

WHITE PINE COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT
BOARD OF SCHOOL TRUSTEES REGULAR MEETING
MINUTES
5/19/2015

1. CALL TO ORDER

A regular meeting of the Board of Trustees was held on 5/19/2015. Chair Lori Hunt called the meeting to order at 6:03 pm p.m. in the Library at White Pine High School, Ely, Nevada.

2. FLAG SALUTE

3. ROLL CALL

BOARD MEMBERS

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

ADMINISTRATORS

Bob Dolezal	Mark Bechtel	Paul Johnson
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STUDENT ADVISORY MEMBERS

Sarah Bennett 6:10

LEGAL COUNSEL

Kevin Briggs

PUBLIC COMMENT

None

5. STAFF COMMENTS

None

6. CORRESPONDENCE

Correspondence was presented on Pages 6-7 of the Expanded Agenda. No additional correspondence.

7. STUDENT REPRESENTATIVE REPORTS

Report from Lund Student Council is attached to the minutes.

Sarah Bennett reported on many events from White Pine High School, a complete list is attached to the minutes.

8. PRESENTATIONS

Recognition of State Champions – The Board of Trustees recognized district State Champions including WPHS Ladycat Basketball and Track teams as well as Drue Ashby, wrestling and Sam Stuart, Track 1600 and 3200 meter.

SVHS – Principal of SVHS, Mark Bechtel noted 15 high school and 2 adult students will be earning their diploma. There are many juniors who are also on track for graduation. Mr. Bechtel also discussed various stats for the school and those are all attached to the minutes.

9. ACTION ITEMS

9-A DISCUSSION/FOR POSSIBLE ACTION TO APPROVE MINUTES 5/5/2015

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Denys moved to approve the minutes of the 5/5/2015 meeting. Mary seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously with Matt and Mary abstaining as they were not in attendance at the 5/5/2015 meeting.

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

Matt moved to approve the following consent agenda items: 9C-1 Payment of Bills, 9-C2 Petty Cash Report, and 9C-3 Budget transfers. Denys seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously with Denys abstaining on check 36718.

9C-4 DISCUSSION/FOR POSSIBLE ACTION TO ACCEPT THE RESIGNATION OF DELPHINE KUECHEL, DRIVER, AND APPROVE TO FILL THE POSITION

Pete moved to accept the resignation of Delphine Kuechel, driver, and approve to fill the position. Denys seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

9C-5 DISCUSSION/FOR POSSIBLE ACTION TO APPROVE LEAVE OF ABSENCE FOR SHARON GROVES, TEACHER D.E. NORMAN ELEMENTARY

Matt moved to approve leave of absence for Sharon Groves, teacher D.E. Norman Elementary. Denys seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

9C-6 DISCUSSION/FOR POSSIBLE ACTION TO APPROVE BUDGET REDUCTIONS

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Bob also discussed the possibility of out-sourcing the nutrition program, with a possibility of maintaining 16 of the 17 current nutrition employees. Perhaps there will only be travel teams at WPMS and Lund Middle School.

Matt moved to approve budget reductions as follows:

- ~ \$68,881 WPHS librarian
- ~ \$47,900 WPHS custodial position
- ~ \$22,400 Lund non-sped para-professionals-kindergarten
- ~ \$17,000 McGill paraprofessional
- ~ \$47,083 WPMS Administrative Assistant
- ~ \$75,938 WPMS Counselor
- ~ \$23,587 WPHS administrative assistant-office
- ~ \$53,000 WPHS School-to-Career staff
- ~ \$68,881 Lund secondary teaching position
- ~ \$68,881 WPHS Secondary Teacher
- ~ \$39,500 WPHS PE para-professional
- ~ \$25,000 WPMS: athletics intramural
- ~ \$0 Lund Jr. High: athletics intramural
- ~ \$100,000 Out-sourcing of nutrition program proposal estimated savings
- ~ \$658,051 TOTAL

Pete seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

9C-7 DISCUSSION/FOR POSSIBLE ACTION TO APPROVE ONLY ENGLISH LANGUAGE LEARNERS POLICY.

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NRS required districts to create a policy for Nevada LEA English Learner. Mark Bechtel noted a need to work on a policy. We received a model from Lyon County that we could adapt. Mark will be working on this policy with parents, teachers and a few board member. Would like it framed out by August.

Discussion only.

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 nothing further.

10-C BOARD REPORT

10C-1 NASB Director's Report

Pete had a meeting last night via phone. Sent out financials in an email today. Approved a tentative budget for NASB, will have an external audit. Keynote speakers are secured for the Annual Conference. Pete will serve on the awards committee. Professional Development in August and September. Annual conference will be in November. Much discussion about legislative issues.

10C-2 NASB Legislative Report

Denys gave a report of federal level legislation. Much action in legislature noting some as follows: bills on firearms on campus, free and reduced lunch and private information passed out of committee, bullying bill going to the Governor. Washoe asked for an advisory questions on the ballot, bill removed 55pmh speed limit on buses, freedom of religion bill is passing, NEPF still being talked about, lots of charter school bills, Read by 3rd grade is close to passage, Governor's tax package sunset taxes will not sunset. DSA increase of \$40 is not sufficient, full day kindergarten.

10C-3 Board Involvement and Reports

Denys – budget meetings, EskDale graduation this Thursday; however, there are not any Nevada students graduating, JAG in Vegas yesterday and placed 3rd of 22 entries. WPCSD is showing the rural districts how to implement the JAG program well.

Pete – WPHS financial health, grad night meeting, art in schools, DEN Bingo night, EMS presentations, judged district elementary Spelling Bee in McGill, safety and facility meeting, NASB meeting, presented a scholarship to a student in Wendover, in Lund today for evacuation drills, looking forward to graduations.

Mary – NCEE meeting, Relay for Life Donkey basketball, Human Health meetings, facility and safety, WPMS evacuation and reunification observations, Lund budget meeting, Cinco De Mayo at DEN, Gala Event honoring DEN and WPMS teachers –WPHS culinary did a great job, DEN Bingo, budget meeting, 4-H sewing, GBC Recognition dinner with 4 WPHS students earning their associate degree, had lunch with Lori and a county commissioner, kid's choice award, EDC today, awards assembly at DEN, lots of parent and staff conversations. Committee Against Child Hunger (CACH) feeds 215 students per weekend at 7 different sites. Annual benefit dinner June 11 with dinner and live auction.

Matt – budget committee meetings, facility and safety meetings, anti-bullying program at WPMS.

Shellie – grad night meetings, thanked those who have helped so far and another grad night meeting will be held on May 28th, budget work sessions, visiting with folks regarding budget cuts, thanked the budget committee, attended GBC Graduation in Elko noting again the four WPHS seniors earning their associate degree.

Lori – teacher appreciation for DEN & WPMS, budget meetings, DEN award assembly today, NASB executive committee meeting, discussed turn around school bill, parliamentary procedure presentation for WPHS StuCo, DEN Bingo, served at little league breakfast, pronouncer at McGill Spelling Bee on of the judges, who has judged for many years, noted students spelling skills have really improved, visited with Bob and Paul today, need to set time to work on NASB nominations.

10-D TECHNOLOGY UPDATE

Bob noted LAN new cabling in the schools has a target date of August 1st. WAN (microwave) project to increase internet speed has a target date of July 1st.

10-E SAFETY AND FACILITY

Pete is working on an identification tag policy for staff and faculty he is also working with Holly Marich on cyber safety. Holly is available the week of June 9th for some training with the Board on social media safety.

10-F SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

10F-1 Transportation Update

Sports travel is done and fieldtrip activity is heavy; we are hiring drivers for next year.

10F-2 Monthly Activity Report

June 1-3 will be Leader In Me training for elementary staff. PTO raised the money for this training. June 3rd will be suicide awareness and prevention training for middle and high school staff.

10-G STAFF COMMENTS

Julie Heggie – noted the effectiveness of the Senior Achievement class for one of her daughters. Her daughter had an interview today and the interviewer noted the great interview skills Ms. Heggie has.

Robin Griffin – thanked the Board for all their work and is hoping money may come back to reinstate the School to Career Program.

Adam Young invited the Board to Senior Awards night next Wednesday and the WPHS singers Concert May 28th, 7 pm at Sacred Heart Church. He also thanks Board Member, Shellie Watts, for her work on the grad night party as well as Midway Gold for their \$4,000 donation and many other businesses that have contributed. The grad night is for WPHS, SVHS and LHS. CTE luncheons at WPHS have been very successful this spring. The presenters from various career fields have shared the importance of education.

11. PUBLIC COMMENT

Roy Faught – noted his appreciation to the Board for their efforts on these difficult budget cut decisions and felt that even though cuts have been made, everyone will go out feeling they have been treated fairly.

Laurette Faught also thanked the Board and thinks they have been fair. She is concerned about out-sourcing the nutrition program.

12. AGENDA ITEMS – NEXT MEETING

NEXT MEETING

5/20/2015 – Regular Meeting – White Pine County School District Board Room, 1135 Avenue C, Ely, NV 6:00 p.m.

Presentations:
Budget Mtg

Discussion/Action:

Discussion:
Social Media training-June 8th mtg
Bob's transition plan

13. ADJOURNMENT

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

The meeting adjourned at 8:00 p.m.

Submitted by Julie Heggie
Secretary

Approved by Shellie Watts
Clerk