

WHITE PINE COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT
BOARD OF SCHOOL TRUSTEES REGULAR MEETING
MINUTES
12/16/2014

1. CALL TO ORDER

A regular meeting of the Board of Trustees was held on 12/16/2014. Chair Lori Hunt called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. in the Board Room at White Pine County School District, Ely, Nevada.

2. FLAG SALUTE

3. ROLL CALL

BOARD MEMBERS

Lori Hunt, Chair	Denys Koyle, Vice Chair	Shellie Watts, Clerk
Matt Hibbs-absent	Mary Kerner	Pete Mangum

ADMINISTRATORS

Bob Dolezal	Mark Bechtel	Paul Johnson
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STUDENT ADVISORY MEMBERS

Sarah Bennett

LEGAL COUNSEL

Kevin Briggs

4. PUBLIC COMMENT

Patrick Peper-Nielson, student at Ely Learning Bridge Charter School, noted he is attending to learn about things that happen at a school board meeting.

Alena Baker, parent of two D.E. Norman students, is attending regarding the grading system and policy. She is concerned over the consistency of grading.

Ray Baker, parent of D.E. Norman students, does not like the grading system for the high school.

5. STAFF COMMENTS

Principal Adam Young voiced support of the DMV Policy on the agenda.

6. CORRESPONDENCE

Correspondence was presented on Pages 6-7 of the Expanded Agenda. Lori received an email regarding the State Board of Education meeting schedule for 2015.

7. STUDENT REPRESENTATIVE REPORTS

Sarah Bennett reviewed upcoming events which includes Snowfest the week of January 19th. All home basketball games will have a theme to try to boost school spirit. WPHS Drama is working on Hamlet. Set to open in March.

Kaden Valdez, Lund StuCo representative submitted a letter regarding happens for various grade levels and groups at Lund school. That email is attached to the minutes.

8. PRESENTATIONS

Lions Club - Teacher Appreciation – Ms. Megan Wright is the Teacher of the Month. Her letter of nomination is attached to the minutes.

Denys moved to move to 9C-9. Mary seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

9C-9 DISCUSSION/FOR POSSIBLE ACTION TO APPROVE WPHS BAND TRAVEL TO SAN FRANCISCO, CA DURING SPRING BREAK.

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Mary moved to approve WPHS Band travel to San Francisco, CA during spring break. Denys seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

6:15 pm – Public Hearing – regarding:

A resolution to augment and/or amend the 2014/2015 budget. – Paul discussed the reason and need for this public hearing.

No public comment.

POOL/PACT Symposium Presentaiton – Paul Johnson showed videos regarding bullying and school shootings to bring awareness to the board of the importance of our district's preparation.

9. ACTION ITEMS

9-A DISCUSSION/FOR POSSIBLE ACTION TO APPROVE MINUTES 12/2/2014.

Shellie moved to approve the minutes of the 12/2/2014 meeting. Mary seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously with Denys abstaining as she was not in attendance at the 12/2/2014 meeting.

9-B DISCUSSION/FOR POSSIBLE ACTION TO APPROVE CONSENT AGENDA

Pete moved to approve the following consent agenda item: 9C-1 Payment of Bills and 9C-2 Petty Cash Report, budget transfers. Denys seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

9C-3 DISCUSSION/FOR POSSIBLE ACTION TO APPROVE A RESOLUTION TO AUGMENT AND/OR AMEND THE 2014/2015 BUDGET.

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Pete moved to approve a resolution to augment and/or amend the 2014/2015 Budget. Mary seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

9C-4 DISCUSSION/FOR POSSIBLE ACTION TO APPROVE A RESOLUTION TO ESTABLISH AND CARRY OUT A SAFETY PROGRAM FOR WHITE PINE COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT .

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Pete moved to approve a resolution to establish and carry out a safety program for White Pine County School District. Denys seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

9C-5 DISCUSSION/FOR POSSIBLE ACTION TO ACCEPT THE RESIGNATION OF JUDITH NELSON, HOT LUNCH SERVER AND APPROVE TO FILL THE POSITION .

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Pete moved to accept the resignation of Judith Nelson, Hot Lunch Server and approve to fill the position. Mary seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

9C-6 DISCUSSION/FOR POSSIBLE ACTION TO ACCEPT THE RESIGNATION OF RAKIRA HUTCHINSON, SPED SECRETARY AND APPROVE TO FILL THE POSITION .

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Denys moved to accept the resignation of Rakira Hutchinson, SPED Secretary and approve to fill the position. Shellie seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

9C-7 DISCUSSION/FOR POSSIBLE ACTION TO APPROVE SECOND READING OF POLICY 3136 PERFORMANCE PAY FOR TEACHERS.

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Denys moved to approve second reading of Policy 3136 Performance Pay for Teachers. Mary seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

Pete motioned to review item 9C-3 seconded by Denys and passed unanimously.

9C-3 DISCUSSION/FOR POSSIBLE ACTION TO APPROVE A RESOLUTION TO AUGMENT AND/OR AMEND THE 2014/2015 BUDGET.

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Pete moved to approve a resolution to augment and/or amend the 2014/2015 Budget with a changes as follows increase transfers out in extrodinary repair and improvement fund by \$100,000 and reduce operations and maintenance repairs by the same amount and to approve a resolution to augment and/or amend the 2014/2015 Budget. Denys seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

9C-8 DISCUSSION/FOR POSSIBLE ACTION TO APPROVE SECOND READING POLICY 6032 STANDARD'S BASED GRADING.

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Superintendent Dolezal noted there needs to be consistency and and standardization of the grading sytem. If the board approves, the administrative team will be meeting Friday at 12:30 to establish a plan to develop grade specific standards based grading. Four committees will be established: K-2; 3-5; 6-8; 9-12 and issues/concerns will be addressed within those committees. We also have the task of providing and building shared knowledge of the standard's based grading system. Students and parents will be invited to participate on the committees. A product may be available at one of the March meetings. Pete requested those with concerns be invited to participate in the committees. Rubric and standards needs to be set. Bob is hoping recent alumni will sit on these panels.

Denys moved to approve second reading Policy 6032 Standard's Based Grading. Pete seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

9C-10 DISCUSSION/FOR POSSIBLE ACTION TO ACCEPT \$25,000 FROM E.L. CORD FOUNDATION FOR WPMS FOR MUSICAL INSTRUMENTS.

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Pete moved to accept \$25,000 from E.L. Cord Foundation for WPMS for musical instruments. Mary seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

9C-11 DISCUSSION/FOR POSSIBLE ACTION TO APPROVE THE SCHOOL PERFORMANCE PLANS FOR BAKER ELEMENTARY, D.E. NORMAN ELEMENTARY, MCGILL ELEMENTARY, AND WHITE PINE HIGH SCHOOL.

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Denys moved to table until next meeting the School Performance Plans for Baker Elementary, D.E. Norman Elementary, McGill Elementary, and White Pine High School. Mary seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

9C-12 DISCUSSION/FOR POSSIBLE ACTION TO APPROVE FIRST READING OF POLICY 7210 - DMV CERTIFICATION OF ATTENDANCE.

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Denys moved to approve first reading of Policy 7210 - DMV Certification of Attendance and move to second reading. Mary seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

10. DISCUSSION AND INFORMATION ITEMS

10-A LEGAL COUNSEL REPORT

Kevin distributed legal briefs to the Board via email and those are attached to the minutes.

10-B FINANCE OFFICER REPORT

Paul noted Kevin has reviewed the architecture contract. Stalls have been installed at D.E. Norman. Budget discussions will be upcoming.

10-C BOARD REPORT

10C-1 NASB Director's Report

Pete reminded the board of 24-hour New Board Member Training January 23-24, 2015.

10C-2 NASB Legislative Report

Denys noted the Assembly Speaker resigned and a new one is in place. She then reviewed a report that was distributed to all board members this morning via email from Julie.

10C-3 Board Involvement and Reports

Mary – attended Safety and Facility meeting-largest attendance thus far, Girl Scouts helped with food bank, EskDale program, Polar Express, WPHS choir sang at the Catholic church Sunday, delivered angel tree gifts to D.E. Norman, purchased a band calendar.

Shellie – Fall sports banquet, negotiation meeting last night, Polar Express train, purchased a band calendar.

Pete – visited Lisa Peterson's class and observed them using ChromeBooks working on a project recording Ely history, Robotics continues, scheduling financial health with Mrs. Bath, Safety and Facility Dec 8th, EskDale Christmas Program, volunteering on Polar Express, WPHS Senior presentations start January 5th.

Denys – negotiations two weeks ago, EskDale program, Baker School program upcoming, Rotary distribution of dictionaries project, Involved with University of Utah oral history of shepherders donation. Visited Four West Oral History Center.

Lori – EskDale Christmas Program, student/parent recognition breakfast at WPMS, D.E. Norman Angel Star donation. Executive committee conference for NASB and discussed Dotty's contract; perhaps she will be staying though end of 2016. Annual conference will be in Reno at the Atlantis, teacher's leader council has two new members, Lori will be chair of the Children's Land Alliance project she will be serving with Carolyn Edwards, Lou Basanez, Paul Johnson and Tim Crowley, State Improvement Plan - we submitted Adam's name for that committee.

10-D TECHNOLOGY UPDATE

Bob noted that Paul attended a meeting with SWITCH and Paul reported on his meeting there. At that meeting Paul informed the board that SWITCH management noted they have an unlimited budget to get schools connected to this "Super Highway" Looking forward to larger bandwidth. Testing world. January 20th meeting discussing Infinite Campus.

10-E SAFETY AND FACILITY

Bob informed the Board that Principal Allen submitted a report for the incident at D.E. Norman last week; it was handled very well.

10-F SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

10F-1 Transportation Update

John Coppock, transportation mechanic submitted his letter of resignation. We may try to contract with mines on diesel support – this is a major issue for us. All but one travel bus has a camera installed. All but 4 route busses have cameras and those are replacement busses.

10F-2 Monthly Activity Report

Gone January 5-10 and as well as the week of January 19th. First meeting in January may interview board member candidates.

10-G STAFF COMMENTS

None

11. PUBLIC COMMENT

None

12. AGENDA ITEMS – NEXT MEETING

NEXT MEETING

1/13/2015 – Regular Meeting – White Pine County School District Board Room, 1135 Avenue C, Ely, NV 6:00 p.m.

Presentations:
District-testing

Discussion/Action:
School Performance Plans
Reorganization meeting

Discussion:

Meetings in January will be 13th & 27th.

Pete moved to go into executive session to discuss WPACT and WPCSSO union negotiations after a short break. Denys seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

13. EXECUTIVE SESSION

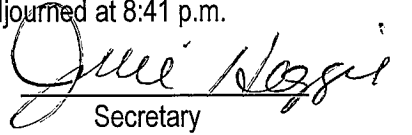
Evaluation of Chief Financial Officer, Paul Johnson Negotiation with Board regarding union negotiations

14. ADJOURNMENT

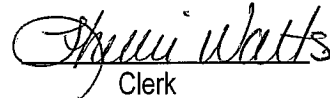
It was moved by Denys and seconded by Mary to adjourn the meeting and passed unanimously.

The meeting adjourned at 8:41 p.m.

Submitted by


Secretary

Approved by


Clerk