

School District of West Salem
Regular Board Meeting Minutes
August 26, 2019
Marie Heider Meeting Room – 7:00 p.m.

Convene

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by President Jane Halverson. 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 August 22, 2019.

Pledge of Allegiance to the American Flag

Summer Houck led everyone in the recitation of the Pledge of Allegiance and Liam Sjoquist 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, Mike Malott, Deanna Wiatt, Ben Wopat (7:41), Ryan Rieber (7:18), and Shawn Handland; Student representatives: Summer Houck and Liam Sjoquist. Recording secretary: Patrick Bahr. Excused: Eric Jensen.

Approval of Agenda

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

Connection with the Community

Summer Houck, Student Representative, reported on:

1. Link Crew had training this past Wednesday and Thursday morning, with orientation for the freshmen this past Friday.
2. The pool is closed for the season.
3. The dance team had their first performance last Friday during halftime of the football game.

Liam Sjoquist, Student Representative, reported on:

1. It is the last week of summer for students.
2. Fall sports have all started, including football's first game last Friday that ended in a tough loss against G-E-T.

Correspondence

An invitation to the WASB Region 6 meeting on October 22, 2019, was shared.

Public comments – None.

Written and Oral Reports

Policy/Communication & Engagement Committee – Mr. Schlimgen reported on the following meeting agenda items: fundraising, WASB “Quick Check”, 100’s & 200’s policies.

District Strategic Initiative updates by the superintendent were reviewed.

Mr. Gunderson announced: the hire of paraprofessionals-Kinsey Shepard, Maria Holicky, Jennifer Hyer, and Michelle Clements.

Consent Agenda

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

- a) Regular Board Meeting Minutes of August 12, 2019;
- b) invoices to be paid;
- c) the resignation of Elle Nimm as middle school musical stage manager;
- d) donations from Jim’s Grocery Bag-Schroeder Fund of the La Crosse Community Foundation and the La Crosse Community Foundation’s Community Impact Fund;
- e) administration’s co-curricular recommendations for high school girls’ tennis volunteer coach- Lisa Hehli and high school varsity head baseball coach-Jamie Olson
- f) hire OEC Coordinator-Shannon Craig, and .67 middle school physical educator teacher-Kjerstin Dellenbach.

Motion carried unanimously.

Discussion/Action Items:

Guidelines for fundraising. No action was taken.

Mr. Schlimgen moved, Mr. Gavaghan seconded to approve the following resolution:

RESOLUTION: Whereas the following school districts have handicapped children, and whereas it appears that the educational interests of all children in these school districts will be served best by the districts joining together to offer special services, as authorized by the Department of Public Instruction, to meet the needs of handicapped children. Be it, and it is hereby resolved that the school boards of the West Salem School District and the Bangor School District, and the West Salem School District and the School District of Holmen agree to establish and maintain, on a cooperative basis, a handicapped children's special education program(s) pursuant to Section 66.0301 of the Wisconsin Statutes.

Motion carried unanimously.

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

Closed Session

Mr. Gunderson informed the Board that there was no need to go into closed session. The Board will discuss, consider and, if appropriate, take action 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” regarding a non-professional staff performance concern.

Adjournment

Mrs. Griffin moved, Mr. Schlimgen seconded to adjourn at 8:23 p.m. Motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Robin Fitzgerald, Clerk