved, Mrs. Griffin seconded to approve the middle school and high school WIAA Membership for the 2017-2018 school year. Motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Schlimgen moved, Mrs. Griffin seconded to approve for a first reading of policy #345.5 Graduation. Motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Grosskopf moved, Mr. Schlimgen seconded to approve the Course Options for the fall of 2017 as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

Final 17-18 co-curricular schedule. Discussion took place, but no action was taken.

Mr. Schlimgen moved, Mr. Grosskopf seconded to issue contracts to individual district staff and administrators as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Schlimgen moved, Mrs. Griffin seconded to approve the 2017 summer school support staff as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Clements welcomed the motion for closed session: The Board will discuss, consider and, if appropriate, take action pursuant to Wis. Stats §19.85(1) (c) “Considering employment, promotion, compensation or performance evaluation data of any public employee over which the governmental body has jurisdiction or exercises responsibility” regarding the employment and compensation of a professional staff member and a district employee.

Mr. Schlimgen moved, Mrs. Kopnisky-Bloomfield seconded to go into closed session at 8:25 p.m. A roll vote was taken: Mrs. Kopnisky-Bloomfield, Aye; Mr. Clements, Aye; Mrs. Griffin, Aye; Mr. Grosskopf, Aye; and Mr. Schlimgen, Aye. Motion carried unanimously.

Closed Session

Mrs. Kopnisky-Bloomfield moved, Mrs. Griffin seconded to reconvene into open session at 8:29 p.m. Motion carried unanimously.

Open Session

Mr. Grosskopf moved, Mrs. Griffin seconded to accept the retirement of Elementary Teacher Jane Henricks, the resignation of Director of Finance Davita Molling, and the resignation of Middle School Teacher Stacy Rel. Motion carried unanimously.

Adjournment

Mr. Schlimgen moved, Mrs. Kopnisky-Bloomfield seconded to adjourn at 8:32 p.m. Motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Melinda Kopnisky-Bloomfield, Acting Clerk