

School District of West Salem  
Regular Board Meeting Minutes  
August 27, 2012  
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 August 23, 2012.

*Pledge of Allegiance to the American Flag*

Patrick Bahr led everyone in the recitation of the Pledge of Allegiance and Michael St. Pierre recited the District Mission Statement.

*Roll Call*

Present: Syl Clements, Jane Halverson, Thomas Helgeson, Tom Ward, Jason Falck, and Ken Schlingen. Also in attendance – Administrators: Troy Gunderson, Eric Jensen, Mark Carlson, Mike Malott, John Smalley, Michael St. Pierre, and Lisa Gerke; Student representatives: Alyssa Noll and Kevin Martinson. Finance Director: Davita Molling, Recording secretary: Patrick Bahr. Excused: Scott Scafe and Dean Buchanan.

*Approval of Agenda*

Mr. Schlingen moved, Mr. Falck seconded to approve the agenda as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

**Connection with the Community**

*Kevin Martinson reported on:*

1. The high school sports activities.

*Alyssa Noll reported on:*

1. Last Thursday, the high school drama club presented *Beauty and the Beast Jr.* There were about 170 children involved.
2. Last Friday the high school Link Crew held their freshman orientation.

*Correspondence*

A Proclamation by Tony Evers, State Superintendent of Public Instruction, was read, proclaiming National School Lunch Week, October 15-19, 2012.

*Public comments* – None.

*Written and Oral Reports*

Supervisor and the superintendent reports were reviewed.

## **Consent Agenda**

Mrs. Halverson moved, Mr. Schlimgen seconded to approve the minutes of the Regular Board Meeting of August 13, 2012; and the invoices to be paid. Motion carried unanimously.

## **Discussion/Action Items:**

Dr. Lee Rasch and Denise Vujnovich presented the Western Technical College *Vision for 2020* and answered questions.

Mr. Carlson and Mr. Malott presented the 2012-2013 Student/Parent Handbook. Ken Schlimgen moved, Jane Halverson seconded to approve the 2012-2013 Student/Parent Handbook as amended. Motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Gunderson reviewed a draft of the Strategic Plan Key Performance Initiative – Communication and Community.

Mrs. Halverson moved, Mr. Falck seconded to accept the resignations of high school special education teacher Jackie Shaw, middle school teacher Ross Freeman-Herdina and basketball coach Rick Martinson. Motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Falck moved, Mr. Schlimgen seconded to hire Ken Breu as a one-year high school math/computer teacher, Bonnie Crogan as a 3.25 hour food service employee, Bobbi Sevier as a 3.75 hour food service employee, Karen Wolter as a 2.5 hour food service employee, Cole Andres as a LMC paraprofessional, Heidi Brown as a special education paraprofessional, Randal Wade as a one-year high school EBD teacher, and Pat Cox as a one-year high school LD teacher. Motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Falck moved, Mr. Helgeson seconded to accept the administration's recommendation to approve Lori Skaer Jensen, middle school volleyball assistant coach; Matt Duster, eighth grade football assistant coach; Brad Trocinski and Brandon Walczak as seventh grade football assistant coaches; Anthony Braun as middle school cross country assistant coach. Motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Helgeson moved, Mrs. Halverson seconded to accept the administration's recommendation to approve high school volunteer coaches: Diane Hicks, Tennis; Ernie Tourville, Jason Falck and Kenneth Christenson, soccer; Brandon Olufs, Myron Hole and Matt Gorniak, football. Motion carried. (5-Aye, 0-Nay, 1-abstain)

Mrs. Halverson moved, Mr. Clements seconded to approve for a second reading of policy #452 Wellness, and policy #370-Rule B High School Co-Curricular Activity Eligibility Requirements and Code of Conduct. Motion carried unanimously.

The Board discussed holding a board meeting at the middle school. September 24, 2012, was selected as the date to hold a board meeting at the middle school, which will include a tour of the facility.

**Adjournment**

Mr. Schlimgen moved, Mr. Helgeson seconded to adjourn at 8:50 p.m. Motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

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Jason Falck, Clerk