

Regular Board Meeting Minutes

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The Wilson Creek School Board of Directors met on Tuesday, February 21, 2012, in regular session at 6:00 p.m. in the school library. Present were Board Chair Paul Friend, Board Vice Chair Ron Lesser, Board Members Daryl Kimble, Susan James, and Rita Kane; Superintendent Brad Smedley, Business Manager Kellie Ribail, and District Secretary Kaci Anderson.

CALL TO ORDER: Board Chair Paul Friend called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m., 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 as provided with the additional change of moving Item #13 – Superintendent Contract to after Item #16 – Executive Session, just prior to adjournment.

MINUTES FOR APPROVAL: Motion made by Daryl Kimble, seconded by Rita Kane, and carried to approve the official minutes, with the following corrections, for the regular board meeting of January 24, 2012:

- Page 1 – Minutes for Approval: Change “highlighted” to “suggested”
- Page 1 – Mike Ottis (Athletic Director): Change “state” to “regionals”
- Page 2 – Superintendent’s Report: Strike “Rita Kane has no objections.” And “... for input from Ron Lesser.”

PUBLIC COMMENT AND/OR CORRESPONDENCE FOR THE BOARD: Brad Smedley read a “thank you” letter to the Wilson Creek volleyball and basketball teams from community members Helen Carroll and Margaret Ribail. Paul Friend noted he received a letter from WSSDA stating dues will remain the same as previous year. He added there is a WSSDA Regional Meeting in Moses Lake on Wednesday, March 21.

CONSIDERATION OF ACTION/INFORMATION ITEMS (WRITTEN REPORTS TO THE BOARD):

Jackie Floetke (Tech/Tech Prep/FBLA/CTE/ASB): Jordan James placed 2nd in FBLA Principles and Procedures. Wade Kane placed in the top 10 with the written portion in Job Interview. Jackie clarified that there is a possibility that new classes would be added to WCHS FBLA/business curriculum, as well as an animal science class under Mr. Mortimer. As far as feeds under the ASB go at athletic games, she clarified that groups need to get better at logistics and planning, getting value for meal (making sure meals are worth the price).

Mike Ottis (Athletic Director): Girls play Columbia (Hunters) this Saturday, February 25 at the regional basketball tournament at Shadle Park High School in Spokane.

Shawn Herrera (Maintenance/Transportation): Brad Smedley added that he received a flyer regarding water fountains. Because more students are coming to school with water bottles, there are now water bottle filling stations available, with chilled water. Each unit is approximately \$1,100. Members suggested purchasing one a year until three (one on each floor in the old building, and one in the new building) were purchased. Brad noted the first one purchased would most likely go in the old building on the top floor.

MONTHLY FISCAL REPORTS: Kellie Ribail supplied the following numbers on the district’s budget status for the current month.

Budget Status		Bills to be Approved	
General fund	\$ 552,772.53	General Fund	\$ 29,456.80
ASB	\$ 64,277.27	ASB	\$ 3,671.51
Capital projects	\$ 40,423.44	Payroll	\$ 156,851.36
Transportation	\$ 100,879.44	Capital	none
Debt service	\$ 31,876.06		

Motion made by Daryl Kimble, seconded by Susan James, and carried to approve the bills and fiscal status of the district.

CONTRACTS: Motion made by Rita Kane, seconded by Susan James, and carried to approve the following contracts:

- High School Tennis (Mike Ottis)
- High School Track (Dorris Cronrath)
- Junior High Volleyball (Joey Johanson)

Brad Smedley added there is a possibility of adding a junior high track team.

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FIRST READING OF BOARD POLICIES: Motion made by Rita Kane, seconded by Daryl Kimble, and carried to approve the first reading of the following policies and procedures:

- 1114: Board Member Resignation and Vacancy
- 1310: Policy Adoption, Manuals and Administrative Procedures
- 1610: Conflicts of Interest
- 2411: Certificate of Educational Competency
- 5201: Drug-Free Schools, Community and Workplace
 - EXCEPTION: Strike the addition of "... or when involved in a school district activity on or off school district property" in Item B on page 1 of the policy.
- 6920: Construction Design
- 6950: Contractor Assurances, Surety Bonds and Insurance

FOOTBALL FIELD STATUS UPDATE: Susan James noted the Port District authorized \$5,000 toward the purchase of sprinkler parts for the field. The Town of Wilson Creek is paying for the installation of a meter to hook up to the sprinkler system, which is estimated at \$3,000. Work is tentatively scheduled for March 17, 2012, to install the sprinkler system. Donna Thrall and Susan James will be applying for a Lauzier grant, to get funds for a bathroom and septic system, football helmets and uniforms. The way the field would be set up would allow there to be two soccer fields in the off season as well as a softball/baseball field. Other items and work also being looked at include:

- Bases and catchers' gear for softball
- Sprinkler heads that won't water the baselines on the softball/baseball field
- Burning or tilling the weeds so grass will grow
 - Grass seed was priced at just more than \$1,000
- The town is trying to obtain the field (Schroeder field) to the west of the existing football field, either via purchase or donation. This parcel is where the bathroom and septic system would be located, as well as areas for the long jump, triple jump, shot put, and discus.
- Fencing keep vehicles, etc., off the fields

Input is coming in from Joey Johanson and Mike Ottis on the overall design of the field. Much of the design is contingent on getting the Schroeder field.

BOARD CALENDAR: An updated copy of the yearly board calendar was supplied to members.

PRINCIPAL HIRE: Brad Smedley supplied a job description for a P-12 principal. This person would work in classrooms, helping teach students in the morning. The afternoons would be for principal and administrative duties. As an administrator, in the mornings they would be coaching/teaching teachers/para-professionals, and doing evaluations. The addition of this person would benefit the elementary teachers, as well as help the superintendent with evaluations. If approved, the job would open February 22, 2012, and remain open 2-3 weeks. Brad said he hoped to hire and have the person start the fourth quarter, which begins April 9, 2012, of the 2011-2012 school year.

Motion made by Rita Kane, seconded by Susan James, and carried to approve the hire of a P-12 principal

LEVY RESULTS: Brad Smedley reported we were the highest passing in Grant County and third in the region, at nearly 75%. He said he viewed this as "a real strong vote of confidence" from the community.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT: Brad Smedley discussed scheduling of HSPE and MSP testing. Elementary teachers will work together to create a schedule, which is important because there are private/home-schooled students who test here.

End of Course math tests can be retaken three times a year until it is passed – students must pass in order to graduate. Mike Ottis will teach a class that will allow him to target students individually on their areas of struggle to help them pass so they can graduate. This class would most likely be offered 7th period, moving Mike's Athletic Director planning period to 6th period from 7th, so it wouldn't interfere with ASL.

The subject of next month's Town Hall Meeting on Tuesday, March 20 is unclear.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: The board went into executive session at 7:07 pm and returned to regular session at 8:10 pm.

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SUPERINTENDENT CONTRACT: A roll call vote was held, and the superintendent's contract was unanimously approved.

ADJOURNMENT: The meeting was adjourned at 8:30 pm. The board next meets on Tuesday, March 27, 2012, at 6:00 pm in the district library.