

School District of West Salem
Regular Board Meeting Minutes
July 24, 2017
Marie Heider Meeting Room – 7:00 p.m.

Convene

The meeting was called to order at 7:01 p.m. by President Syl Clements. 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 July 20, 2017.

Pledge of Allegiance to the American Flag

Nate Krien led everyone in the recitation of the Pledge of Allegiance and Davita Molling recited the District Mission Statement.

Roll Call

Present: Syl Clements, Jane Halverson, Tom Grosskopf, Catherine Griffin, and Melinda Kopnisky-Bloomfield. Also in attendance – Administrators: Troy Gunderson and Ben Wopat. Student representatives: Nate Krien and Alexis Brueggen. Recording secretary: Patrick Bahr. Excused: Ken Schlimgen, Eric Jensen, Josh Mallicoat, Mike Malott, Ryan Rieber, Michael St. Pierre, and Lisa Gerke

Approval of Agenda

Mrs. Halverson moved, Mrs. Kopnisky-Bloomfield seconded to approve the agenda as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

Connection with the Community

Alexis Brueggen reported on:

1. Summer school started last Tuesday, July 18, 2017.
2. The high school fall sports meeting will be July 31.
3. The high school sports will be starting in August.

Nate Krien reported on:

1. The high school DECA club participated in a workshop in Madison. Abby Sharp won the team one admission into the state competition.
2. The 1st Community Credit Union hired Junior Grady LaJeunesse as part of the Credit Union's Student Teller Program and the school's Youth Apprenticeship Program.

Correspondence

Mr. Clements presented former Director of Finance, Davita Molling, with her 10-Year Service Certificate.

A press release from CESA #10 regarding the districts Energy Management Program and commending the district and Director of Buildings and Grounds, Scott Johnson, for their good work, was read.

Public comments – None.

Written and Oral Reports

District Performance Initiative updates by Scott Johnson, Rick Kline and Troy Gunderson were reviewed. Davita Molling verbally presented her report on the district's finances.

Consent Agenda

Mrs. Halverson moved, Mrs. Kopnisky-Bloomfield seconded to approve the Regular Board Meeting Minutes of July 10, 2017; the Special Board Meeting minutes of July 20, 2017; invoices to be paid; hire Suzanne Lauscher as a part-time cook and Samantha Schmitz as the district's Public Relations Specialist/Grant Writer; no co-curricular recommendations; accept the resignation of Paraprofessional Megan Schrock and Physical Education Teacher Erin Ellerbach; and the Open Enrollment requests for the 17-18 school year as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

Discussion/Action Items:

Mrs. Halverson moved, Mrs. Griffin seconded to accept donations from Dennis and Barbara Manthei for the Manthei Science Scholarship, from the West Salem Booster Club baseball fund for the baseball team, and from the American Legion Post 51 for Damian Miller Field. Motion carried unanimously.

High school teachers Kathy Hilby, Jenna Umbeger and Melissa Haas presented the district's Academic and Career Plan. Mrs. Halverson moved, Mrs. Kopnisky-Bloomfield seconded to approve the Academic and Career Plan as presented. Motion carried. 4-Aye, 1-Nay (Mr. Grosskopf)

Mr. Gunderson reviewed the previous meetings' department projection summaries.

Mrs. Griffin moved, Mr. Grosskopf seconded to approve the Middle School Student and Parent Handbook and Co-Curricular Handbook. Motion carried unanimously. No action was taken on the elementary and high school Student and Parent Handbooks.

Mr. Grosskopf moved, Mrs. Griffin seconded to approve for a first reading of policy #761 Food Service Accounts [Meal Charge – Unpaid Meal Accounts] as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Clements 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 mid-year review of the superintendent and compensation for the Director of Finance.

Mrs. Griffin moved, Mrs. Kopnisky-Bloomfield seconded that the Board convene in closed session at 8:30 p.m. A roll vote was taken: Mrs. Kopnisky-Bloomfield, Aye; Mr. Clements, Aye; Mrs. Halverson, Aye; Mrs. Griffin, Aye; and Mr. Grosskopf, Aye. Motion carried unanimously.

Closed Session

Adjournment

Mrs. Griffin moved, Mr. Grosskopf seconded to adjourn at 8:45 p.m. Motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Jane Halverson, Clerk