

WAKEFIELD COMMUNITY SCHOOL
BOARD MEETING MINUTES
March 8, 2010

The regular meeting of the Wakefield Board of Education was convened in open and public session on Monday, March 8th at 7:03pm in the board room at the Wakefield Community Schools, 802 Highland Street, Wakefield, NE.

President Victor informed the group that a current copy of the Open Meetings Act was posted on the west wall of the board room accessible to members of the public.

Notice of the meeting was given in advance by publication in the Wakefield Republican with the board approved method of giving notice of meetings. Notice of the meeting was given in advance to the president of the board and all members prior to the meeting date.

Roll was called with the following board members present: Bebee, Christensen, Kindschuh, Lunz, and Victor. Others present were Superintendent Waddle, Elementary Principal Wulf, Secondary Principal Heitz and Recording Secretary Marcia Kratke. Visitors present were Cathy Hoffart and Shelly Schultz.

Awards and Recognitions

Ten students received Gold or Silver at the Lewis & Clark Art Exhibit. Kelvin Rivera received "Best of Show". Morgan Lunz, Torie Alleman, Mercedes Greve, Ryan Conyers, Hannah Paxton, and Scott Wageman qualified for state speech in four different events.

Motion by Bebee, seconded by Kindschuh to approve the agenda as presented. President Victor stated the motion and the result of a roll call vote being all ayes, motion carried.

Mrs. Schultz thanked the board for the new laptops the teachers received. She shared the results of the MAP testing and felt that that this is the best assessment tool that they have seen yet for assessing the students. Amy Bargholz is a student teacher in Mrs. Schultz's room.

Mrs. Hoffart also shared the students' results of reading and math scores from the MAP assessments. She distributed her 1st grade website that she has constructed so parents can access it. She hoped to have it linked to the school website this week.

Elementary Principal Report

Mr. Wulf shared results for various grade levels from the MAP assessments, curriculum revision committee progress , enrollment projections for the coming year, elementary professional development calendar. An administrative team, PK teachers and representatives from HeadStart met to discuss the possibility of partnering with HeadStart. Mrs. Kaufman and Mrs. Sharpe visited two HeadStart classrooms to weigh the pros and cons of shifting the curriculum and program. After much deliberation, the consensus was to wait for another year before discussing it again.

Secondary Principal Report

Mr. Heitz shared the MAP results of grades 7th grade thru 11th grade in Reading, Math and Language Arts, upcoming SMART-board training, staff development calendar and enrollment projections. The State Reading Assessment will be held during April. Mr. Heitz attended a North Central Accreditation workshop in North Platte on Feb. 10-11. The workshop was designed for schools with an upcoming external visit. Our external visit is scheduled for the spring of 2011.

Superintendent

Mr. Waddle discussed the status of the priority bills that will affect us. Mrs. Manz, Mr. Wulf and Mr. Waddle attended the TEAC meeting at Wayne State College on March 3. They discussed some of the new initiatives in teacher education and some of the existing programs offered by the college. The safety committee met on Febr. 26th to discuss recommendations concerning the safety audit, new locks, security cameras and the new parking scheme. State Aid numbers were received which showed Wakefield receiving an additional \$231,000 for 2010-2011. Mr. Waddle cautioned the board concerning the increase because the state revenue forecast coming out soon may change state aid numbers.

Christensen left the meeting at 8:05pm.

Committee Reports

Policy: Will meet March 12 at 7:45am to discuss the 4000's.

Bldg/Grounds/Transportation: Issues are on board agenda.

Personnel: Met with WEA representative and chose the Friend of Education Award recipient.

Strategic Planning: Discussed sharing resources with other schools. Mr. Waddle is to set up a joint meeting with the city council and the school board in the near future.

Action Items:

Motion by Victor, seconded by Kindschuh to approve the consent agenda as presented. President Victor stated the motion and the result of a roll call vote being all ayes, motion carried. Bills were paid for March as follows: General: \$249,184.30; Lunch: \$14,542.63; Payroll: \$166,544.54; Employee Benefit: \$207.20; Special Bldg: \$14,231.42 and Qualified Capital Purpose: \$6,673.75.

Motion by Bebee, seconded by Lunz to not enter into an agreement with the City of Wakefield for mowing and trimming. President Victor stated the motion and the result of a roll call vote being all ayes, motion carried.

No action was taken on the purchase of a mower at this time.

Motion by Bebee, seconded by Kindschuh to accept the resignation of Jan Johnson with regret and thank her for her years of service. President Victor stated the motion and the result of a roll call vote being all ayes, motion carried.

Motion by Kindschuh, seconded by Bebee to recognize the WEA as the exclusive bargaining agent for the certified staff. President Victor stated the motion and the result of a roll call vote being all ayes, motion carried.

The board discussed the possibility of re-key the building, entry door security and security cameras.

Motion by Bebee, seconded by Lunz to proceed with re-keying the entire building. President Victor stated the motion and the result of a roll call vote being all ayes, motion carried.

Motion by Lunz, seconded by Bebee to purchase security cameras from DSN Enviorsystems & Surveillance from Hartington conditionally on clarification of cameras. President Victor stated the motion and the result of a roll call vote being all ayes, motion carried.

Motion by Kindschuh to install door strikes died for lack of second.

Motion by Lunz, seconded by Kindschuh to set the drivers' education fee the same as last year, \$200 per district student and \$260 per out-of-district student. President Victor stated the motion and the result of a roll call vote being all ayes, motion carried.

Motion by Bebee, seconded by Lunz to approve the volunteer status of J. J. Hartung as track coach aide for 2009-10. President Victor stated the motion and the result of a roll call vote being all ayes, motion carried.

Motion by Bebee, seconded by Kindschuh to appoint Julie Rose as a new board member to fill the position vacated by Stuart Clark. President Victor stated the motion and the result of a roll call vote being all ayes, motion carried.

The next regular board meeting will be April 12 at 7:00pm.

Policy Committee will meet on March 12 at 7:45am. Personnel will meet April 6 at 7:00am. Building and Grounds committee meeting will meet at 6:15pm on March 12.

Motion by Bebee, seconded by Lunz to adjourn at 10:09pm. President Victor stated the motion and the result of a roll call vote being all ayes, motion carried.

Lisa Lunz

Marcia Kratke

Secretary

Recording Secretary