

School District of West Salem
Regular Board Meeting Minutes
November 9, 2015
Marie Heider Meeting Room – 7:00 p.m.

Convene

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by President Thomas Helgeson. 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'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 November 5, 2015.

Pledge of Allegiance to the American Flag

Brennan Bahr led everyone in the recitation of the Pledge of Allegiance and Eric Jensen recited the District Mission Statement.

Roll Call

Present: Syl Clements, Jane Halverson, Thomas Helgeson, Scott Scafe, Ken Schlimgen, and Catherine Griffin. Also in attendance – Administrators: Troy Gunderson, Ben Wopat, Eric Jensen, Josh Mallicoat, Mike Malott, John Smalley, Michael St. Pierre, and Lisa Gerke; Student representatives: Gretchen Hanchette and Brennan Bahr. Recording secretary: Patrick Bahr. Excused: Tom Grosskopf and Davita Molling.

Approval of Agenda

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

Connection with the Community

Gretchen Hanchette reported on:

1. The high school wrestling season begins next Monday.
2. The high school Interact group participated in Logan's iFeed.
3. Alison Servais held her Senior Exit Project: Toy Drive.

Brennan Bahr reported on:

1. The high school won the American Family Insurance High School Challenge and will receive \$20,000 of clothing from Under Armour clothing.
2. The high school hockey team started practice today.
3. The high school volleyball team had their last games at Steven's Point ending their post season competition.
4. The girls' basketball team started practicing this week.
5. The boys' basketball team will start practicing team next week.

Correspondence

A thank you note from Alicia Lokken was read.

Public comments – None.

Written and Oral Reports

CESA #4 Board of Control – Mrs. Halverson reported that the Board met and highlighted the meeting.

Consent Agenda

Mrs. Halverson moved, Mr. Scafe seconded to approve the Regular Board Meeting Minutes of October 26, 2015; invoices to be paid; and the Open Enrollment Requests for 2015-16 school year. Motion carried unanimously.

Discussion/Action Items:

Mrs. Halverson moved, Mr. Scafe seconded to accept donations from Naill Kader for the High School Art Department, from John Schaitel for the High School Tech Ed Department, and from the Wisconsin Beef Council, Inc. and Wisconsin Dairy Council-Wisconsin Milk Marketing Board for the High School Family & Consumer Science program. Motion carried unanimously.

West Salem High School student Drew Tschumper presented his Senior Exit Project request to construct an archway to the baseball field. Rick Schultz of the Friends of West Salem Baseball was present to assist in answering questions. Mr. Schlimgen moved, Mr. Scafe seconded to approve the project as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

The Board held a discussion on the Performance Initiative: Technology. No action was taken.

Mr. Gunderson led a discussion regarding the proposed 2016-17 school calendar. No action was taken.

Mr. Gunderson led a discussion on the district survey results and plans for moving forward. No action was taken.

The board grants application process was reviewed. No action was taken.

Mrs. Halverson moved, Mr. Scafe seconded to approve for a second reading of policy #370-Rule B High School Co-Curricular Activity Eligibility Requirements and Code of Conduct, #830.3 District Fitness Center/Indoor Track and #321 School Calendar/Year. Motion carried unanimously.

Mrs. Halverson moved, Mr. Clements seconded to accept the administration's co-curricular recommendation: Adam Kratochvill, middle school wrestling volunteer coach; Angie Hemker, Odyssey of the Mind Leader; Jen Wheeler, Amanda Flottmeier, Shannon Jones, Kamry Long, Stephanie Sharp, Alex Sanders, Angie Hemker, Carrie Johnson, and Amy Hanson, Odyssey of the Mind Coaches; and Kirstin Tschumper, gymnastics assistant coach. Motion carried unanimously.

Mrs. Halverson moved, Mr. Schlimgen seconded to hire Travis Seigenthaler as a part-time custodian. Motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Helgeson 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 an employment request from a teacher and the superintendent evaluation.

Mr. Scafe moved, Mrs. Griffin seconded that the Board convene in closed session at 8:57 p.m. A roll vote was taken: Mr. Scafe, Aye; Mr. Helgeson, Aye; Mr. Clements, Aye; Mrs. Halverson, Aye; Mrs. Griffin, Aye; and Mr. Schlimgen, Aye. Motion carried unanimously.

Closed Session

Adjournment

Mr. Schlimgen moved, Mr. Scafe seconded to adjourn at 9:08 p.m. Motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Jane Halverson, Clerk