

School District of West Salem
Regular Board Meeting Minutes
August 8, 2022
Marie Heider Meeting Room – 7:00 p.m.

As noted on the Public Meeting Notice: Live streaming of this meeting was available on our District's YouTube page.

Convene

The meeting was called to order at 7:10 p.m. by Vice President Tom Grosskopf. The meeting was noticed to the Coulee Courier, La Crosse Tribune, WLSU Radio 89 FM, WXOW TV-19, WKBT-TV, WKTY, Union State Bank, First Community Credit Union, Village of West Salem, posted at each school, district website, and district office on August 4, 2022.

Pledge of Allegiance to the American Flag

Patrick Bahr led everyone in the recitation of the Pledge of Allegiance and Ben Wopat recited the District Mission Statement.

Roll Call

Present: Erik Peterson, Tom Grosskopf, Robin Fitzgerald, and Sean Gavaghan. Also in attendance – Administration: Ben Wopat, Heidi Horton, and Shawn Handland; Student representatives: Madison MacRogers and Brennan Kennedy. Recording secretary: Patrick Bahr. Excused: Ryan Rieber, Bob Minard, Chris Peterson, Catherine Griffin, Mike Malott, Deanna Wiatt and Brennan Kennedy.

Approval of Agenda

S. Gavaghan moved, E. Peterson seconded to approve the agenda as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

Written and Oral Reports

Business Operations Committee – T. Grosskopf reported on the agenda items: CLOCworks/Data Wrangler agreement and school bus camera update.

District Strategic Initiative updates from the Superintendent's Cabinet Team and the Superintendent were reviewed.

Heidi Horton, Director of Pupil Services, reported on Seclusion and Restraint data for the 2021-2022 school year.

Connection with the Community

Madison MacRogers, Student Representative, reported on:

1. The drama camp for The Little Mermaid has started for K-12 students and the shows will take place this week on August 11th and 12th at 7:00 p.m.
2. The National Honor Society is hosting a blood drive in the West Salem High School library from 11:00-4:00 on August 9.
3. High school in-person registration and pictures are tomorrow from 10:00-1:00 and 2:00-6:00. The start of school is falling near.

4. Many fall sports' practices have now begun and many of them have games, matches and meets already scheduled in the next few weeks, and including the first football game at Onalaska next Friday at 7:00.

Correspondence

A thank you note from Kelli Martin (Brauer family) was read.

Public Comments – None.

Citizen Participation at Board Meetings speaker was Jennifer Black.

Consent Agenda

E. Peterson moved, S. Gavaghan seconded to approve the following Consent Agenda items:

- a. the Regular Board Meeting Minutes of July 25, 2022;
- b. the invoices to be paid;
- c. to accept the resignation of high school math teacher Derrick Sands;
- d. to hire Tyler Shrake as a 1.0 FTE middle school teacher and Tara Whitacre as a 1.0 FTE high school special education teacher;
- e. to accept the administration's co-curricular recommendations for middle school cross country assistant coach-Laura Skemp-Deal, middle school 7th grade volleyball assistant coach-Addie Rojas, middle school football head coach-Talon McConnell, and assistant tennis coach-Brian Baker.

Motion carried unanimously.

Discussion/Action Items:

Request to increase ELL teaching position to 1.0 FT. No action taken.

E. Peterson moved, S. Gavaghan seconded to approve for a second reading of policies: 0100 – Definitions, 0142.1 – Electoral Process, 0142.5 – Vacancies, 0143 – Authority of Individual Board members, to delete 0144.2 - Board Member Ethics, 0144.3 – Conflict of Interest, 0144.5 – Board Member Behavior and Code of Conduct, 0145 – Board Member Anti-Harassment, 0152 – Officers, 01651 – Notice of Meetings, 0167.3 - Public Comment at Board Meetings, 1130 - Ethics and Conflict of Interest, 1210 – Board – Superintendent Relationship, 1421 – Criminal History Record Check and Employee Self-Reporting Requirement, 1422.02 – Nondiscrimination Based on Genetic Information of the Employee, 1460 – Physical Examination, 2210 – Curriculum Development, 2240 – Controversial Issues in the Classroom, 2260 – Nondiscrimination and Access to Equal Educational Opportunity, 2260.01 – Nondiscrimination and Anti-Harassment – Section 504/ADA Prohibition Against discrimination Based on Disability, 2266 – Nondiscrimination on the Basis of Sex in Education Programs or Activities, 2700.01 – School Performance and State Accountability Report Cards Reports, 5200 – Attendance, 5410 – Promotion, Placement, and Retention, 5461 – Children At-Risk of Not Graduating from High School, 5500.01 – Conduct in Virtual Classroom, 5517 – Nondiscrimination and Anti-Harassment – Student Anti-Harassment, 5520 – Disorderly Conduct, 5722 – School-Sponsored Publications and Productions, 6108 – Authorization to Make Electronic Fund Transfers, 6114 – Cost Principals – Spending Federal Funds, 6146 – Post Issuance Tax-Exempt Bond Compliance, 7440.01 – Video Surveillance and Electronic

Monitoring, 7450 – Property Inventory, 7455 – Accounting System for Capital Assets, 8500 – Food Services. Motion carried unanimously.

The list of to do items / information requests was reviewed. No action was taken.

Adjournment

S. Gavaghan moved, E. Peterson seconded to adjourn at 7:25 p.m. Motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Robin Fitzgerald, Clerk