

School District of West Salem
Regular Board Meeting Minutes
May 6, 2019
Marie Heider Meeting Room – 7:00 p.m.

Convene

The meeting was called to order at 7:02 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 May 6, 2019.

Pledge of Allegiance to the American Flag

Catherine Griffin led everyone in the recitation of the Pledge of Allegiance and Sean Gavaghan 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, Eric Jensen, Mike Malott, Ryan Rieber, Deanna Wiatt, and Shawn Handland; Recording secretary: Patrick Bahr. Excused: Ben Wopat

Approval of Agenda

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

Connection with the Community

Correspondence

Proclamation by State Superintendent of Public Instruction Carolyn Stanford Taylor proclaiming May 3, 2019 as School Lunch Hero Day was read.

Written and Oral Reports

District Strategic Initiative updates by the Superintendent Cabinet Team and the Superintendent were reviewed.

Mr. Gunderson announced: the resignation of Amanda Payne as a driver and the resignation of Teresa Kerrigan as a middle school paraprofessional.

Consent Agenda

Mr. Schlimgen moved, Mr. Grosskopf seconded to approve the Regular Board Meeting Minutes of April 22, 2019; the invoices to be paid; the resignation of high school special education teacher Nickolas Brandt; to accept the donation from Eric & Caitlin Wilson for the 4k Book of the Month program. Motion carried unanimously.

Discussion/Action Items:

Mr. Schlimgen moved, Mrs. Griffin seconded to accept the administration's recommendation to issue contracts to the school psychologists and teachers for the 19-20 school year as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Schlimgen moved, Mrs. Griffin seconded to accept the administration's recommendation to issue contracts to the bus drivers for the 19-20 school year as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

Mrs. Halverson 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 issuing final notice(s) of nonrenewal to professional staff, in accordance with Wis. § Stat 118.22; and Wis. Stats §19.85(1) (e) deliberating or negotiating or bargaining reasons require a closed session; for the purpose of discussing the employee compensation with the West Salem Education Association for the 2019-2020 school year.

Mr. Schlimgen moved, Mrs. Griffin seconded that the Board convene in closed session at 7:11 p.m. A roll vote was taken: Mrs. Fitzgerald, Aye; Mr. Gavaghan, Aye; Mr. Clements, Aye; Mrs. Halverson, Aye; Mrs. Griffin, Aye; Mr. Grosskopf, Aye; and Mr. Schlimgen, Aye. Motion carried unanimously.

Closed Session

Mr. Schlimgen moved, Mr. Grosskopf seconded to reconvene into Open Session at 7:16 p.m. Motion carried unanimously.

Open Session

Mr. Grosskopf moved, Mr. Clements seconded to issue final notice of non-renewal to high school Pamela Hansen as a result of a reduction in the number of scheduled sections in science at our high school, and to Emily Rose who was on a one-year contract for the 18-19 school year. Motion carried unanimously.

Board Development

Chapters 3 & 4 in The School Board Field Book: Leading with Vision by Mark Van Clay and Perry Soldwedel. No action was taken.

Adjournment

Mrs. Griffin moved, Mr. Schlimgen seconded to adjourn at 8:56 p.m. Motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Robin Fitzgerald, Clerk