

School District of West Salem
Regular Board Meeting Minutes
October 14, 2019
Marie Heider Meeting Room – 7:00 p.m.

Convene

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by President 7:00. The meeting was noticed to the Coulee Courier, La Crosse Tribune, WLSU Radio 89 FM, WXOW TV-19, WKBT-TV, WKTY, WIZM, Union State Bank, First Community Credit Union, St. Joe's 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 9, 2019.

Pledge of Allegiance to the American Flag

Ryan Rieber led everyone in the recitation of the Pledge of Allegiance and Deanna Wiatt recited the District Mission Statement.

Roll Call

Present: Syl Clements, Jane Halverson, Ken Schlimgen, Tom Grosskopf, Catherine Griffin, Robin Fitzgerald, and Sean Gavaghan. Also in attendance – Administrators: Troy Gunderson, Ben Wopat, Eric Jensen, Mike Malott, Ryan Rieber, Deanna Wiatt, and Shawn Handland; Student representatives: Summer Houck and Liam Sjoquist. Recording secretary: Patrick Bahr. Excused: N/A.

Approval of Agenda

Mrs. Griffin moved, Mr. Schlimgen seconded to approve the agenda as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

Connection with the Community

Summer Houck, Student Representative, reported on:

1. The Addams Family, premiered on Thursday and Friday in the Heider Center.
2. The student council discussed student concerns within the building such as having clear water bottles. They also discussed t-shirt designs and colors.
3. The ecology club had a meeting last Thursday morning. They discussed the cleanup event that was held on Saturday, October 12.
4. Boys Varsity soccer plays tomorrow night at Onalaska.

Liam Sjoquist, Student Representative, reported on:

1. The dance team has their last football performance on October 18.
2. Football team lost to Tomah last Friday. The final score was 7-21. Their final game of the season is this Friday against Central at home.
3. The boys cross country won the Holte Invitational in Arcadia this past Saturday.
4. The Journalism class took a field trip to the Kempa Conference at UW-Whitewater on Friday, October 11. They had the opportunity to go to different sessions to learn more about Journalism and Yearbook designing.

Correspondence

A thank you note from Our Savior's Lutheran Church "Feed Our Children – West Salem" was read.

Wisconsin Department of Public Education Proclamation announcing October 1-31 as Gifted Education Month was read

Public comments – None.

Written and Oral Reports

CESA #4 Board of Control – Mrs. Halverson reported on the events of the Board of Control's meeting.

Business Operations Committee – Mrs. Griffin reported on the following agenda items: Heider Center/Board 5-year plan for equipment, SEP requests, 19-20 budget update, committee calendar.

District Strategic Initiative updates from the Superintendent's Cabinet Team and the superintendent were reviewed.

Mr. Gunderson announced: the hiring of Matt Mingus as a maintenance worker.

Consent Agenda

Mr. Schlimgen moved, Mrs. Griffin seconded to approve the following consent agenda items:

- a) Regular Board Meeting Minutes of September 23, 2019;
- b) invoices to be paid;
- c) donations from Hollie Senzig for the kindergarten unit, from Shaheera Saleem & Hafiz Fakhri, Concrete Solutions, Seaver & Rachel Updike, Barbara Weibel, Chris & Jessica Munson for the 4K Book of the Month Club; from Altra Federal Credit Union for the school district, from Timmer's 10 Mile Pub LLC for the high school FFA, from Hope Evangelical Free Church for the Random Acts of Kindness Fund, from Brenengen Chevrolet, SSE Music and Dependable Solutions for Amy Chamber's – Tools for Schools Award recipient, from the Knights of Columbus for the special education department, and from Representative Steve Doyle for the school district;
- d) co-curricular recommendations: high school girls' basketball head coach-Matt Quick, high school girls' basketball assistant coach-Melissa Norman, high school boys' basketball head coach-Steve Kastenschmidt, high school boys' basketball assistant coach-Jared Hauser and Kenny Derosiers, high school boys' basketball volunteer assistant coach-Bill Jensen, high school gymnastics head coach-Carrie O'Hearn, high school gymnastics assistant coach-Brittney Hodgson, high school gymnastics volunteer assistant coach-Ana Botwinski-Kennebeck, high school wrestling head coach-Josh Brewer, high school wrestling assistant coach-Tyler Shrake and Mike Lyga, high school wrestling volunteer assistant coach-Zach Elliot, 7th grade boys' & 8th grade girls' basketball head coach-Heather Jehn, high school girls' soccer head coach-Lionel Karyea, high school girls' soccer volunteer assistant coach-Lino Cortez, high school boy's tennis head coach-Julie Kamla, elementary council of kids-Kayla Wegner, elementary after school art-Kaylin Lotspaih, elementary yearbook-Krista Mead, color guard-Kelli Martin, jazz band & pep band-Dave Kies, show choir-Amy Hanson, show choir assistant-Kelli Martin, drama club-Amy

Hanson & Rhonda Andres, play director 1st and 2nd semester-Rhonda Andres, assistant one-act play 1st semester-Amy Hanson, Assistant one-act play 2nd semester-Elle Nimm, stage manager 1st and 2nd semester-Dan Heerts, forensics-Kim Volden, forensics assistant-Andrea Armstrong, summer theatre director-Amy Hanson, summer theatre instrumental-Dave Kies, summer theatre vocal-Rhonda Andres, summer theater state-Dan Heerts, student council-Darren Fruit, Neshonoc Yearbook-Andrea Armstrong, Link Crew-Missy Haas, Jamie Olson & Andrea Armstrong, Visual Arts Classic-Quenten Brown, quiz bowl-Jim Klos, ecology club-Kelly Rueckheim, math club-Chris Milne, FFA-Kelly Rueckheim, Skills USA-Carrie Wilson-Smith, DECA-Jason Holter, DECA assistant-Brittney Hodgson, robotics-Erik Mathison, robotics assistant-Dave Halverson, pep club-Rhonda Andres, NHS-Jenny Stenberg, diversity club-Kim Volden, trapshooting club-Paul Liethen, Youth Frontiers-Ryan Nelson, homecoming supervisor windows-Quenten Brown, homecoming supervisor parade-Eric Borre, homecoming supervisor Mr/Mrs WS-Amy Hanson, homecoming supervisor floats-Laura Deal, homecoming supervisor dance-Rhonda Andres, freshman class-Randy Hughes, sophomore class-Darren Fruit, junior class-Kim Volden & Jenny Stenberg, senior class-Rhonda Andres, Laura Deal, Julie Arentz, Jessica Tripp, volunteer health occupation Student of America-Toni Key, volunteer interact club-Julie Arentz, volunteer fishing club-Darren Fruit & Brian Baker, volunteer Spanish club-Becky Tower & Shelly Helland, volunteer DECA-Josh Maliszewski, volunteer trapshooting-Patrick Burchell, James Schmitz, Terry Loging, Michael Larson, Lucas Miholovic, Kyle Helgeson, Ryan Rasmussen, Bryce Perrett, David Komay, Barry Loging, Ron Black, Joe Nickles, Dale Hewitt, middle school band assistant-Mardeana Glasel, middle school jazz band-Ryan Waldhart, middle school color guard-Sheila Van Dyke, grades 5/6 choir-Elle Nimm, middle school show choir-Elle Nimm, middle school show choir assistant-Alexandra Burch, WEB Leader Heather Jehn, Alyssa Jarosh and Ben Tashner, middle school leadership-Tammy Bentzen, Elle Nimm, Josh Brewer, Jason Mahlum, Sara Jeranek, Andrea Alvin and Katie Fink, middle school student council-Ben Tashner, middle school yearbook-Jenny Morgan and Nicole Friell, middle school forensics-Nicole Friell, middle school forensics assistant-Mary Czajka, Mathcounts-Tammy Bentzen & Sarah Weber, and middle school council of kids-Martha Burdick;

f) parent transportation contracts for the 19-20 school year
Motion carried unanimously.

Discussion/Action Items:

Mrs. Fitzgerald moved, Mrs. Griffin seconded to approve the 19-20 second semester Early College Credit requests, with Mr. Malott to verify the schedule conflict to take the AP Calculus course. Motion carried unanimously.

Proposed 19-20 budget, mill rate and tax levy. No action was taken.

Mr. Schlimgen moved, Mrs. Griffin seconded to adopt the following Resolution: Be It Resolved that the School District of West Salem will borrow on a short-term basis the sum of \$5,000,000 for the operation of the schools of the district: \$2,500,000 on October 15, 2019, with an additional \$2,500,000 on November 15, 2019, with a payment of \$2,500,000 to be made on December 20, 2019, and the final payment of \$2,500,000 plus interest on January 20, 2020. Motion carried unanimously.

The list of to do items / information requests was reviewed. No action was taken.

Adjournment

Mr. Schlimgen moved, Mrs. Griffin seconded to adjourn at 7:55 p.m. Motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Robin Fitzgerald, Clerk