

Regular Meeting Minutes

August 28, 2012

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The Wilson Creek School Board of Directors met on Tuesday, August 28, 2012, in regular session at 6:00 pm in the school library. Present were Board Chair Paul Friend, Board Vice Chair Ron Lesser, Board Members Daryl Kimble, Rita Kane and Susan James; Superintendent Brad Smedley, Principal Brenda Welch, and Business Manager Kellie Ribail. Guests in attendance were Jackie Floetke, Teresa Garay, Karie Hochstatter, Sylvia Lee, Kathy Thomas, Joey Johanson, and Nicholas Odorizzi.

CALL TO ORDER: Board Chair Paul Friend called the meeting to order at 6:00 pm, and led the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag of the United States of America.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA: An amended agenda was provided. Motion made by Susan James, seconded by Daryl Kimble, and carried to approve the amended agenda.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Motion made by Ron Lesser, seconded by Rita Kane, and carried to approve the official minutes for the regular board meeting of June 26, 2012.

PUBLIC COMMENT AND/OR CORRESPONDENCE FOR THE BOARD: None

CONSIDERATION OF ACTION/INFORMATION ITEMS (Written reports to the Board):

Jackie Floetke (Tech/Tech Prep/FBLA/CTE/ASB):

- **FBLA** – Grant County Fair Litter Patrol went smoothly and we received positive feedback from the fair.
- **CTE** – Program is up and running
- **ASB** – Jackie handed out the ASB Procedures document to all in the room. Jackie summarized the document.
 - After an activity has been completed – an activity summary must be completed.
 - All bills are to be approved at the ASB meeting, then will proceed to the school board.
 - Discussion of treasurer duties
 - Explanation of the person who writes receipts cannot do the deposit.
 - Discussion of the retention schedule
 - Discussion of the meeting schedule
 - This document was shared with staff yesterday and today.
 - There were no questions from the board.
 - One board member commented that the document “Looks good.”

Mike Ottis (Athletic Director): Written report included in board packet.

Shawn Herrera (Maintenance/Transportation): Written report included in board packet.

- There was discussion regarding why the front lawn was torn up. The septic system has been serviced. During this time, it was discovered that the tree roots had invaded the septic system. A sod cutter was used prior to the backhoe digging up the septic line. The sod was replaced, but needs more attention. A board member asked if a sprinkler system would be installed. Not at this time.
- A board member asked why the hall floor had not been carpeted. It was explained that the hallway was not included in the cost estimate for replacing the stairway areas and the damaged rooms due to the flood. Previous experience shows that the old tiles may or may not contain asbestos and that it may be more costly than anticipated. Take caution.
- A board member asked if the items on the list that was presented at the last board meeting have been completed. Mr. Smedley stated that he will bring the updated list to the September board meeting.

Brenda Welch (Principal's Report): Verbal report:

- Explanation of The National Kindergarten Conference held in Las Vegas and attended by Megan Walter, Jessica True, and Brenda Welch. The board asked that the three present to the board at the September meeting.
- Experience shared regarding Grant County Fair -- observation of students showing animals, litter patrol, took turns manning Gold Gate. Meeting new students, introducing them to current students, spending time with students, parents and grandparents.

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MONTHLY FISCAL REPORTS: Kellie Ribail supplies the following numbers on the district's current budget status:

Budget Status		Bills to be Approved: July		August
General Fund	\$ 649,211.76	General Fund	\$ 27,130.66	\$ 28,777.05
ASB	\$ 61,442.81	ASB	\$ 152.83	\$ 616.32
Capital Projects	\$ 48,064.75	Payroll	\$ 162,692.67	\$ 157,556.86
Transportation	\$ 102,084.12	Capital	\$ none	none
Debt Service	\$ 81,429.49			

Motion made by Susan James, seconded by Ron Lesser, and carried to approve the district's bills and fiscal status.

CONTRACTS: Motion made by Daryl Kimble, seconded by Rita Kane, and carried to approve the following supplemental contracts for the 2012-2013 school year:

1. Brenda Welch and Megan Walters – Freshman Class (Class of 2016) Co-Advisors
2. Sylvia Lee – Spanish Interpreter
3. Mike Ottis – Volleyball Coach

NEW HIRE: Motion made by Rita Kane, seconded by Daryl Kimble, and carried to approve the hire of:

- Jodee Garrett – Nurse
- Christian Byers – Custodian

SURPLUS LOCKERS: Discussion regarding surplus of old lockers. Board agreed to open to a sealed bid with a minimum set price as per board policy. Agreed to follow Superintendent Smedley's suggested starting price bids included in his report. Bids will be open until October 20, 2012 inasmuch when the sealed bids will be brought to the following board meeting. Motion made by Rita Kane, seconded by Ron Lesser, and carried to approve the surplus of the old lockers via sealed bid.

WORLD LANGUAGES: Discussion regarding the two possibilities for teaching Spanish: PowerSpeak and Rosetta Stone as per the information included in the board packet.

PowerSpeak:

- Multiple languages offered
- On-line, available at school and home login
- \$379 per student per semester (student pays fee)
- "C" grade or better, District reimburses fees back to student
- Scholarships for students who are free and reduced lunch, and have 3.0 GPA or higher
- Includes help desk and Kmail
- Very interactive
- Includes grammar, culture and written components; daily lesson plans, weekly plan (Scope and Sequence)
- Graded class, A, B, C, D, F
- Fits into Wilson Creek school calendar

Rosetta Stone:

- Multiple languages offered
- On-line, available at school and home login
- Exploratory class, no written, grammar or culture components
- Mr. Ottis is a Highly Qualified teacher – accredited class
- Colleges will accept the Pass/Fail grading
- 5 units – unit 1 and unit 2 each require 50 hours to complete, units 3-5 each require 60 hours to complete
- Needs scope and sequence
- Need to work out grading rubrics
- Earliest start date is September 20

Motion made by Rita Kane, seconded by Ron Lesser, and carried to approve the adoption of PowerSpeak High School level as the World Language offering in addition to offering American Sign Language.

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KINDERGARTEN PARA-PRO: Kindergarten now has 19 students. Only class without a half-time paraprofessional. Discussion surrounding the question: "What is our capacity?" Suggested possibility of adding a classroom on the mezzanine for Dorris. Long-term – what are the goals for enrollment? One board member shared that, "We (Wilson Creek) have the identity of a small private school in a public school setting. Do we want to continue to grow?" Siblings and in-district students have priority enrollment. Motion made by Rita Kane, seconded by Daryl Kimble, and carried to approve the hire of a half-time (4-hour) paraprofessional for kindergarten.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT: The written report included: Facility report, enrollment projection, Flag salute, Focused collaboration with WSU, Surplus Lockers and World Language. In addition:

- Discussion took place regarding students saying The Pledge of Allegiance each morning. The board agreed it is an expectation of the board that all classes begin the morning with The Pledge of Allegiance.
- The 54 year old big mixer in the kitchen has stopped working (gears are locked up) and needs to be replaced. New mixer cost estimate is \$4,700. Board instructed to proceed to investigate best option to replace the mixer – check to see if there is any trade-in value for old mixer – Replace old mixer.
- Study Hall discussion: Board members shared they are concerned with how students are using their time and what they are doing in study hall. Board members inquired as to how many students are in each class? Board member shared that if students are not using study hall well, then they should not be in there. Need other options for students.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: The board went into executive session at 7:40 pm, returning to regular session at 9:00 pm.

ADJOURNMENT: The meeting was adjourned at 9:00 pm. The board next meets on Tuesday, September 25, 2012, at 6:00 pm in the district library.