

Minutes 7-18-2016 - Amended

Minutes for the Regular Board Meeting of the West Liberty Community School District Board of Education in the Board Room –111 W 7th Street, July 18, 2016, 6:00 pm.

President Lynne Sasmazer called the meeting to order. Members present were Emily Geertz, David Millage, Chris Martin and Jose Zacarias, and Superintendent Steve Hanson. Secretary Brietta Collier was excused. Others present were Assistant Principal Brenda Arthur-Miller, Patty Laughlin and Megan Zalzala.

Motion by Geertz and second by Martin to approve the agenda. Ayes: all.

No one addressed the board during Communications and Visitors.

Consent Agenda: Minutes from prior meeting, warrants, Treasurer's report, personnel.

Motion by Millage and second by Zacarias to approve the consent agenda. Ayes: all.
Resignations: Terra VanDusen, paraprofessional; Blanca Sanchez, paraprofessional; Todd Chown, assistant baseball coach; Dakota Fix, eighth grade football coach. New hires: Alfredo Esquivel, custodian (260 day letter of assignment, 8hr/day, \$11.86/hr); Amanda Samuelson, HS Spanish (MA/4, \$40,699); Katie Duran, 1st Grade DL-Spanish (BA12/3, \$37,033); Jeff Morris, Head Girls Basketball (Step 6); Barb Jackson, paraprofessional (H/P \$11.08/hr); Nicole Bradley, HS SPED (MA30/3, \$41,922).

Fundraising requests were presented for cross country and volleyball teams. Overnight trips for high school football and volleyball were presented. Motion by Millage and second by Zacaria to approve the requests. Ayes: all.

Assessment for Dual Language Program. Brenda Arthur-Miller presented information on possible instruments that could be utilized to assess proficiency of dual language students in Spanish reading, comprehension and other areas. More discussion of the tools, grade levels of focus, timing of assessments and costs will take place, with the aim of making a selection for the 2016-17 academic year.

Selection of Vendor for Facilities Vision. Director Geertz described the RFP and selection processes used to review seven proposals received to develop a long-term facilities vision and plan. Consensus recommendation of the committee is to select BLDD for this task. A motion to accept the BLDD proposal by Millage, second by Martin. Ayes: all.

Analysis of Reading Assessment Scores. Superintendent Hanson presented data on the identified anomaly in 4th grade reading scores. WLCSD scores were compared with those of MBAEA and state averages. Discussion ensued regarding the need to collect direct information from WLCSD classrooms and teachers, in addition to aggregated test scores.

The Board undertook a Second Reading of Revisions to Board Policy 701.5 (Hot Lunch Charges). Motion to approve the changes as presented by Geertz, second by Zacarias. Ayes: all.

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First Reading of Proposed Revisions to Board Policy 606.1 (Diversity Plan). Board requested additional information regarding attached comments by Attorney Gruhn before conducting a first reading. This item will be rescheduled once clarifying information is received.

Review Policies 102, 102.1, 102.E4, 401.12, 405.8, 405.8E3 (Nondiscrimination Notifications, Civil Rights Grievance Procedures, Anti-Bullying/Anti-Harassment). Guidance from the Iowa Office of Civil Rights indicates that updates are necessary to reflect current state policy. IASB model policies in this areas were reviewed; modifications in identified sections of WLCSD policies will be incorporated for a future reading.

Legislative Priorities. Board members reviewed and selected legislative priorities to be shared with IASB. Motion to approve the slate of priorities by Martin, second by Geertz. Ayes: all.

Next regular board meeting is Monday, August 1, 2016, 6:00pm. Superintendent Report. Review of Board Policy 606.1 (Diversity Plan). First Reading of Board Policies 102, 102.1, 102.E4, 401.12, 405.8, 405.8E3. Review of School Climate Survey. Board and Superintendent Goals for 2016-17. Board calendar planning for 2016-17.

Motion by Martin and second by Zacarias to adjourn the meeting at 7:35 pm. Ayes: all.

Approved - August 1, 2016

Lynne Sasmazer, Board President

Brietta Collier, Board Secretary