

School District of West Salem  
Regular Board Meeting Minutes  
March 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 March 10, 2011.

*Pledge of Allegiance to the American Flag*

Kolton Christenson led everyone in the recitation of the Pledge of Allegiance and Eric Jensen recited the District Mission Statement.

*Roll Call*

Present: Ken Spraetz, Jason Falck, Tom Ward (via teleconference), Errol Kindschy, Scott Scafe, Linda Brown, and Thomas Helgeson. Also in attendance – Administrators: Troy Gunderson, Dean Buchanan, Eric Jensen, Mark Carlson, John Smalley, Michael St. Pierre, and Lisa Gerke; Student representatives: Christina Locante and Kolton Christenson. Finance Director: Davita Molling (7:05), Recording secretary: Patrick Bahr. Excused: Barb Buswell.

*Approval of Agenda*

Mrs. Brown moved, Mr. Falck seconded to approve the agenda as presented. A roll vote was taken: Mr. Falck Aye, Mrs. Brown Aye, Mr. Scafe Aye, Mr. Spraetz Aye, Mr. Helgeson Aye, Mr. Ward Aye, and Mr. Kindschy Aye. Motion carried unanimously.

**Connection with the Community**

*Christina Locante reported on:*

1. The Neshonoc yearbook staff has met their final deadline for the book, and have started working on the Time of Our Lives.
2. The latest edition of the Panther Prowler was distributed today.
3. The high school student council has been planning a benefit for multiple sclerosis.

*Kolton Christenson reported on:*

1. The NHS hosted their annual blood drive with the Red Cross.
2. Ten individuals from the forensics team will be competing at the state level.
3. The high school student council is currently meeting for recommended changes to the student handbook.

*Correspondence*

A thank you note from the family of Lee Wallace was read.

A thank you note from Jennifer Wheeler, Dawn Crow, Cheryl Kammel, Sherri Wizner, Deelyn Christianson, Carrie Johnson, and Chris Antony was read.

*Public comments on non-agenda items* –Mr. Chase Miller requested to speak to the Board. Mr. Kindschy asked if he could speak when the hockey co-op is discussed.

*Written and Oral Reports*

Support Staff and Professional Staff Negotiations Committee – Mr. Kindschy reported on the meetings that took place last week.

Transportation Committee – Mrs. Brown reported that the committee met earlier tonight and discussed adding the purchase of a bus to the 2011-12 budget year; the sale of two buses; and the trade in of vehicles towards the purchase of a newer vehicle for replacement.

CESA #4 – Mr. Kindschy reported that 24 CESA #4 staff were given notices of non-renewal.

Administrator reports were reviewed.

**Consent Agenda**

Mr. Ward moved, Mr. Scafe seconded to approve the Regular Board meeting minutes of February 28, 2011; the Special Board meeting minutes of March 8, 2011, as amended; and the invoices to be paid. A roll vote was taken: Mr. Falck Aye, Mrs. Brown Aye, Mr. Scafe Aye, Mr. Spraez Aye, Mr. Helgeson Aye, Mr. Ward Aye, and Mr. Kindschy Aye. Motion carried unanimously.

**Discussion/Action Items:**

The following people were permitted to speak regarding the hockey program and co-op renewal: Chase Miller, Tom Grosskopf, Hockey Coach Randy Groth, LeRoy Krall, Tom Molland of Sparta and Roxanne Grosskopf. Mr. Scafe moved, Mr. Spraez seconded to not renew the hockey co-op. After some discussion, Mr. Spraez moved, Mrs. Brown seconded to call for the question. A roll vote was taken on the question: Mr. Falck Aye, Mrs. Brown Aye, Mr. Scafe Aye, Mr. Spraez Aye, Mr. Helgeson Aye, Mr. Ward Aye, and Mr. Kindschy Aye. Question carried unanimously. A roll vote was taken on the motion to not renew the co-op: Mr. Falck Nay, Mrs. Brown Nay, Mr. Scafe Aye, Mr. Spraez Aye, Mr. Helgeson Nay, Mr. Ward Nay, and Mr. Kindschy Aye. Motion failed. Mr. Helgeson moved, Mr. Ward seconded continue with the two-year hockey co-op with the option of getting out after one year. A roll vote was taken: Mr. Falck Aye, Mrs. Brown Aye, Mr. Scafe Nay, Mr. Spraez Nay, Mr. Helgeson Aye, Mr. Ward Aye, and Mr. Kindschy Nay. Motion carried.

Mrs. Brown moved, Mr. Scafe seconded to approve the Youth Options requests for the fall of 2011. A roll vote was taken: Mr. Falck Aye, Mrs. Brown Aye, Mr. Scafe Aye, Mr. Spraez Aye, Mr. Helgeson Aye, Mr. Ward Aye, and Mr. Kindschy Aye. Motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Gunderson was given directions in the selection of a Strategic Planning Facilitator.

Mr. Spraez moved, Mrs. Brown seconded to approve for the first reading of policy #131 School Board Elections. A roll vote was taken: Mr. Falck Nay, Mrs. Brown Nay, Mr. Scafe Nay, Mr. Spraez Nay, Mr. Helgeson Nay, Mr. Ward Nay, and Mr. Kindschy Nay. Motion failed unanimously. Mr. Ward moved, Mr. Helgeson seconded to send policy #131 School Board

Elections back to the Policy Committee for further review. A roll vote was taken: Mr. Falck Aye, Mrs. Brown Aye, Mr. Scafe Aye, Mr. Spraez Aye, Mr. Helgeson Aye, Mr. Ward Aye, and Mr. Kindschy Aye. Motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Spraez moved, Mr. Scafe seconded to approve for the first reading of policy #175 Annual District Meeting. A roll vote was taken: Mr. Falck Aye, Mrs. Brown Aye, Mr. Scafe Aye, Mr. Spraez Aye, Mr. Helgeson Aye, Mr. Ward Aye, and Mr. Kindschy Aye. Motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Ward moved, Mr. Falck seconded to approve for the first reading of policy #186 Citizen Participation at Board Meetings. A roll vote was taken: Mr. Falck Aye, Mrs. Brown Aye, Mr. Scafe Aye, Mr. Spraez Aye, Mr. Helgeson Aye, Mr. Ward Aye, and Mr. Kindschy Aye. Motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Spraez moved, Mrs. Brown seconded to approve for the first reading of policy #345.5 Graduation. A roll vote was taken: Mr. Falck Aye, Mrs. Brown Aye, Mr. Scafe Aye, Mr. Spraez Aye, Mr. Helgeson Aye, Mr. Ward Aye, and Mr. Kindschy Aye. Motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Spraez moved, Mr. Scafe seconded to delete policy #190 Recognition of Accomplishments. A roll vote was taken: Mr. Falck Aye, Mrs. Brown Aye, Mr. Scafe Aye, Mr. Spraez Aye, Mr. Helgeson Aye, Mr. Ward Aye, and Mr. Kindschy Aye. Motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Ward moved, Mrs. Brown seconded to approve procedure #190 Recognition of Accomplishments. A roll vote was taken: Mr. Falck Aye, Mrs. Brown Aye, Mr. Scafe Aye, Mr. Spraez Aye, Mr. Helgeson Aye, Mr. Ward Aye, and Mr. Kindschy Aye. Motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Helgeson moved, Mr. Scafe seconded to issue West Salem Education Association contract renewals for 2011-2012 to those on the list provided. A roll vote was taken: Mr. Falck Aye, Mrs. Brown Aye, Mr. Scafe Aye, Mr. Spraez Aye, Mr. Helgeson Aye, Mr. Ward Aye, and Mr. Kindschy Aye. Motion carried unanimously.

Mrs. Brown moved, Mr. Scafe seconded to table the hiring of a part-time transportation paraprofessional. A roll vote was taken: Mr. Falck Aye, Mrs. Brown Aye, Mr. Scafe Aye, Mr. Spraez Aye, Mr. Helgeson Aye, Mr. Ward Aye, and Mr. Kindschy abstain. Motion carried.

Mr. Falck moved, Mr. Helgeson seconded to approve co-curricular recommendations. 7<sup>th</sup> grade softball, Amanda Beld; 8<sup>th</sup> grade softball, Brian Lusk; middle school track, Bill Jensen; head boys' golf, Eric Sorenson; JV boys' golf, Tony Berg; JV girls' soccer, Lance Matthews; volunteer softball-Roderick Hamilton, Jeanne Babiash, Alyssa Umberger; and volunteer track & field-Aaron Logan and Jacob Welch. A roll vote was taken: Mr. Falck Aye, Mrs. Brown Aye, Mr. Scafe Aye, Mr. Spraez Aye, Mr. Helgeson Aye, Mr. Ward Aye, and Mr. Kindschy Aye. Motion carried unanimously.

Mrs. Brown moved, Mr. Falck seconded to accept, with gratitude and regret, the resignation of Kindergarten Teacher Peggy Green. A roll vote was taken: Mr. Falck Aye, Mrs. Brown Aye, Mr. Scafe Aye, Mr. Spraez Aye, Mr. Helgeson Aye, Mr. Ward Aye, and Mr. Kindschy Aye. Motion carried unanimously.

**Adjournment**

Mr. Scafe moved, Mr. Falck seconded to adjourn at 9:25 p.m. A roll vote was taken: Mr. Falck Aye, Mrs. Brown Aye, Mr. Scafe Aye, Mr. Spraez Aye, Mr. Helgeson Aye, Mr. Ward Aye, and Mr. Kindschy Aye. Motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

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Linda A. Brown, Clerk