

School District of West Salem
Regular Board Meeting Minutes
February 14, 2011
Marie Heider Meeting Room – 7:00 p.m.

Convene

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Vice President Errol Kindschy. 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 February 10, 2011.

Pledge of Allegiance to the American Flag

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

Roll Call

Present: Ken Spraetz, Jason Falck (7:10), Errol Kindschy, Scott Scafe, Linda Brown, and Thomas Helgeson. Also in attendance – Administrators: Troy Gunderson, Dean Buchanan (7:04), Eric Jensen (7:04), Mark Carlson (7:04), Barb Buswell (7:04), John Smalley (7:04), Michael St. Pierre (7:04), and Lisa Gerke (7:04); Student representative: Christina Locante. Finance Director: Davita Molling, Recording secretary: Patrick Bahr. Excused: Tom Ward and Kolton Christenson.

Approval of Agenda

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

Connection with the Community

Christina Locante reported on:

1. The SEP portfolios are due on March 3, 2011.
2. Kolton Christianson and Christina put together a survey to see what students thought of finals and handed them out during homeroom. The results of the 160 returned surveys were shared with the board.

On behalf of Kolton Christenson, Christina reported on:

1. Kolton presented his SEP this past Friday, which was the play *Hansen & Gretel*.
2. As part of her SEP, CJ Bina held a talent show yesterday.
3. The high school Link Crew had a random popsicle day where link leaders met with their freshmen in the commons for a popsicle to celebrate making it through 1st semester and the start of spring.
4. The high school forensics team competes tonight.

Correspondence

A thank you note from Trees for Tomorrow was read.

Mr. Kindschy reminded the board members about the WASB Day at the Capitol event on March 16, 2011.

Public comments on non-agenda items – None.

Written and Oral Reports

CESA #4 – Mr. Kindschy was unable to attend the meeting and had nothing to report.

Buildings and Grounds Committee – Mr. Scafe reported that the committee met on February 7, and discussed the middle school special education room and the facilities planning committee.

Administrator reports were reviewed. Mr. Gunderson presented information on the governor's bill.

Consent Agenda

Mrs. Brown moved, Mr. Helgeson seconded to approve the Regular Board meeting minutes of January 24, 2011, and the invoices to be paid. Motion carried unanimously.

Discussion/Action Items:

Mr. Falck moved, Mr. Helgeson seconded to accept the following donations from:

1. Janel Pettis to the elementary school LMC.
2. Bob Arceo to the elementary school LMC.
3. Elementary School PTO for teacher and education grants to elementary teachers.
4. Ryan Wedl to the special education department.

Motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Falck moved, Mrs. Brown seconded to have Superintendent Gunderson set-up three candidates to give a presentation on their proposal for strategic planning and an estimated cost. To contact JoAnn Sternke from the Pewaukee School District to see if she would be interested in making a presentation for strategic planning. Motion carried unanimously.

Mrs. Brown moved, Mr. Falck seconded to have Mr. Ward, Mr. Kindschy and Mr. Gunderson review the school district/superintendent performance goals that were submitted and to bring back to the board goals that seem fair. Motion carried unanimously.

Mrs. Brown moved, Mr. Helgeson seconded to approve for the first reading of policy #172 Special School Board Meetings and eliminating #172 Form, #181 Rules of Order, and #182 Quorum. Motion carried unanimously.

Mrs. Brown moved, Mr. Spraetz seconded to approve for the second reading of policy #142 School Attorney, #151 Policy and Procedure development, Revision and Deletion, #171.2 Agenda Preparation, #823-Rule Guidelines for Access to Public Records. Motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Gunderson reviewed the class size guidelines with the Board. The Board had no objections to the guidelines and no Board action was needed or taken.

Mr. Scafe moved, Mr. Helgeson seconded to approve the wrestling and gymnastic co-op program renewals as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

Mrs. Brown moved, Mr. Scafe seconded to accept the retirements of High School Social Studies Teacher John Goodwin and Elementary School Physical Education Teacher Carol Hanson. Motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Kindschy welcomes the motion for closed session: The Board will discuss, consider and, if appropriate, take action regarding compensation for the administrators for 2011-2012, and nonrenewal/renewal, nonextension/extension and employment of administrators pursuant to Wis. Stat §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.

Mr. Scafe moved, Mr. Helgeson seconded that the Board convene in closed session at 8:15 p.m. A roll vote was taken: Mr. Falck Aye, Mrs. Brown Aye, Mr. Scafe Aye, Mr. Spraetz Aye, Mr. Helgeson Aye, and Mr. Kindschy Aye. Motion carried unanimously.

Closed Session

Adjournment

Mr. Falck moved, Mr. Scafe seconded to adjourn at 8:47 p.m. Motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Linda A. Brown, Clerk