

School District of West Salem
Regular Board Meeting Minutes
September 9, 2019
Marie Heider Meeting Room – 7:00 p.m.

Convene

The meeting was called to order at 7:01 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 September 5, 2019.

Pledge of Allegiance to the American Flag

Troy Gunderson led everyone in the recitation of the Pledge of Allegiance and Ben Wopat recited the District Mission Statement.

Roll Call

Present: Syl Clements, Jane Halverson, Ken Schlimgen, Tom Grosskopf, Catherine Griffin, Robin Fitzgerald, and Sean Gavaghan (7:12). Also in attendance – Administrators: Troy Gunderson, Ben Wopat, Eric Jensen, Mike Malott, Ryan Rieber, Deanna Wiatt, and Shawn Handland. Recording secretary: Patrick Bahr. Excused: Summer Houck and Liam Sjoquist.

Approval of Agenda

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

Connection with the Community

Welcome and introduction of 2019 Model Teachers

Model teachers in attendance: Dana La Fleur, Gayle Lassen, Julie Arentz, and Sara Jeranek. Anne Skaar and Becky Tower were unable to attend.

Correspondence

A thank you note from Mark Ziegler and Lynn Maas was read.

Public comments – None.

Written and Oral Reports

An invitation to the WASB Region 6 meeting on October 22, 2019, was shared. At the meeting Tom Grosskopf and Syl Clements will be honored.

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

Consent Agenda

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

- a) Regular Board Meeting Minutes of August 26, 2019;
 - b) invoices to be paid;
 - c) donations from Subway-Jon Hetland, Linda's Bakery, Le Coulee Cheese Castle, and Pizza Oven for the NHS Blood Drive; and from the La Crosse Interstate Fair for the West Salem High School football program;
 - d) Open Enrollment requests for the 19-20 school year as presented;
 - e) administration's co-curricular recommendations – Cary Anderson-high school girls' tennis volunteer assistant coach and Ryan Brewer-middle school football volunteer assistant coach.
- Motion carried unanimously.

Mrs. Griffin moved, Mrs. Fitzgerald seconded to approve the administration's request for a .22 FTE middle school social studies teacher as presented; and to approve the hiring of Ashley Swanson as a .55 FTE middle school social studies teacher. Motion carried unanimously.

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

Board Development

Chapters 6-7 in The School Board Field Book: Leading with Vision by Mark Van Clay and Perry Soldwedel.

Adjournment

Mrs. Griffin moved, Mr. Schlimgen seconded to adjourn at 8:42 p.m. Motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Robin Fitzgerald, Clerk