

WESTERN DUBUQUE COUNTY COMMUNITY SCHOOL DISTRICT

Board of Education Minutes

Regular Meeting

July 9, 2013 – 6:00 p.m.

Call to Order:

Board President Bob McCabe called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. in the Board Room – District Administration Office, Farley, Iowa, with a moment of silence and the reading of the District Vision Statement and Goals.

Roll Call:

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

Approval of Agenda:

Motion by McAndrew, second by Vaske to approve the Agenda as published with the following change under Employment: Stephanie Rickels from \$34,128 to \$35,392. Motion passed 4-0.

Welcome to Visitors, Press, Staff, etc.:

Open Forum: No comments or communications were received.

Approval of Minutes and Bills:

- a. June 10, 2013 Regular Meeting. Motion by Coppola, second by McAndrew to approve the Minutes. Motion passed 4-0.
- b. Bills and Claims for the month of June: Motion by McAndrew, second by Vaske to approve the bills. Motion passed 4-0.

Reports:

Principal Reports:

None

Summer Project and Construction Update:

Bob Hingtgen reported the following:

- a. Cascade HS Gymnasium Project has started. Principal's office has been relocated, Asbestos Abatement is underway and completion of the new bus drop-off driveway is nearly complete. Relocation of underground utilities is progressing as expected.
- b. WDHS Auditorium pre-construction meeting has been set for July 18th.
- c. Renovation of the portable classroom at the old bus garage site for use by the alternative high school students is nearly complete.

Post-Secondary Report:

Information from Cascade HS and WDHS was presented on enrollment numbers, courses and trends of students taking post-secondary and con-current courses with Kirkwood and Northeast Iowa Comm. College. Students taking the courses obtain both college and high school academic credits. 979 students were enrolled in the programs in the 2012-13 school year compared to 759 in the previous year.

Superintendent Report:

Mr. Corkery provided a summary review of the major education reform issues that the District will need to undertake as a result of the bills passed by the 2013 Legislature.

School Board Elections: Mr. Corkery announced that Mark Knuth representing Director District #3 from Cascade will seek re-election to the School Board for the four-year term beginning in September of 2013. Board President Robert McCabe representing Director District #1 from New Vienna announced that he will not seek re-election when his term expires in September. Mr. McCabe was first elected to the School Board in September of 1997. Nomination papers for both four year positions must be filed with the School Board Secretary no later than 5:00 pm on Thursday, August 1, 2013. School Board elections state-wide are held on September 10, 2013.

Consent Agenda:

Motion by Vaske, second by McAndrew to approve the Consent Agenda items. Motion passed 4-0.

- a. Financial Reports of District
- b. Personnel

Resignations:

1. Troy Brown – Vocational Manufacturing – WDHS
2. Paul Cleary – Spring Weight Room Supervision – WDHS
3. Jennifer Galle – 8th Grade Volleyball Coach – DMIS
4. Adam Kedley – 7th Grade Football Coach – DMIS
5. Amy Ostwinkle – 7th Grade Volleyball Coach – DMIS
6. Lindsay Schlichtmann – Asst. Dram Director – DMIS

Employment:

1. Matt Breitbach – 9th Grade Baseball Coach (Summer 2013) – CHS \$2,218.40
 2. Cody McClain – 3rd Grade Behavior/Resource – DES \$32,864.00
 3. Michael Omarzu – Musical Director – WDHS \$2,397.00
 4. Stephanie C. Rickels – ESL Teacher – District Wide - \$35,392.00
 5. Monika Steffen – Behavior Strategist – DES \$41,080.00
- c. Out of State Travel: None
 - d. Policy Revisions 2nd Readings
 1. Second Reading 300 Series Board Policies
 2. Second Reading 404.R3 Employee Expectations and Employee Discipline
 3. Second Reading 404.R4 Employee Appearance Regulation
 4. Second Reading 404.R5 Required Notification of Arrest, Criminal Charges, or Child Abuse Complaints
 - e. Equipment/Fund Raising Project Requests:
Vendor: TURF CARE – Automatic Irrigation System for the three practice football fields at WDHS. Cost \$26,426. District to provide water to the locations at an estimated cost of \$5,000. District cost for the project to be \$5,000 and the balance to be donated by the Western Dubuque Booster Club.

Old Business: None

New Business:

1. Adjust 2013-14 Calendar: Motion by Coppola, second by McAndrew to change May 14th from a full day of school to a 3 hour early dismissal for professional development and to move the last day of Pre-School from May 21st to May 22nd. Motion passed 4-0.
2. Approve Bakery and Dairy Bids:
Motion by Coppola, second by McAndrew to award the 2013-14 bakery products to Bimbo Bakery (formerly Sara Lee). Motion passed 4-0.

Motion by Coppola, second by McAndrew to award the 2013-14 Dairy Products Bid to Prairie Farms. Motion passed 4-0.

3. School Bus Bids: Motion by Vaske, second by McAndrew to accept the low bid of \$326,312 from School Bus Sales for 4-65 passenger school buses. Motion passed 4-0.
Bid Recap: School Bus Sales (Bluebird) - \$326,312; Hogland Bus Company (International) - \$327,948 and Thomas Bus Sales (Thomas Brand) - \$341,472.

4. Boiler Project WDHS - Public Hearing and approval of the proposed plans, specifications, form of contract and estimated total cost of the Western Dubuque High School Boiler Replacement Project.
Three bids were received on the project: Scharnweber Water Conditioning, Inc. - \$148,375; Modern Piping - \$170,000 and Meyer Mechanical Contracting - \$170,000.

Motion by McAndrew to open the public hearing. Motion passed 4-0. No comments written or verbal were received for or against the proposed project. Motion by Coppola, second by McAndrew to close the public hearing. Motion passed 4-0.

Motion by Vaske, second by McAndrew to approve the proposed plans, specifications, form of contract, estimated total cost and to award the contract to Scharnweber Water Conditioning Inc. in the amount of \$148,375. Motion passed 4-0.

5. Appoint School Board Secretary and Assistant School Board Secretary: Motion by Coppola, second by Vaske to appoint David Wegmann as School Board Secretary for the 2013-14 fiscal year. Motion passed 4-0. Motion by McAndrew, second by Vaske to appoint Jeni Schindler as Assistant School Board Secretary for the 2013-14 fiscal year. Motion passed 4-0.

6. Appoint School Board Treasurer: Motion by Coppola, second by McAndrew to appoint Mark Frasher as School Board Treasurer for the 2013-14 fiscal year. Motion passed 4-0.

7. First Reading of Policies 503.2 – 503.2E4: Motion by McAndrew, second Vaske to approve the first reading of the following policies. Motion passed 4-0.
 - a. 503.2 Expulsion
 - b. 503.2R1 Expulsion Regulation
 - c. 503.2E1 Expulsion Form 1 Notice of Hearing
 - d. 503.2E2 Expulsion Form 2 Authorization to Review Records
 - e. 503.2E3 Expulsion Form 3 Waiver of Hearing Form
 - f. 503.2E4 Expulsion Form 4 Findings of Fact and Resultant Action

Adjournment: Motion by Coppola, second by McAndrew to adjourn. Motion passed 4-0. The meeting adjourned at 7:25 pm on July 8, 2013.

David A. Wegmann
Board Secretary

Robert McCabe
President, Board of Education