

School District of West Salem
Regular Board Meeting Minutes
July 25, 2011
Marie Heider Meeting Room – 8:00 p.m.

Convene

The meeting was called to order at 8:00 p.m. by President Tom Ward. 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 July 21, 2011.

Pledge of Allegiance to the American Flag

Tom Ward led everyone in the recitation of the Pledge of Allegiance and Jason Falck recited the District Mission Statement.

Roll Call

Present: Ken Spraetz, Jason Falck, Tom Ward, Errol Kindschy, Linda Brown, and Thomas Helgeson. Also in attendance – Administrators: Troy Gunderson, Mark Carlson, Barb Buswell, John Smalley, and Michael St. Pierre; Student representative: Taylor Gile. Recording secretary: Patrick Bahr. Excused: Scott Scafe, Dean Buchanan, Lisa Gerke, Eric Jensen, Megan Tabbert.

Approval of Agenda

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

Connection with the Community

Taylor Gile reported on:

1. Senior Katie Henriksen held a 5K walk as part of her SEP.
2. The high school baseball team will be playing in the state tournament this week.

Correspondence

A notice from the WASB regarding an election in WASB Region 6 was shared.

Public comments – None.

Written and Oral Reports

There were no board member reports. The supervisor reports were reviewed. Mr. Gunderson reported on estimated aid and revenue limits.

Consent Agenda

Mrs. Brown moved, Mr. Helgeson seconded to approve the invoices to be paid. Motion carried.

Mr. Kindschy moved, Mrs. Brown seconded to approve the minutes of the July 11, 2011, Regular Board meeting. A roll vote was taken: Mr. Falck Aye, Mrs. Brown Aye, Mr. Spraetz Aye, Mr. Helgeson Abstain, Mr. Ward Aye, and Mr. Kindschy Aye. Motion carried.

Discussion/Action Items:

Mr. Kindschy moved, Mr. Helgeson seconded to accept the recommendations of the administration to hire David Mikrut as maintenance, and Gary Roesler, Gary Miller and Eric Manke as bus drivers. Motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Falck moved, Mr. Spraetz seconded to approve for a second reading of policy #345.4 Grade Advancement, #345.4 Exhibit 1 – Promotion – Grade 8, #370-Rule A Middle School Co-Curricular Activity Eligibility Requirements and Code of Conduct, #370-Rule B High School Co-Curricular Activity Eligibility Requirements and Code of Conduct, and #831 Tobacco/Use/Possession on School Premises. Motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Falck moved, Mr. Kindschy seconded to delete policy #831-Rule Tobacco Prohibition Enforcement Procedures. Motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Spraetz moved, Mr. Kindschy seconded to approve the 2011-2012 non-union district wage rates, keeping them the same as the 2010-2011 rates. Motion carried unanimously.

Mrs. Brown moved, Mr. Falck seconded to approve a contract for the 2011-2012 school year for Annie Wachter as the Fitness Center Director. Motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Kindschy Moved, Mr. Helgeson seconded to approve the Elementary School Student-Parent Handbook for the 2011-2012 school year as amended. Motion carried unanimously.

Mrs. Brown moved, Mr. Falck seconded to approve the Middle School Student-Parent Handbook for the 2011-2012 school year. Motion carried unanimously.

Mrs. Brown moved, Mr. Falck seconded to approve the Middle School Co-Curricular Handbook for the 2011-2012 school year. Mrs. Brown moved, Mr. Falck seconded to amend the motion to include the co-curricular handbook groups must reflect Board Policy. Amendment carried unanimously. A vote was taken on the full motion to approve the Middle School Co-Curricular Handbook for the 2011-2012 school year as amended that the groups listed must reflect the Board Policy. Motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Bill Siehr, insurance consultant, updated the Board and answered questions regarding employee health insurance.

Taylor Gile left at 8:37 p.m.

Mr. Falck moved, Mr. Helgeson seconded to adopt the mission statement: Serve with Passion – Ignite Creativity, Innovation, and Excellence. After some discussion, Mr. Kindschy moved, Mrs. Brown seconded to call for the question. A roll vote was taken: Mr. Falck Nay, Mrs. Brown Aye, Mr. Spraetz Nay, Mr. Helgeson Nay, Mr. Ward Nay, and Mr. Kindschy Aye. Call for the question failed. Mr. Falck and Mr. Helgeson withdrew the motion.

There were no resignations or retirements for the Board to take action on.

Adjournment

Mrs. Brown moved, Mr. Helgeson seconded to adjourn at 10:01 p.m. Motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Linda A. Brown, Clerk