

School District of West Salem
Regular Board Meeting Minutes
October 12, 2009
Marie Heider Meeting Room – 6:00 p.m.

Convene

The meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m. by 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 October 8, 2009.

Pledge of Allegiance to the American Flag

Warren Frank led everyone in the recitation of the Pledge of Allegiance and Henry Althoff recited the District Mission Statement.

Roll Call

Present: Ken Spraetz, Ann Bina, Tom Ward, Errol Kindschy, Scott Scafe (6:47), Henry Althoff, and Linda Brown. Also in attendance – Administrators: Nancy Burns, Mark Carlson, Barb Buswell, John Smalley, and Lisa Gerke; Student representatives: Riley Schock (6:52) and Warren Frank. Recording secretary: Patrick Bahr. Excused: Dean Buchanan, Eric Jensen, Lisa Gerke, and Davita Molling.

Approval of Agenda

Mr. Althoff moved, Mrs. Brown seconded to approve the agenda as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

Connection with the Community

Written and Oral Reports

Administrator reports were presented and reviewed.

Consent Agenda

Mrs. Bina moved, Mr. Spraetz seconded to approve the Regular Board Meeting Minutes of September 28, 2009 and the invoices to be paid. Motion carried unanimously.

Discussion/Action Items:

Mr. Althoff moved, Mr. Ward seconded to approve the high school trip to Costa Rica. Motion carried unanimously.

Mrs. Brown moved, Mr. Spraetz seconded to approve a .5 FTE, one-year Curriculum Director contract for Michael St. Pierre. Motion carried unanimously.

Mrs. Brown moved, Mr. Althoff seconded to approve Jill Kreibich as a four-hour Read Naturally Paraprofessional. Motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Althoff moved, Mrs. Brown seconded to accept the resignation/retirement of Speech and Language Pathologist Joan Konze. Motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Althoff moved, Mr. Spraez seconded to adopt the setting of the ground rules for the 2009 Annual Meeting. Motion carried unanimously.

Retreat

Mr. Ward moved, Mrs. Bina seconded to approve the Board contracting with a firm to assist in the superintendent search, and at the next meeting have firms do a short presentation of the process and provide a resume. A roll call vote was taken Mr. Althoff Aye, Mrs. Brown Aye, Mr. Scafe Aye, Mr. Spraez Nay, Mrs. Bina Aye, Mr. Ward Aye, and Mr. Kindschy Aye. Motion carried.

The Policy Committee was seeking input on policies #384 Animals on School Ground and #443 Student Conduct Rules and Discipline Guidelines.

A discussion was held on policy #185 Board Committees with regards to the make-up of committees and whether the committees be Advisory, Board, or District. The policy will be reviewed by the Policy Committee.

The District mission statement and broad goals were discussed. Mr. Ward will come up with a couple mission statements and present at a future meeting.

Discussion on district public relations was held. Mr. Spraez will work on a couple suggestions and bring back to the board.

Adjournment

Mrs. Brown moved, Mr. Scafe seconded to adjourn at 8:07 p.m. Motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Ann Bina, Clerk