

The Wilson Creek School Board of Directors met on Tuesday, January 26, 2015, in a regular meeting at 5:00 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 Gene Nelson, Business Manager Kellie Ribail, and Secretary Jessica Herron. Guests present were Nicholas Odorizzi (IT), Holly Finkbeiner (1<sup>st</sup>/2<sup>nd</sup> Grade Teacher), Sally Nelson (Principal), Jackie Floetke (Tech Prep/CTE/ASB/CTSO Director), and Sylvia Lee (Lead Custodian).

**CALL TO ORDER:**

Board Chair Paul Friend called the meeting to order at 5:00 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 Daryl Kimble, seconded by Susan James, and carried to approve the amended agenda.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

Motion made by Ron Lesser, seconded by Daryl Kimble, and carried to approve the official board minutes for the December 15, 2015 regular meeting.

Motion made by Ron Lesser, seconded by Daryl Kimble, and carried to approve the official board minutes for the January 12, 2016 special session.

**PUBLIC COMMENT AND/OR CORRESPONDENCE FOR THE BOARD:**

none.

**PRESENTATION BY HOLLY FINKBEINER, 1<sup>ST</sup>/2<sup>ND</sup> GRADE:**

Holly gave an overview of her class and the areas they are learning now. She explained that though she meshes the first and second grades together, she teaches each grade separately. In reading, they are using informational texts and non-fiction books, and learning Main Ideas vs Interesting Facts. In writing, they are using information texts and building their writing skills. In social studies, they are learning and writing about important Americans, and reading biographies. They are learning about the weather in science. In math, she is teaching about place value, and using that to develop mental math strategies for 3-digit math. They are currently testing for NWEA and Dibels.

**PRESENTATION BY NICHOLAS ODORIZZI, INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY:**

Nicholas explained that we received 25 laptops and 7 or 8 desktops over the summer from Computers for Kids (C4K), a state program. We were switched from 100 mb to 1 gig on fiber in November. We are using a new version of the NWEA system, which is work-saving and is going very well. The teachers can create their own sessions, and there is no more daily uploads. He switched our protector from Symantic to AVG and saved \$1000 for the year. He recently found out about Avast, which would be free, and is looking into switching for next year. He took a tour of the Microsoft Data Center. He has lots of new tech ideas! He would also like to start an after school program to teach students who are interested in technology.

**CONSIDERATION OF ACTION/INFORMATION ITEMS - WRITTEN REPORTS TO THE BOARD:**

**Principal's Report – Sally Nelson:**

In addition to her written report, Sally mentioned that she spoke with Rita, and has some ideas about adding a Spanish class next, plus other elective classes.

She explained how well the observations are going, along with the success of the lunch detention for the students who are on the weekly ineligibility list.

**Superintendent’s Report – Gene Nelson:**

In addition to his written report, Gene advised the board of the following:

- The levy ballots are out, due February 9<sup>th</sup>
- iFiberTV will be out next Tuesday to do a video interview about the levy
- Shawn & Kathy will do presentations next month
- The sewer is working again
- Kittitas & Whitman County have asked Mr. Mortimer to help judge at their upcoming Fair September 7<sup>th</sup>-9<sup>th</sup>
- The Superintendent Search is continuing, he spoke to a few possible candidates

**Maintenance/Transportation Director’s Report – Shawn Herrera:**

No report.

**Tech Prep/CTE/ASB/CTSO Director’s Report – Jackie Floetke:**

Jackie only added that the Perkin’s Grant needed to be updated in English & Language Arts/Reading.

**Athletic Director’s Report – Mike Ottis:**

No report.

**MONTHLY FISCAL REPORTS:**

Kellie supplied the following numbers on the district’s current budget status:

<b>Budget Status</b>	General Fund	\$ 743,640.65	<b>Bills To Approve</b>	Payroll	\$ 181,164.76
	ASB	\$ 70,172.39		General Fund AP	\$ 58,287.54
	Capital Projects	\$ 7,045.78		ASB AP	\$ 2,987.01
	Debt Service	\$ 20,906.09		Total	\$ 242,439.31
	Transportation	\$ 83,335.77			

Motion made by Daryl Kimble, seconded by Rita Kane, and carried to approve the district’s bills and fiscal status.

**ADJOURNMENT:**

The meeting was adjourned at 5:48 pm. The next regular board meeting is on February 23, 2016, at 6:00 pm in the district library.