December 2022



Newsletter

School District of West Salem

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Letter from Superintendent Ryan Rieber

Happy Holidays!

Happy holidays to everyone! I hope that you and your families enjoyed the Thanksgiving holiday and are welcoming in December! This last month has made for some very memorable moments for our students, district, and community! An unknown author wrote, "Life is made up of special moments which make it worth living. Many cherished moments are missed due to the stress and fast pace of daily living. We must slow down and remember how precious it is to be alive and to love."

With the completion of the fall athletic season, let's slow down and reflect on the success of our co-curricular activities this past fall and the tournament runs of many of our teams. Our girls volleyball team reached the sectional finals, our boys and girls cross country teams both placed in the top ten in at the state cross country meet, and our football team had a memorable trip to Camp Randall Stadium and brought home the silver ball. All of these moments will be memories that will be cherished and talked about for a lifetime! Congrat-

ulations to these teams, athletes, coaches, and families! Thank you for these fun experiences and memorable moments.

Another special moment for our district was the release of our state report card and the excellence shown throughout our district. Our students and staff rose to the occasion and outperformed all others across La Crosse County for the second straight year! This is attributed to the dedication of our staff and the support of our families. These results do not happen by accident. The tradition of excellence continues while we stay focused on continuous improvement so the West Salem School District can provide the absolute best education with the best educators in the area.

I am proud of the memories and moments that have occurred this past year. As we move toward the Christmas season and a new year, I want to take this opportunity to express gratitude, appreciation, and hope that you and your families have many special moments! Please make sure that you take time to slow down and cherish moments with the ones you love! We have proven, through our classrooms, staff, teams, and community, that when we work together towards a common goal,

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outstanding things can happen. Take time to slow down and remember how precious our time is and love those around you. Enjoy the special moments that this season brings. These moments are the most precious achievements and successes that we can celebrate! From my family to yours, we wish you all Happy Holidays, Merry Christmas, and a wonderful New Year ahead!

Ryan Rieber Superintendent

State Football vs. Monroe



Calendar of Events December

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Athletic Events

Athletic Events						
Thursday, December 1, 2022						
7:00pm	Ice Hockey: Boys Varsity Game vs.					
	Tomah @ Panther Den Arena					
Friday, Dec	ember 2, 2022					
5:30pm	Hockey: Girls Varsity Game Ona/WS/					
	Hol/Aq/Cen/Log/ vs. Somerset School					
	District @ Somerset Ice Arena					
5:30pm	Wrestling: Varsity Quad vs. Tomah,					
	G-E-T & La Crosse @ Tomah HS					
5:45pm	Basketball: Girls JV Game vs. Luther					
	@ Luther High School					
6:00pm	Basketball: Boys C-Team Game vs.					
	Tomah @ West Salem Middle School					
6:00pm	Basketball: Boys JV Game vs. Tomah					
	@ West Salem High School					
7:00pm	Basketball: Girls Varsity Game vs.					
	Luther @ Luther High School					
7:15pm	Basketball: Boys Varsity Game vs.					
	Tomah @ West Salem High School					
Saturday, D	ecember 3, 2022					
9:00am	Wrestling: Varsity Invite vs. Cashton,					
	Dodgeville, Holmen, Northwestern,					
	Shawano Community & St. Cloud Tech					
	@ West Salem High School					
12:30pm	Swimming & Diving: Boys Varsity					
	Invitational vs. Chippewa Falls, Eau					
	Claire Memorial, Holmen, Marshfield,					
	Menomonie, River Falls & Wausau East					
	@ Chippewa Falls Middle School					
1:00pm	Hockey: Girls JV Game Ona/WS/Hol/					
	Aq/Cen/Log/ vs. University School of					
	Milwaukee @ Omni Center					
3:00pm	Hockey: Girls Varsity Game Ona/WS/					
	Hol/Aq/Cen/Log/ vs. University School					
	of Milwaukee @ Omni Center					
Tuesday, De	ecember 6, 2022					
5:45pm	Basketball: Boys C-Team/JV Game					
	vs. Luther @ Luther High School					
7:00pm	Basketball: Boys Varsity Game vs. Luther					
	@ Luther High School					
7:00pm	Ice Hockey: Boys Varsity Game vs.					

La Crescent-Hokah @ La Crescent

Swimming & Diving: Boys Varsity

Meet vs. Holmen @ YMCA North-On-

Community Arena

7:15pm

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	ecember 8, 2022						
5:45pm	Basketball: Girls JV Game vs. Black						
	River Falls @ West Salem High School						
5:45pm	Gymnastics: JV/Varsity Triangular						
	vs. Holmen & Wisconsin Rapids Lincoln						
	@ Wisconsin Rapids Lincoln						
	High School						
7:00pm	Basketball: Girls Varsity Game vs. Black						
	River Falls @ West Salem High School						
7:00pm	Hockey: Girls Varsity Game Ona/WS/						
	Hol/Aq/Cen/Log/ vs. Rochester Century						
	@ Omni Center						
Friday, Decer	nber 9, 2022						
5:45pm	Basketball: Boys C-Team Game vs. Black						
	River Falls @ West Salem Middle School						
5:45pm	Basketball: Boys JV Game vs. Black						
•	River Falls @ West Salem High School						
7:00pm	Basketball: Boys Varsity Game vs. Black						
1	River Falls @ West Salem High School						
Saturday, De	cember 10, 2022						
10:00am	Gymnastics: JV/Varsity Invitational						
	vs. Baraboo, Caledonia Area, G-E-T,						
	Markesan, Reedsburg, River Valley, Sauk						
	Prairie & Tomah @ West Salem						
	High School						
10:00am	Wrestling: Varsity Invitational vs. Logan,						
	Rochester Century, Saint Charles,						
	Rhinelander, Arcadia,						
	Plainview-Elgin-Millville, Hudson,						
	Fillmore Central, Onalaska,						
	La Crescent-Hokah, Brookwood, River						
	Ridge, Saint Croix Central &						
	Independence/Gilmanton						
	@ Logan High School						
12:00pm	Hockey: Girls JV Game Ona/WS/Hol/						
12.00pm	Aq/Cen/Log/ vs. Sun Prairie						
	@ Omni Center						
1:00pm	Ice Hockey: Boys Varsity Game vs.						
1.00pm	Menomonie @ West Salem Panther						
	Den Arena						
2.00nm							
2:00pm	Hockey: Girls Varsity Game Ona/WS/						
	Hol/Aq/Cen/Log/ vs. Sun Prairie @ Omni Center						
7.00							
7:00pm	Ice Hockey: Boys Varsity Game vs. Black						
	River Falls @ West Salem Panther Den						
7.00	Arena						
7:00pm	Wrestling: Varsity Match vs. Aquinas						
	@ West Salem High School						

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7:00pm	Wrestling: Varsity Match vs. Aquinas		Den Arena
	@ West Salem High School	Tuesday, Dec	cember 20, 2022
7:30pm	Hockey: Girls Varsity Game Ona/WS/	5:00pm	Hockey: Girls JV Game Ona/WS/Hol/
	Hol/Aq/Cen/Log/ vs. Viroqua		Aq/Cen/Log/ vs. Rochester Mayo
	@ Viroqua Community Arena		@ Omni Center
	Area High School @ West Salem	6:00pm	Basketball: Boys C-Team Game vs.
	High School	-	Central @ West Salem Middle School
Thursday, De	ecember 15, 2022	6:00pm	Basketball: Boys JV Game vs. Central
5:45pm	Basketball: Boys C-Team Game vs.	-	@ West Salem High School
•	G-E-T @ West Salem Middle School	6:00pm	Wrestling: Boys Varsity Triangular vs.
5:45pm	Basketball: Boys JV Game vs. G-E-T	-	Arcadia & Kickapoo @ Arcadia
•	@ West Salem High School		High School
6:00pm	Wrestling: Boys Varsity Triangular vs.	6:00pm	Swimming & Diving: Boys Varsity
1	Black River Falls & Viroqua	1	Meet vs. Menomonie @ UW-La Crosse
	@ Black River Falls High School	7:00pm	Hockey: Girls Varsity Game Ona/WS/
7:00pm	Basketball: Boys Varsity Game vs. G-E-T	, r	Hol/Aq/Cen/Log/ Rochester Mayo
, 10 o p 111	@ West Salem High School		@ Omni Center
Friday, Dece	mber 16, 2022	7:15pm	Basketball: Girls Varsity Game vs.
5:45pm	Basketball: Girls JV Game vs. Westby	,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,	Durand-Arkansaw @ Durand
0.107111	@ West Salem High School		High School
7:00pm	Basketball: Girls Varsity Game vs.	7:15pm	Basketball: Boys Varsity Game vs.
7.00pm	Westby Area High School @ West Salem	7.13pm	Central @ West Salem High School
	High School	Thursday, De	ecember 22, 2022
7:00pm	Ice Hockey: Boys Varsity Game vs.	6:00pm	Basketball: Girls Varsity Game vs.
7.00pm	Somerset School District @ Somerset	0.000111	Tomah @ Tomah HS
	Ice Arena	6:00pm	Gymnastics: JV/Varsity Meet vs.
7:00pm	Hockey: Girls Varsity Game Ona/WS/	0.00pm	Caledonia Area Public Schools
7.00pm	Hol/Aq/Cen/Log/ vs. Marshfield		@ Caledonia Area High School
	@ Marshfield Area Ice Arena	6:00pm	Swimming & Diving: Boys Varsity
Saturday De	cember 17, 2022	0.00pm	Meet vs. Platteville @ UW-La Crosse
9:00am	Wrestling: Varsity Tournament vs.	7:00pm	Ice Hockey: Boys Varsity Game
J.00am	Beaver Dam, Wisconsin Lutheran,	7.00pm	vs. Onalaska @ Omni Center
	Kenosha Tremper, Union Grove,	7:00pm	Wrestling: Varsity Match vs. Prairie du
	Onalaska, Kimberly, Horicon, De Forest,	7.00pm	Chien @ Prairie du Chien High School
	Cedar Grove-Belgium, Dodgeland,	7:15pm	Basketball: Girls C-Team Game vs.
	Markesan, Waukesha South & Waupun	7.13pm	Tomah @ Tomah HS
	@ Beaver Dam High School	Wednesday, December 28, 2022	
10:00am	Gymnastics: JV/Varsity Invitational	TBD	Basketball: Girls Varsity Tournament vs.
10.00a111	vs. Dodgeville, Mount Horeb, Platteville,	TDD	Adams-Friendship, Logan &
	_		Northwestern @ West Salem
	Prairie du Chien, River Valley & Southwestern @ Prairie du Chien		High School
	High School	TBD	Basketball: Boys Varsity Tournament
12.20nm	e e	100	vs. Elk Mound, Northwestern & Sparta
12:30pm	Swimming & Diving: Boys Varsity Invitational vs. Eau Claire Memorial,		@ West Salem High School
		Thursday D	e
	Chippewa Falls, Wausau East, Stevens Point, Hudson, River Falls, Marshfield,	9:00am	ecember 29, 2022 Wrestling: Varsity Invitational vs.
	Holmen & DC Everest @ Eau Claire	9.00a111	Multiple Schools-Bi-State Classic
1.45	North High School Reskethall, Roys Varsity Come vs	12.000	@ La Crosse Center Reskethall, Roys Varsity Tournament vs
1:45pm	Basketball: Boys Varsity Game vs.	12:00pm	Basketball: Boys Varsity Tournament vs.
	Verona @ Madison Area Technical		Elk Mound, Northwestern & Sparta
2.00	College		@ West Salem High School
3:00pm	Ice Hockey: Boys Varsity Game vs.		
	Waupun @ West Salem Panther		

1:45pm Basketball: Girls Varsity Tournament

vs. Adams-Friendship, Logan & Northwestern @ West Salem

High School

4:00pm Ice Hockey: Boys Varsity Invite

vs. De Pere, Northland Pines & Tomahawk @ West Salem Panther

Den Arena

Friday, December 30, 2022

9:00am Wrestling: Varsity Invitational vs.

Multiple Schools-Bi-State Classic

@ La Crosse Center

10:00am Ice Hockey: Boys Varsity Invite vs. De

Pere, Northland Pines & Tomahawk @ West Salem Panther Den Arena

Band Events

Sunday, December 11, 2022

7:00pm Winter Concert @ Heider Center

Monday, December 12, 2022

6:00pm Rotary Lights Performance

Elementary School Events

Tuesday, December 6, 2022

5:30pm Family Math Night @ ES Multi-

Purpose Room

Thursday, December 8, 2022

6:30pm 3rd Grade P.E. Night

Friday, December 23, 2022-Monday, January 2, 2023

All Day No School-Christmas Break

Middle School Events

Sunday, December 4, 2022

8:00am Trimester 1 Grades Due

Monday, December 12, 2022

6:00pm 7th Grade Band & Choir Holiday

Concert @ Heider Center

Students should report @ 5:30 p.m.

7:30pm 8th Grade Band & Choir Holiday

Concert @ Heider Center

Students should report @ 7:00pm All students are to report in concert black (Black WSMS Music Polo Black Pants, Black Socks, & Black

Shoes)

Friday, December 23, 2022-Monday, January 2, 2023

All Day No School-Christmas Break

High School Events

Sunday, December 4, 2022

4:30pm Holiday Choir and Show Choir

Concert @ Heider Center

Friday, December 9, 2022

8:00am 2nd Quarter Mid-Term

Tuesday, December 13, 2022

8:00am 2nd Quarter Mid-Term Grades

Submitted

Friday, December 23, 2022-Monday, January 2, 2023

All Day No School-Christmas Break

Keep an Eye Out!

Do you have a student that will be four by September 1, 2023? Watch our upcoming newsletters for information on 4K Registration for the 2023-2024 school year!

An Inside Look at Professional Sports

The WSHS Sports Marketing class and some members of the West Salem DECA chapter recently went to Minneapolis to tour the Minnesota Timberwolves offices, training facility, and suite level at the Target Center, and meet with the Head of Marketing to learn more about the organization. They were also able to watch a shoot around before the doors opened for the game and got to see a great contest against the Milwaukee Bucks. It was an amazing experience and the students really got to see Sports Marketing up close and personal!







District Announcements



Hands-On Career Exploration

WSHS students in our Power and Energy class, as well as those with an with interest in becoming an equipment operator recently traveled to Coloma, WI to learn about the apprenticeship program for operating heavy equipment

including cranes, bulldozers, excavators, and more at the International Union of Operating Engineers Local 139 Training Center. They listened to a panel of business owners, operators and state career academy advisors tell them about educational and job opportunities that are available to them, and got a tour of the 400 acre facility. They were also able to use simulators for excavators and dump trucks, and then they got to try using real excavators in the one acre indoor training center. Our students loved this experience and several are seriously considering it as a career option after visiting!





School Board Members

Catherine Griffin, President ~~~~~~ 769-1714
Tom Grosskopf, Vice President ~~~~~ 386-0168
Robin Fitzgerald, Clerk~~~~~~ 792-4130
Sean Gavaghan, Treasurer~~~~~ 797-3585
Erik Peterson, Director~~~~~ 385-3103
Bob Minard, Director ~~~~~ 786-9998

Board meetings are held the second and fourth Monday of every month

District Announcements

Heider Center



"A Jazzy Little Christmas - with Anna Bartlett" Friday, December 16, 2022 7:30 p.m.

Tickets: Adults: \$26/Senior Citizens: \$24/Students: \$15

Let's take a journey together through a winter wonderland of some jazzed up holiday favorites! This will be a night to remember as the magic of your favorite traditional Christmas tunes swirl through the air. This musical ensemble includes award winning musicians that love to have fun on stage with one another and with the audience.



Art Gallery

Nature, Landscapes, & Cityscapes on the walls.
Fin, Feathers and Scales in display cases.
Runs December 2-January
14, 2023

Reception

Thursday, December 8th 6:00 p.m.-7:30 p.m.

Box Office Hours (608) 786-2550 Monday, Wednesday & Friday: 1:30 to 4:00 p.m. www.heidercenter.org

Student Artwork on Display

Our elementary school art students have been working hard this year, and to recognize them, their art teacher, Mrs. Staebell, selected one piece of student artwork from each of her 26 classes to be put on display at the Hazel Brown Leicht Memorial Library in West Salem for the month of December. Congratulations to the following students: Jackson G., Xavier M., Vincent S., Coyah H., Grant E., Aiden G., Will H., Gannon M., Ashley K., Elise A., Eliza R., Riley S., Zia P., Bailey M., Henleigh T., Mackenzie D., Naz R., Lilah O., Emma J., Hayley H., Kane D., Jordy R., Owen K., Amedi J., Shazelle M. and Henry B.! Make sure to stop by the library to check out their fantastic artwork!







Special Event

The University of Wisconsin,
Badger Marching Band is coming
to the Heider Center on Saturday
February 4, 2023 at 7:00pm
One show only!
Don't miss this great opportunity
to see one of the greatest
marching bands in the country.
Tickets (and pricing) will be
available on December 26th at:
www.heidercenter.org



Looking for Important Dates?



The district school year calendar, as well as individual building events and athletic events can all be found on our district website. Go to www.wsalem.k12.wi.us and navigate to the top right corner and click on the calendar icon. From here, you can view the school year calendar, Coulee Conference Athletic calendar, Mississippi Valley Athletic calendar, and individual building events.

ADS for GRADS

The Neshonoc Yearbook Senior Tribute program, known as Ads for Grads, is a wonderful way to congratulate seniors on their accomplishments. The size options include anything from a full-page to a 1/8th page ad. The larger options provide more room for multiple photos and longer messages.

You can build your own ad online! If you would like to order online, please use the following link: https://www.jostens.com/yearbooks/students-and-parents/yearbook-ads

Our staff can also build your ad for you if you prefer. If interested please fill out the following form, and turn it into the yearbook staff **with payment** by: **Friday, February 3rd, 2023.**

Your Name:			
Address:			
Phone:			
Graduate's Name:			
Ad size:			
1/8 (\$40)	¼ (\$65)	1/2 (\$100)	Full Page (\$185)
Message:			

If the ad includes photos, please label them clearly, and send them along with this form as well as payment to West Salem High School -- Attn: Andrea Armstrong Room 242. Please make checks payable to West Salem High School. Photos will be returned. If you are emailing your photos, please send them to:

armstrong.andrea@wsalem.k12.wi.us

School District of West Salem **Regular Board Meeting Minutes** November 14, 2022 **Marie Heider Meeting Room** 7:00 p.m.

Convene

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by President Catherine Griffin. The meeting was noticed to the Coulee Courier, La Crosse Tribune, WLSU Radio 89 FM, WXOW TV-19, WKBT-TV, WKTY, Union State Bank, First Community Credit Union, Village of West Salem, posted at each school, district website, and district office on November 10, 2022.

Pledge of Allegiance to the American Flag

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

Roll Call

Present: Erik Peterson, Chris Peterson, Bob Minard, Tom Grosskopf, Catherine Griffin, and Robin Fitzgerald. Also in attendance -Administration: Ryan Rieber, Ben Wopat, Heidi Horton, Mike Malott, Deanna Wiatt, and Shawn Handland; Student representatives: Madison MacRogers and Brennan Kennedy. Recording secretary: Patrick Bahr. Excused: Sean Gavaghan.

Approval of Agenda

C. Peterson moved, R. Fitzgerald seconded to approve the agenda as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

Written and Oral Reports

CESA #4 Board of Control - C. Griffin reported on the Board of Control's agenda.

Business Operations Committee - Tom Grosskopf reported on the agenda items: chillers, OEC shelter and kitchen remodel.

Board Grant Review Committee - Bob Minard reported on the agenda item, board grant recipients.

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

Connection with the Community

Madison MacRogers, Student Representative, reported on:

- 1. Both the boys' and girls' cross country teams competed at the division 2 state meet a couple weeks ago where the girls placed 8th and the boys
- 2. The girls' volleyball team had a great season finishing with a tough battle against Bloomer in the sectional semifinals.
- 3. The football team won level four playoffs against Onalaska 37-14 and will play Monroe in the state championship this Friday at Camp Randall at 10:00 a.m. This will be the football team's first time back to the state championship since 2007. Luke Noel (inside linebacker) and Brennan Kennedy (defensive back) were nominated and received Wisconsin Football Coaches Association (WFCA) Small School All-State Team, and Connor Bahr (defensive end) received WFCA Small School Honorable Mention All-State.
- 4. Priva Oshan and Lauren Zarecki swam at the Division 1 State Meet this past weekend with their 200 medley and 400 free relay teams.
- 5. Winter sports have now officially started with boys' and girls' hockey, gymnastics, dance team, and girls' basketball starting last week; and boys' basketball and wrestling starting today.

Brennan Kennedy, Student Representative, reported on:

- 1. The Sports Marketing class, Personal Finance class and DECA went on a great field trip to the Target Center for a Milwaukee Bucks vs Minnesota Timberwolves game where they learned about the marketing and management behind a professional sports team.
- 2. A couple of weeks ago DECA put on a successful haunted tunnel which

was run by DECA member Kirah Goede.

- 3. The National Honor Society (NHS) had a successful trick-or-can fundraiser; donating the canned goods collected to the local food pantry.
- 4. The Ecology Club put on a successful clothing drive last week.
- 5. Last night, Anthony Balboa held his SEP project where he had musicians from all musical backgrounds perform to raise money for the performing arts department and raising about \$200.

High School Spanish Teacher Shelly Helland and students Sidney Flack, Emily Sanwick, Reece Sackett, and Rylan Riste provided a recap of the 2022 Dominican Trip.

Director of Technology Craig Halvorson provided a district technology update.

Correspondence - None.

Public Comments - None.

Consent Agenda

- R. Fitzgerald moved, E. Peterson seconded to approve the following Consent Agenda items:
- a. the Regular Board Meeting Minutes of October 24, 2022; b.the invoices to be paid;
- c. to accept the administration's co-curricular recommendations or volunteer gymnastics coach-Hannah Bunde and Orin Schwier; d. to accept donations from Morries West Salem for the elementary school, from Kiley Clauson for the softball program, from Delta kappa Gamma-Theta Chapter for the elementary school LMC, from Holly Hanson for the Nutrition Services Department, from the Panther Booster Club to Austin Smith's SEP project for the athletic department, from LAREA to the Pupil Services Department, and from the Knights of Columbus #9438 to the Pupil Services Department.

Motion carried unanimously.

Discussion/Action Items:

T. Grosskopf moved, C. Peterson seconded to approve the Start College Now/Early College Credit requests for the spring of 2023. Motion carried unanimously.

- E. Peterson moved, R. Fitzgerald seconded to accept the Business Operations Committee's recommendation to go with a Screw Chiller for the high school and a Scroll Chiller for the elementary school, and to accept the bid from August Winter Inc., including an extended warranty. Motion carried unanimously.
- T. Grosskopf moved, B. Minard seconded to accept the Business Operations Committee's recommendation to accept the bids from John Mast Masonry and Waldenberger Inc. for the OEC shelter project at an estimated cost of \$42,000 to complete the project. Motion carried. (6-0) C. Griffin-abstained
- E. Peterson moved, C. Peterson seconded to accept the Business Operations Committee's recommendation to approve the Boys and Girls Club of Greater La Crosse's request to alter the old middle school kitchen, and for the district to replace the floor at an estimated cost of \$32,000. Motion carried unanimously.
- R. Fitzgerald moved, C. Peterson seconded to accept the recommendations of the Board Grant Review Committee and approve School Board Grants as follows:

Applicant: Erika Olson & Jack Reader Grant Request: Gaga Ball for all Grant Awarded: \$1,000

Applicant: Jason Holter

Grant Request: Dual Air Fusion IQ Press

Grant Awarded: \$5,591

Applicant: Josh Brewer

Grant Request: S.U.P. Lifetime Activity

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Grant Awarded: \$3,416 Motion carried unanimously.

C. Peterson moved, T. Grosskopf seconded to approve the 2023-2024 School Calendar. Motion carried unanimously.

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

Live Streaming of the Board Meeting ended, as noted on the Public Meeting Notice.

C. Griffin welcomed the motion for 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 the evaluation of the superintendent.

R. Fitzgerald moved, E. Peterson seconded that the Board convene in closed session at 8:10 p.m. A roll vote was taken: R. Fitzgerald, Aye; E. Peterson, Aye; C. Peterson, Aye; C. Griffin, Aye; T. Grosskopf, Aye; and B. Minard, Aye. Motion carried unanimously.

Closed Session

Adjournment

C. Peterson moved, R. Fitzgerald seconded to adjourn at 8:38 p.m. Motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted, Robin Fitzgerald, Clerk

School District of West Salem Special Board Meeting Minutes November 16, 2022 Marie Heider Meeting Room 6:00 p.m.

Convene

The meeting was called to order at 6:01 p.m. by President Catherine Griffin. The meeting was noticed to the Coulee Courier, La Crosse Tribune, WLSU Radio 89 FM, WXOW TV-19, WKBT-TV, WKTY, Union State Bank, First Community Credit Union, Village of West Salem, posted at each school, district website, and district office on November 10, 2022. This meeting was at the request of a Board Member.

Pledge of Allegiance to the American Flag Robin Fitzgerald led everyone in the recitation of the Pledge of Allegiance and Chris Peterson recited the District Mission Statement.

Roll Call

Present: Erik Peterson, Chris Peterson, Bob Minard, Tom Grosskopf, Catherine Griffin, and Robin Fitzgerald. Also in attendance – Administration: Ryan Rieber. Recording secretary: Patrick Bahr. Excused: Sean Gavaghan

Approval of Agenda

C. Peterson moved, R. Fitzgerald seconded to approve the agenda as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

Closed Session

Catherine Griffin welcomed the motion for closed session: Closed session, pursuant to WI Statutes 19.85(1)(f) Considering financial, medical, social or personal histories or disciplinary data of specific persons, preliminary consideration of specific personnel problems or the investigation of charges against specific persons except where par. (b) applies which, if discussed in public, would be likely to have a substantial adverse effect upon the reputation of any person referred to in such histories or data, or involved in such problems or investigations; to discuss, consider and take action, if appropriate, regarding complaint against an administrator.

R. Fitzgerald moved, C. Peterson seconded that the Board convene in closed session at 6:02 p.m. A roll vote was taken: R. Fitzgerald, Aye; E. Peterson, Aye; C. Peterson, Aye; C. Griffin, Aye; T. Grosskopf, Aye; and B. Minard, Aye. Motion carried unanimously.

Closed Session

Adjournment

C. Peterson moved, B. Minard seconded to adjourn at 10:00 p.m. Motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted, Robin Fitzgerald, Clerk

Honoring and Thanking Those Who Have Served

On Friday, November 11, all three of our schools held their annual Veterans Day ceremonies. We were happy to welcome our local veterans to our ceremonies, where our students honored them in a variety of different ways. Our elementary school students sang the songs of the military branches while shaking hands with our veterans and thanking them for their service and our middle and high school choirs

and bands performed the songs as well while also speaking about the history of Veterans Day. Some of the veterans also shared about their experiences and what it means to be a veteran. We offer our utmost gratitude to the brave men and women that have fought for our country and our freedom and we are proud to celebrate them on Veterans Day and all throughout the year.





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Did You Know?

Most of the beets grown in Wisconsin are red beets, but there are also pink, purple, white, and yellow beets!



Check out videos and photos of the innovative things happening in your student's classroom at our district Facebook page and Twitter page. Our social media features videos of student activities, teacher features, classroom selfie photos, etc...

Check out our Facebook page
@SchoolDistrictofWestSalem
and
Follow us on Twitter
@WestSalemSD
and Instagram
@schooldistrictofwestsalem







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*click Calendars and then *click Coulee Conference/Mississippi Valley Conference

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