

WESTERN DUBUQUE COUNTY COMMUNITY SCHOOL DISTRICT

Board of Education
Regular Meeting Minutes
May 9, 2016 6:00 P.M.

Call to Order:

Board President Mark Knuth called the meeting to order at 6:02 p.m. in the Board Room, District Administration Office, Farley, Iowa, with a moment of silence.

Roll Call:

Present were President Mark Knuth, Vice-President Chad Vaske, Board members John Lembezeder, Jessica Pape, Mark Tilson, and Superintendent Rick Colpitts.

Approval of Agenda:

Motion by Lembezeder, second by Pape to approve the agenda as published with the following additions as presented. Motion passed 5-0.

VI. Consent Agenda

2. Personnel

b. Employment

10. Laura Foust, Co-Coach Poms/Dance, CHS, \$1,903.20
11. Aimee Kramer, Co-Coach Poms/Dance, CHS, \$1,903.20
12. Derick Ludwig, Asst. Sophomore Baseball, WDHS, \$1,756.80
13. Nick Maneman, Freshmen Baseball, WDHS, \$2,342.40
14. Samantha Meyer, .8 FTE Pre-kindergarten Teacher, EES, BA, Step 3 of 2016-17 Teachers' Salary Schedule
15. Stephanie Schmidt, .8 FTE Pre-kindergarten Teacher, EES, BA, Step 1 of 2016-17 Teachers' Salary Schedule

Welcome to Visitors, Press, Staff, etc.:

Open Forum: No comments or communications were received.

Approval of Minutes and Bills:

1. Minutes of April 11, 2016 regular Board meeting. Motion by Vaske, second by Lembezeder to approve the minutes as presented. Motion passed 5-0.
2. Bills and Claims for the month of April. Motion by Tilson, second by Vaske to approve the bills as presented. Motion passed 5-0.

Reports:

1. Principals' Reports: Principal Mary Jane Maher reported approximately 100 students attended Family Groove Night sponsored by PTO; band and choir concerts to be held next week at WDHS auditorium; 4th Annual DMIS Talent Show June 2nd at 7:00 p.m.; Principal Linda Martin indicated Dyersville area businesses supportive of Read and Run Field Day being held tomorrow; Grade Level Reading Campaign underway with all students receiving a book and McDonald's to provide ice cream cones; hiring a preschool teacher; Principals recognized Board members and thanked them for their dedicated service; Principal Dan Butler reported EES' 3rd Annual Walkathon raised \$17,000 to be used for construction of gaga ball pit and purchase of additional iPads; Mr. Butler commended Instructor Tony Ball for his work with PES, EES, and FES students at the May 6th Track and Field day; Instructor Kim Strief recognized for three straight weeks of outstanding music programs; Eighteen WDHS students selected for DAYLC; Mr. Hoeger commended Julie Vaughn and Math Club students on a first place finish at State; recognized Girls' Track team and Coach Jerry Ross, Coach of the Year, for earning the WaMaC title; and Instructors Steve Seay and Dave McLaughlin for their work to setup new Vocational Building.

2. Superintendent's Report: Mr. Colpitts reported the following: 1) Commended Mark Frasher, Chief Negotiator, on reaching a tentative agreement with WDEA and Teamsters unions and noted the strong working relationship with both groups; 2) Teachers and Instructional Coaches excited about next year's learning labs and secondary PD plans as presented April 29th. 3) Winner of the Teacher Appreciation Week personal leave day giveaway drawing was Lisa Ludwig, DES; 4) Instructional Rounds at school buildings going well; have been through seven of nine schools; 5) WDHS Booster Club Banquet raised over \$30,000; 6) CHS production of West Side Story showcased students' talents; 7) Luke Rauen commended for successful WDHS FFA Banquet.
3. Technology Plan Update: Director of Technology Systems Nathan Corbin provided the Board an overview of summer technology plans including: 1) computer replacements at FES and DMIS campus with COWS (computers on wheels) being replaced with more powerful, touch-screen laptops; 2) Complete new wiring system installation at both high schools with access point in every classroom enabling 30 plus devices to be connected per classroom at a time; up to 1,600 total devices connected at once. Mr. Corbin indicated that for the last twelve months he has researched systems at other school districts and worked with engineers in order to prepare for the upgrade. The plan is to go district-wide with classroom access points next year.
4. Instructional Technology Report: Director of Instructional Technology Jim Roberts presented the Board a video showcasing how technology assists students and instructors in the classrooms on a daily basis. Highlights included use of: Clickers; Kahoot!; robotics, code.org website; interactive whiteboards; The Hub; ebooks; iPads, and Office 365. Teachers are recording lessons for online viewing later; parents have online access to student grades via parent portal; Aimsweb assessment results are being uploaded to the Department of Education; technology PD is being offered; and monthly Campus meetings are being held.
5. SIAC Report: Superintendent Colpitts indicated this is the last Board meeting for Director of Student Services Tina Brestrup as she will finish her contract before the June Board meeting. Mr. Colpitts and Board members thanked Ms. Brestrup and commended her for the work she has done for students and the District. Superintendent Colpitts reported that at the April 6 SIAC meeting the new website layout was reviewed, drafts of the new District logo presented, trimester schedule analyzed, and recognition options other than valedictorian and salutatorian considered.
6. School Board Recognition Month: Board Secretary Jeni Schindler read the following School Board Member Recognition Proclamation:

Whereas, Iowa school boards create a vision for what students should know and be able to do;
Whereas, Iowa school boards establish clear standards for student performance;
Whereas, Iowa school boards ensure that student assessments are tied to established standards;
Whereas, Iowa school boards are accountable to the community for operating schools that support student achievement;
Whereas, Iowa school boards align school district resources to ensure that students meet standards;
Whereas, Iowa school boards create a climate that supports the philosophy that all children can learn at high levels;
Whereas, Iowa school boards build collaborative relationships based on trust, teamwork and shared accountability; and
Whereas, Iowa school boards are committed to continuous education and training on issues related to student achievement.

NOW, THEREFORE, Superintendent Rick Colpitts, hereby declares his appreciation to the members of the Western Dubuque Community School District School Board and proclaims May 2016 to be Iowa School Board Recognition Month.

Superintendent Colpitts thanked Board members for their dedication and hard work in advocating for students.

Consent Agenda: Motion by Tilson, second by Pape, to approve the consent agenda as presented. Motion passed 5-0.

1. Financial Reports of District

2. Personnel

a. Resignations

1. Jacob Brindle, Asst. Varsity Boys' Basketball, CHS
2. Josie Kennicott, Asst. Varsity Girls' Track, WDHS

a. Employment

1. Alyssa Bergfeld, Spec. Ed. Teacher, PES, Lane BA, Step 1, of 2016-17 Teachers' Salary Schedule
2. Merlin Besler, Night Custodian, WDHS, \$15.48/hr.
3. Jacob Brindle, Head Boys' Varsity Basketball, CHS, 18% of 2016-17 Supplemental Base
4. Vicky Coyle, \$54,000.00
5. Leanne Hoeger, Additional .5 FTE as Elementary Teacher for 2016-17, BES
6. Brynn Kolpin, Spec. Ed. Teacher, CHS, Change 2016-17 Teacher Salary Schedule placement from MA, Step 3, to MA, Step 4
7. Kerri Kramer, FES, .8 FTE Pre-kindergarten Teacher, BA, Step 6, of 2016-17 Teachers' Salary Schedule
8. Barbara Lex, HS Drama Director, WDHS, 6% of 2016-17 Supplemental Base
9. Kori Mahoney, 7th Grade Lang. Arts, Social Studies, DMIS, Lane MA, Step 3, of 2016-17 Teachers' Salary Schedule
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3. Out of State Travel

- a. CHS & WDHS FBLA to National Leadership Conference in Atlanta, GA June 27 - July 3

4. Policy Revisions 2nd Readings

- a. Policies 502.1 - 504.6

5. Equipment/Fund Raising Project Requests - None

6. Resolutions

- a. Teacher Appreciation Week
- b. School Board Recognition Month
- c. National Nurses' Day
- d. Child Nutrition Employee Recognition Week

Old Business:

1. Approve revision to 2016-17 School Calendar moving October 14 No School, Contracted Teacher Learning to October 7, 2016. Motion by Vaske, second by Lembezeder to revise the 2016-17 School Calendar moving the October 14 No School, Contracted Teacher Learning day to October 7, 2016, due to a conflict with homecoming week activities. Motion passed 5-0.

New Business:

1. Approval of Handbooks: Motion by Tilson, second by Lembezeder to approve Middle School and High School Handbooks as presented. Motion passed 5-0.
 - a. Middle School
 - b. High School
2. Approval of School Bus Bids: Motion by Tilson, second by Lembezeder to award bus bid for five busses; one 46 passenger lift bus and four 77 passenger conventional busses, to Hogle Bus Sales in the amount of \$393,055. Director of Maintenance and Transportation Bob Hingtgen indicated pricing was very competitive this year. Hogle's price for the 77 passenger bus this year is cheaper than their bid for a 65 passenger bus last year. Motion passed 5-0.

3. Approval of 2016-2017 Teacher Master Contract: Motion by Pape, second by Tilson to approve the Teacher Master Contract agreement with the WDEA for the 2016-17 school year. Business Manager Mark Frasher indicated the 3.4% increase adds \$500 to the B.A. base. Motion passed 5-0.

Adjournment: Motion by Lembezeder, second by Vaske to adjourn. Motion passed 5-0. The meeting adjourned at 6:50 p.m. on May 9, 2016.

Jeni Schindler
Board Secretary

Date

Mark Knuth
President, Board of Education

Date