

School District of West Salem
Regular Board Meeting Minutes
September 27, 2010
Marie Heider Meeting Room –7:00 p.m.

Convene

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 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 September 23, 2010.

Pledge of Allegiance to the American Flag

Errol Kindschy led everyone in the recitation of the Pledge of Allegiance and John Smalley recited the District Mission Statement.

Roll Call

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

Approval of Agenda

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

Connection with the Community

Christina Locante reported on:

1. The high school link crew was at the OEC (outdoor education center) with the freshmen on September 9 and 10.
2. Homecoming was last week and was a successful one. The seniors were the overall winners. Kolton Christenson was Homecoming King and Brook Wall was Homecoming Queen.
3. There will be an SEP forum for seniors and parents at 7:00 p.m. this Thursday.
4. There was a school-wide assembly to announce and inform the beginning of the ARC (Achievement Responsibility Collaboration) Program.

Correspondence – None.

Public comments on non-agenda items – None.

Written and Oral Reports

Finance Committee – Mr. Kindschy reported that the committee had two meetings since the last board meeting. The committee reviewed the budget and will be discussed later in the meeting.

School Forest Advisory Committee – Mr. Scafe was no present to give a report.

Supervisor reports were reviewed by the Board.

Consent Agenda

Mr. Kindschy moved, Mr. Falck seconded to approve the minutes of the Regular Board meetings of August 23, 2010, and September 13, 2020; and the invoices to be paid. Motion carried unanimously.

Discussion/Action Items:

High school teacher Antoinette Key and elementary teachers Martha Burdick and Carrie Johnson gave a Smart Board presentation using lessons collected from other teachers at the elementary and high schools.

Mr. Gunderson reviewed the proposed budget for all funds, the revenue calculations and tax levy limits, and the tax levy credit. Mr. Helgeson moved, Mr. Kindschy seconded to recommend the proposed budget be adopted at the annual meeting based on proposal #4. Motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Falck moved, Mr. Helgeson seconded to approve the District Employee Handbook. Motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Helgeson moved, Mr. Falck seconded to recommend to the electorate at the annual meeting an easement for Xcel Energy for the sum of \$1.00. A roll vote was taken: Mr. Falck Aye, Mr. Helgeson Aye, Mr. Ward Aye, and Mr. Kindschy Nay. Motion carried.

Mr. Kindschy moved, Mr. Falck seconded to accept the resignation of Carrie O’Hearn as the varsity assistant gymnastics coach. Motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Kindschy moved, Mr. Falck seconded to accept the recommendations for co-curricular positions: varsity gymnastics coach, Carrie O’Hearn; senior high marching band, Dave Kies; senior high color guard, Kelli Martin; senior high jazz band, Dave Kies; senior high pep band, Dave Kies; senior high choir, Amy Hanson; senior high swing choir, Amy Hanson; HS play director - 1st semester, Rhonda Andres; HS play director - 2nd semester, Rhonda Andres; asst. one act play - 1st semester, Patricia Hall; asst. one act play - 2nd semester, Amy Hanson; stage manager - 1st semester, Dan Heerts; tech supervisor - 2nd semester, Dan Heerts; forensics, Kim Volden; asst. forensics, Andrea Armstrong; summer theater director, Amy Hanson; summer theater instrumental, Dave Kies; summer theater vocal, Rhonda Andres; summer theater stage, Dan Heerts; student council, Laura Skemp-Deal; Neshonoc, Cindy Patza; mock trial, John Goodwin; link crew, Justin Jehn; link crew, Andrea Armstrong; visual arts, Quenten Brown; quiz bowl, Laura Skemp-Deal; ecology club, Wayne Sackett; math club, Chris Milne; FFA, Mike Larson; VICA, Paul Liethen; Pep Club, Rhonda Andres; NHS, Toni Key; Diversity Club, Lynne Brown; and unit leader/leadership team, Lynne Brown, Mike Malott, Chris Ruud, and Mike Larson. Motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Helgeson moved, Mr. Falck seconded to approve the addition of .04 FTE to an elementary school physical education teacher. Motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Gunderson, Mr. Buchanan and Mr. Smalley led the discussion for the need for a 2.5 hour middle school supervisory paraprofessional position and a 3 hour elementary school supervisory paraprofessional position. No action was taken at this time.

Mr. Ward welcomes the motion for closed session: The Board will discuss, consider and, if appropriate, take action regarding superintendent expectations 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.”

Also, regarding litigation it is or is likely to be involved, pursuant to Wis. Stats. § 19.85(1)(g) for conferring with legal counsel for the District who is rendering oral or written advice concerning strategy to be adopted by the Board with respect to litigation in which it is or is likely to become involved.

Mr. Kindschy moved, Mr. Falck seconded that the Board convene in closed session at 8:32 p.m. A roll vote was taken: Mr. Falck Aye, Mr. Helgeson Aye, Mr. Ward Aye, and Mr. Kindschy Aye. Motion carried unanimously.

Closed Session

Mr. Kindschy moved, Mr. Helgeson seconded to reconvene into open session at 9:09 p.m.

Open Session

Adjournment

Mr. Kindschy moved, Mr. Helgeson seconded to adjourn at 9:09 p.m. p.m. Motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Errol Kindschy, Acting Clerk