

MINUTES
SCHOOL BOARD, DISTRICT #2342
WEST CENTRAL AREA SECONDARY SCHOOL MEDIA CENTER
February 21, 2017

Meeting called to order at 6:30 pm by Ulrich. Members present: Christenson, Biss, Ulrich and Meidl. Members Absent: Nessman, Beuckens, Sabolik. Administration present: Cheney, Prasch, Powers, Nelson, Moore, McNamara, Nibbe and Vincent. Administration Absent: None.

Visitors: CA Ray, Jessica Simon

Motion by Biss, seconded by Christenson, to adopt the agenda as presented. MCU

Motion by Biss, seconded by Christenson, to approve the minutes of the regular school board meeting held on January 17, 2017. MCU

Motion by Meidl, seconded by Biss, to approve the payment of claims in the amount of \$489,515.14. MCU

Administrative reports were given as follows:

Tech Coordinator (Kevin McNamara) – Talked about Turn It In checks for plagiarism on papers – used by over 15,000 institutions. Have quit using Schoology – now use Google. NWEA Maps Testing will be ending. Now using Fast Testing.

Community Education: (Jon Moore) – Facebook page is going well. Lego Club at South. Little Knights basketball has started at North and South. Met with pre-school staff – register sometime in March.

Acting Activities Director: (Harold Nelson) – Girls Basketball is 5-17, Boys Basketball is 10-10, Wrestling team is 24-1 and won section for the 3rd year in a row. Brandon Gruchow was named Park Region Conference Coach of the Year. One Act Play was 2nd place in Sub Section 6A; they placed 5th at Section. Thank you to Chris Ray. Thanked those who donated money to the baseball scoreboard by the friends of Pat Anderson.

Buildings & Grounds Director: (Wade Nibbe) – Bids are in for secured entrances. Will be doing water testing at buildings. Working on quotes for summer projects. Working with demo unit on bathroom cleaning.

Elementary School Principal: (Natalie Prasch) – Kindergarten Roundup at Kensington – 14 new kids. Thanked PACT group for ice cream. I Love To Read Month - Jessica Simon talked about what they have been doing (guest readers, drop everything and read, snuggle up and read day).

Secondary School Principal: (Claire Vincent) – Team Event with NHS was held (sing off, toothpick building). Teachers working on learning targets. Working on course offerings for next year. Winter dance was held.

Business Manager: (Diane Powers): Update on budget to actual expenses and revenues. Health insurance bids are out. E-rate has been submitted for next year. Title I will be due in late March.

Superintendent: (Dr. Chuck Cheney) Written & Oral.

- 1) Superintendent interviews are February 23, 2017. Dr. Cheney explained the process

Motion by Christenson, seconded by Biss, to approve the following general consent items (MCU):

- 1) Approve the lane change for Tara Engelbrecht from MA 10 Step 19 to MA 20 Step 19
- 2) Approve the resignation of the following paraprofessionals:
 - a. Anna Mary Erickson
 - b. Megan Andreasen

- 3) Approve the hiring of the following paraprofessionals:
 - a. Jody Loe
 - b. Kristine Girard
- 4) Approve the appointment of Midwest Special Ed. Cooperative Surrogate Parents to represent WCA students in need of this service:
 - a. Judy Flicker
 - b. Eileen Bliss
- 5) Approve the resignation of the following employees:
 - a. Deborah Emmel effective April 30, 2017
 - b. Kathy Hulzebos end of the 2016-17 school year

Thanked them for their years of service

Unfinished Business:

- 1) Motion by Meidl, seconded by Biss, to approve the third and final reading of the following policies:
 - a. Policy #210 – Conflict of Interest of School Board Members
 - b. Policy #210.1 – Conflict of Interest – Charter School Board Members
 - c. Policy #211 – Criminal or Civil Action against School District, School Board Member, Employee, or Student
 - d. Policy #212 – School Board Member Development
 - e. Policy #213 – School Board Committees
 - f. Policy #214 – Out-of-State Travel by School Board Members
- 2) Motion by Meidl, seconded by Biss, to approve the bids for secured entrances at all 3 WCA sites (WCA South, WCA North & WCA Secondary School) with G6 Construction Services LLC for \$247,501.00

New Business:

- 1) Motion by Christenson, seconded by Biss, to approve the 2017-18 WCA School Calendar as presented. MCU
- 2) Motion by Biss, seconded by Christenson, to approve paring with Morris Area School for hockey 2017-18. MCU
- 3) Motion by Meidl, seconded by Biss, to approve the Notice to Desire to Negotiate with the West Central Area Education Association. MCU
- 4) Motion by Meidl, seconded by Christenson, to approve the recommendation for the installation of a new baseball scoreboard. Friends of PA donated nearly \$15,000. Cost is around \$18,000. Other family funds or corporate sponsor funds will be used for other costs. MCU
- 5) Motion by Biss, seconded by Christenson, to close the meeting until 8:00 pm for the purpose of discussing the upcoming negotiations. In attendance: Biss, Christenson, Ulrich, Meidl, Cheney and Powers. MCU
- 6) Meeting opened back up at 9:00 p.m. by Ulrich. The meeting dealt with upcoming negotiations with WCA Education Association clerical union, support staff and Superintendent compensation package.

Motion by Biss, seconded by Christenson, to adjourn at 9:02 pm. MCU

Chuck Meidl, Clerk/Treasurer