

WINTERSSET COMMUNITY SCHOOL DISTRICT

BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING

May 12, 2014

The Winterset Community School District Board of Education met in regular session, Monday, May 12, 2014, in the Boardroom at 7:00 p.m. The following members were present: Brenda Clifton, Michael Motsinger, Jeff Nicholl, Kelly Cain and Karen Brookhart. Also present were Superintendent Meade, Board Secretary Leners, 16 staff, 4 students and a member of the press.

President Nicholl called the meeting to order. All in attendance recited the pledge of allegiance. Nicholl read the mission statement and belief statement #8.

Agenda was amended as follows: Consent Agenda added minutes of 4/30/14 special session, sharing agreement w/ Earlham CSD for soccer and DMAAC Strive contract. New Business added an out-of-state travel request by the Art Club. An exempt negotiations session will be held at the conclusion of tonight's meeting. Motion by Brookhart, second by Clifton to approve the amended agenda. Motion carried with all Directors voting in favor.

Visitor Comments: none

President Nicholl called for discussion and approval of the following consent agenda items:

1. Minutes of 4/14/14 regular session and 4/30/14 special session.
2. Approval of bills totaling \$290,228.58
3. Personnel Items -
 - a. approve contract Pamela Schroeder HS Instrumental Music teacher
 - b. approve contract Tiffany Hillyer Elementary Science teacher
 - c. approve contract Jill McDonald 8th grade Reading/Language Arts teacher
 - d. approve contract Brian West 5th grade teacher
 - e. approve contract Melody Murphy 50% Prom sponsor
 - f. approve contract Josh Henry Head Varsity Boys Basketball coach
 - g. approve contract Jessica Gibbons Homecoming & Student Council sponsor
 - h. approve contract Riley Vaughn JH Asst Baseball coach (due to numbers)
 - i. approve contracts for Model Mentor positions (listing provided)
 - j. accept resignation Natalie Kaster 4th grade teacher
 - k. accept resignation Jim Heithoff HS Asst Baseball Coach (summer of 2015)
4. Open Enrollment Update
5. Contracts and Agreements
 - a. Teen Driver contract thru 2017
 - b. Confidential Employees 2014-2015
 - c. Administrators 2014-2015
 - d. Orchard Place - continue contract for 2014-2015
 - e. Cooperative Sharing Agreements:
 - Indianola CSD - Swimming and Diving
 - Earlham CSD - Soccer
 - f. DMAAC Strive
6. Financials - April 2014

Motion by Brookhart, second by Clifton, to approve the consent agenda items. Motion carried with all Directors voting in favor.

Superintendent Meade shared that May is National School Board Appreciation month and thanked the Board for their service. The Elementary staff provided a candy bouquet and IASB provided certificates of appreciation.

Gina Robinson and the 3rd grade teachers shared great elementary assessment data. When asked by the Board, "What changed?" and "Why do you think these scores showed so much growth?" the following reasons were given: WIN (What I

Need) groups, PLC's (Professional Learning Communities), collaboration time, availability of an Instructional Coach, different involvement of Title I teachers and tutors and sharing goals with students.

Building Principal Summaries:

Gary Anker, Elementary - lots of interviews, conferences, Aesop's Fables assembly, bike safety assembly, Book-It party, visit to Ankeny elementary school to see their special ed/general ed collaboration, Living History Farms trip, Hot Dog Day and Fun Day.

Wendy Sawyer, Middle School - Re-group WIN groups based on latest assessment data, tutor team meeting to review student progress, also visited the Ankeny elementary, Author Delia Ray visited on May 2nd, Battle of the Books.

Kate Wharton, Junior High - worked with building leadership teams, analyzed assessment data, celebrations planned for year end.

Lee Schipull, High School - graduation May 18th, update on sports and activities, spring play "Captain Fantastic", band and science interviews, Husky Help Day, beginning to look at assessment data.

Cheryl Fletcher and Stacy Hilsabeck demonstrated the new Infinite Campus on-line registration program.

Motion by Clifton, second by Brookhart to approve the first reading of policy 502.12 - Use and/or Possession of Electronic Communication Devices. Motion carried with all Directors voting in favor.

Motion by Brookhart, second by Cain to approve the second and final reading of policy 504.8 - Emergency School Cancellations, Closings, Early and/or Late Dismissals (revised 4-15-14). Motion carried with all Directors voting in favor.

Motion by Clifton, second by Cain to approve the English Language Arts curriculum summary presented by Ann Bartelt. Motion carried with all Directors voting in favor.

Motion by Brookhart, second by Clifton to approve the Spanish curriculum summary presented by Ann Bartelt. Motion carried with all Directors voting in favor.

Motion by Clifton, second by Brookhart to approve the first reading of revised policy 400 - Role of and Guiding Principles for Employees (Table of Organization). Motion carried with all Directors voting in favor.

Motion by Brookhart, second by Clifton to approve the 2014-15 Handbooks (Parent/Student, Staff, Volunteer, Hiring, Support Employee Evaluation Plan, Bridges). Motion carried with all Directors voting in favor.

Motion by Clifton, second by Cain to hold a public hearing to amend the 2013/14 certified budget - specifically the "non-instruction" expenditures due to the summer lunch program. The hearing will be held Tuesday, May 27th at 10:00 am in the Administration Boardroom, 110 W Washington. Motion carried with all Directors voting in favor.

Motion by Clifton, second by Motsinger to approve the list of seniors for graduation pending the successful completion of all requirements. Motion carried with all Directors voting in favor.

There is no tentative agreement at this time with the WESEA (Winterset Educational Support Employees Association). Negotiations will continue.

Motion by Brookhart, second by Clifton to approve the Art Club travel request to Chicago May 24th-25th. Motion carried with all Directors voting in favor.

Board Member Reports - none

Dr. Meade encouraged everyone to attend the IBMA performance of the HS Jazz band, Thursday evening at the Des Moines Downtown Marriott Hotel at 7:00 pm.

Next meeting will be held Monday, June 16, 2014 at 7:00 p.m.

President Nicholl adjourned the meeting at 8:50

An exempt strategy session on union contract negotiations pursuant to Iowa Code 20.17(3) immediately followed.

Jeff Nicholl, President

Cammy Leners, Secretary