

School District of West Salem
Regular Board Meeting Minutes
September 26, 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 September 22, 2016.

Pledge of Allegiance to the American Flag

Lisa Gerke led everyone in the recitation of the Pledge of Allegiance and Mike Malott recited the District Mission Statement.

Roll Call

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

Approval of Agenda

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

Connection with the Community

Paige Dunnun reported on:

1. A cancer benefit for West Salem Middle School Art Teacher Krista Beron was held at Fox Hollow Banquet hall Saturday, September 24. The benefit was a success and involved West Salem K-12 students and many staff members. The dance team and volleyball team each made basket donations. An art auction also took place. The event included live music, which was provided by West Salem High School Art Teacher Mr. Quenten Brown.
2. Also on Saturday, the St. Joseph Ridge Lions Club and Barre Co-ed Lions Club teamed up with West Salem High School Senior, Nick Miller, for a golf outing at Fox Hollow Golf Course in honor of David McClintock. The golf outing was Nick's Senior Exit Project and half of the proceeds will go to the West Salem and Shelby volunteer fire departments.
3. The West Salem Dance Team held a Junior Poms camp last week which allowed elementary school girls to experience a little bit of what it's like to be a West Salem Dance Team member. These girls practiced with the older dancers to learn skills and prepared them to perform at the halftime show during the football game Friday. Unfortunately, the football game was cancelled, but the girls' families were invited to watch them perform their routine on the field Friday evening.

Correspondence

A Proclamation by Tony Evers, State Superintendent of Public Instruction, was read, proclaiming National School Lunch Week, October 10-14, 2016.

Public comments – None.

Written and Oral Reports

Buildings and Grounds Committee – Mr. Grosskopf reported on the two meetings that were held regarding the swimming pool and transportation projects.

Finance Committee – Mr. Schlimgen reported on tonight's meeting: 16-17 budget and the upcoming Annual Meeting.

Reports by supervisors Scott Johnson, Davita Molling, Rick Kline, and Troy Gunderson were reviewed.

Renee Davis, Youth Market Director for the American Heart Association, presented certificates to Elementary Physical Education Teachers Erin Ellerbach, Lindy Meyers and Jake Merrill for their part in Jump Rope for Heart. Through Jump Rope For Heart, the students raised enough donations to support 463 lives in their last event. Since 2010, 1925 lives have been saved by West Salem's participation. The District also received a certificate for their participation.

High School Principal Josh Mallicoat shared with the Board the progress of Alice Training within the district.

Consent Agenda

Mr. Brickl moved, Mr. Schlimgen seconded to approve the Regular Board Meeting Minutes of September 12, 2016; the invoices to be paid; and the Open Enrollment requests for the 16-17 school year. Motion carried unanimously.

Discussion/Action Items:

Mr. Brickl moved, Mr. Schlimgen seconded to accept the donation from 1st Community Credit Union for the Nutrition Services "Jane Doe Fund". Motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Gunderson reviewed the referendum debt levy graphs as prepared by Robert W. Baird & Company. No action was taken.

Mr. Schlimgen reviewed the proposed 16-17 budget and tax levy. No action was taken.

Mrs. Gerke left at 7:57 p.m.

Mr. Schlimgen moved, Mr. Brickl seconded to approve the 2016-17 Parent Transportation Contracts as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Schlimgen moved Mrs. Griffin seconded to accept the Buildings and Grounds Committee's recommendation to approve the final bids for the swimming pool project in the amount of \$1,050,000, with the balance coming out of Fund 80. Motion carried. (6-Aye; 0-Nay; 1-Abstained) Mr. Brickl Abstained.

At 8:02 p.m., the seven board members, Troy Gunderson, Patrick Bahr and Ryan Rieber left the Heider Meeting Room and went to the elementary school. Elementary School Principal Ryan Rieber gave a tour of the building, and highlighting some areas in the building. If approved by the voters in November, 2016, what items would be addressed at the elementary school.

Adjournment

Mr. Brickl moved, Mrs. Kopnisky-Bloomfield seconded to adjourn at 8:55 p.m. Motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Jane Halverson, Clerk