

WESTERN DUBUQUE COUNTY COMMUNITY SCHOOL DISTRICT

Board of Education Minutes

Regular Meeting

July 14, 2014 6:00 P.M.

Call to Order:

Board President Gary McAndrew called the meeting to order at 6:01 p.m. in the Board Room – District Administration Office, Farley, Iowa, with reading of the District Mission and Core Values.

Roll Call:

Present were President Gary McAndrew, Vice-President Mark Knuth, Jeanne Coppola, Chad Vaske and Superintendent Jeff Corkery. Absent: Mark Tilson.

Approval of Agenda:

The following additions to the published agenda were presented:

Consent Agenda:

2. Personnel

a. Resignations

1. David Anderson – Instrumental Music Teacher – DMIS
2. David Anderson – HS Instrumental Musical Asst. – CHS
3. David Anderson – MS Band Asst. Dir. – DMIS
4. David Anderson – 15 Days Summer Band (2015) – DMIS
5. Jamie Bahl – Varsity Assistant Football – WDHS
16. Nick Weidenbacher – Freshman Asst. Football – WDHS

Motion by Knuth, second by Vaske to approve the agenda as published with additions presented. Motion passed 4-0.

Welcome to Visitors, Press, Staff, etc.:

Open Forum: No comments were received.

Approval of Minutes and Bills:

1. Minutes of June 9, 2014 Regular Meeting. Motion by Vaske, second by Coppola to approve the minutes. Motion passed 4-0.
2. Bills and Claims for the month of June. Motion by Coppola, second by Knuth to approve the bills. Motion passed 4-0.

Reports:

1. Principals' Reports: None
2. Superintendent's Report: Mr. Corkery reported: 1) Cascade Jr./Sr. High School and Western Dubuque High School received Honor Council Awards from Iowa Association of Student Councils; 2) Western Dubuque Fine Arts Booster Club is conducting a membership drive; 3) Cascade Jr./Sr. High School received a donation of \$15,600.00 from CHS Athletic Boosters to assist with transportation costs, state tournament expenses, and medical supplies; 4) Addition of auditorium manager position at WDHS.
3. Professional Development calendar and plan for upcoming year: Superintendent Corkery provided an overview of 2014-15 elementary and secondary professional development calendars and focus areas.
4. SIAC Report: Superintendent Corkery reported the SIAC Committee met twice during 2013-14 school year and the focus was: 1) book study regarding parent and community involvement in public education; 2) trimester study; 3) school calendar hours vs. days legislation; and 4) parent satisfaction survey results.

Consent Agenda: Superintendent Corkery recommended coaching resignations from teaching staff be accepted contingent upon finding suitable replacements. Motion by Coppola, second by Knuth to approve the Consent Agenda with additions; pending suitable replacements are found. Motion passed 4-0.

1. Financial Reports of District
2. Personnel
 - a. Resignations
 1. David Anderson – Instrumental Music Teacher – DMIS
 2. David Anderson – HS Instrumental Musical Asst. – CHS
 3. David Anderson – MS Band Asst. Dir. – DMIS
 4. David Anderson – 15 Days Summer Band (2015) - DMIS
 5. Jamie Bahl – Varsity Assistant Football - WDHS
 6. Dan Butler – Varsity Assistant Football – WDHS
 7. Roamn Hummel – Freshman Basketball – CHS
 8. Tom Jasper – Head Sophomore Football - WDHS
 9. Brian Kuhle – English Teacher – WDHS
 10. Brian Kuhle – Varsity Football – WDHS
 11. Brian Kuhle – Varsity Boys Track Assistant – WDHS
 12. Brian Kuhle - Weight Room Supervisor ¼ time – WDHS
 13. Sharla Schmidt - .55 FTE Instrumental Music Teacher – CES (Effective end of the 2014-2015 school year)
 14. Sharla Schmidt – 6 Days Summer Band (effective 2015) - CES
 15. Amy Streck – Vocal Musical Assistant – CHS
 16. Nick Weidenbacher – Freshman Assistant Football - WDHS
 - b. Employment
 1. Lacey Downey – Middle School Teacher – CHS \$33,500.00
 2. Tom Jasper – Assistant Varsity Football – WDHS \$3,442.20
 3. Barbara Lex – English Teacher – WDHS \$41,710.50
 4. Matthew Manning – Special Education Teacher – WDHS \$33,500.00
 5. Matthew Manning – 7th Grade Assistant Football – DMIS \$1,721.10
 6. Justin Penner – Physical Education Teacher – District-wide \$51,336.00
 7. Justin Penner – Head Varsity Football – WDHS \$5,163.30
 8. Katelyn Valenti – English Teacher – WDHS \$35,935.20
 9. Chloe Vassmer – Vocal Music Director – CHS \$3,442.20
 10. Alyssa Weeks – 7th Grade Volleyball – DMIS \$1,721.10
 11. Benjamin Wilson – Boys Varsity Golf – WDHS \$2,868.50
3. Out of State Travel - None
4. Policy Revisions 2nd Readings - None
5. Equipment/Fund Raising Project Requests
 - a. Cascade Booster Club
 1. Wrestling Room Flooring
 2. Weight Room Flooring
 3. Locker Room Renovation
 4. Electronic Display of “Wall of Fame”
 - b. HP Networking Equipment – CHS addition
 - c. Laptop Replacements – CHS, DMIS, WDHS
 - d. Lockers – WDHS
6. Resolutions - None

Old Business:

1. 2015 IASB Legislative Action Priorities: Motion by Vaske, second by Knuth to approve the following list of priorities. Motion passed 4-0.
 - a. Supports a funding mechanism for school districts' transportation costs that does not directly or indirectly impact funding for the educational program.
 - b. Supports setting supplemental state aid (replaces the term allowable growth) by the date specified in the Iowa Code at a rate that encourages continuous school improvement and reflects actual cost increases experienced by school districts and AEAs. Our priority is to increase the state cost per pupil and the spending authority associated with it to build a strong base for future education resources.
 - c. Supports preserving the integrity of the statewide penny sales tax for school infrastructure, including the tax equity provisions of buying down the highest additional levy rates to the state average.
 - d. Supports the use of physical plant and equipment levy (PPEL) funds for the maintenance and repair of transportation equipment that can be purchased or financed with PPEL funds.
 - e. Supports sufficient state revenues to adequately fund public education as Iowa's number one priority. IASB opposes erosion of the existing tax base. IASB supports a full accounting every two years by state government of the costs of all exemptions, credits or deductions for the income tax, sales tax or property tax.

New Business:

1. Approve Bakery Bids: Motion by Vaske, second by Knuth to award the bid for bakery products to Bimbo Bakeries for the 2014-15 school year. Motion passed 4-0.
2. Approve Dairy Bids: Motion by Coppola, second by Knuth to award the bid for dairy products to Prairie Farms for the 2014-15 school year. Motion passed 4-0.
3. Approve Change Order #7 – CHS project: Motion by Knuth, second by Vaske to approve CHS change order #7 in the amount of \$33,399.75 with the majority of the increase coming from weight room drain revisions and relocation of storm riser. Motion passed 4-0.
4. Approve Change Order #5 – WDHS project: Motion by Coppola, second by Vaske to approve WDHS change order #5 in the amount of \$30,643.34 with the majority of the increase coming from office area renovations and replacement of electrical distribution panel in boiler room. Motion passed 4-0.
5. Appoint Board Secretary: Motion by Coppola, second by Knuth to appoint Jeni Schindler as School Board Secretary for the 2014-15 fiscal year. Motion passed 4-0.
6. Appoint Board Treasurer: Motion by Knuth, second by Vaske to appoint Mark Frasher as School Board Treasurer for the 2014-15 fiscal year. Motion passed 4-0.
7. Set Substitute Teacher pay for 2014-2015: Set substitute teacher pay at \$114.16 per day for the 2014-15 school year in accordance with Board policy number 410.1.

Adjournment: Motion by Knuth, second by Coppola to adjourn. Motion passed 4-0. The meeting adjourned at 6:37 p.m. on July 14, 2014.

Jeni Schindler
Board Secretary

Gary McAndrew
President, Board of Education