

Minutes 1-21-19

Minutes for the Regular Board Meeting of the West Liberty Community School District Board of Education in the Boardroom - 1103 N Elm Street, January 21, 2019.

President Geertz called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. Members present were Stephanie Dengler, David Millage and Lynne Sasmazer. Others present were Superintendent Joe Potts, Secretary Brietta Collier, Vicki Vernon, Jeni Laughlin, Missy Johnson, Brenda Arthur-Miller, Ralph Hughes, Tonya Gingerich, Brian Rance, Melody Russell, Ned Kelly, Christine Guerra, Dan Stevenson, Sarah Wagamon and Stephanie Vallez from the West Liberty Index.

Motioned by Millage, seconded by Sasmazer to approve the agenda. Motion carried 4-0.

No one approached during Communications and Visitors (Open Forum).

Three Fundraising Requests one overnight trip were presented.

Instructional Coaches presented the TLC Update. Melody Russell reviewed the state mandated goals of the TLC program, TLC team members and mentoring in the district. Tonya Gingerich presented ELC initiatives. Ms. Gingerich reviewed PBIS and Writing In The Curriculum strategies. Christine Guerra and Sarah Wagamon presented Elementary initiatives. They reviewed math strategies and how Instructional Coaches assist teachers with data analysis, resource acquisition and focusing on creating a positive, encouraging classroom culture. Melody Russell presented Middle School initiatives. Ms. Russell discussed the writing focus and use of the Write to Learn program. Ned Kelly presented High School initiatives. Mr. Kelly shared how he collaborated with Band and ESL students for creative content-specific lessons.

Technology Director, Brian Rance, presented the Technology Report. Mr. Rance reviewed security upgrades, High School auditorium upgrades, technology among all buildings, district 1:1 progress and a review of the recent Student Information System project.

Motioned by Sasmazer, seconded by Dengler, to approve Infinite Campus as the district Student Information System (SIS). Business Manager, Brietta Collier, reviewed SIS Proposals. Although Infinite Campus is the most expensive, the abilities of the system will save time for staff compiling data, streamline student registration and parent access and were well received by teachers who viewed the product demonstration. Motion carried 4-0

Motioned by Millage, seconded by Sasmazer to appoint ISEBA as Insurance Broker for the district. Business Manager, Brietta Collier, reviewed the broker responses. ISEBA was the lowest bid. The initial step is to go to market to see if the district will receive favorable insurance rates. If we do not, we can stay with Mercer as our broker. If rates are favorable, the district will move forward with ISEBA as its broker. Motion carried 4-0.

Motioned by Millage, seconded by Dengler to approve the changes to Board Policies 503.1 - 504.31R. No changes from the first reading. Motion carried 4-0.

Dr. Potts presented the ESSA Update. We have two Targeted sub categories, one in Middle and one in Elementary. Dr. Potts reviewed how ESSA evaluations differ from NCLB and what it means to have Targeted populations.

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Dr. Potts presented the Superintendent Report.

Motioned by Sasmazer, seconded by Millage to approve the Consent Agenda. Motion carried 4-0.

Next Regular Board Meeting, Monday, February 4, 6:00 p.m. Items include: Public Hearing and Approval of the 2019-20 School Calendar; FY18 Audit Review; Superintendent report; Wellness Committee Update; Family Engagement Plan Report; Review policies 504.4 - 507.9 (1st Reading); Superintendent eval, Part 1.

Motioned by Sasmazer, seconded by Dengler to adjourn at 7:10 p.m. Motion carried 4-0.

Approved – February 18, 2019

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Emily Geertz, Board President

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Brietta I. Collier, Board Secretary