

WHITE RIVER SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 416
Buckley, Washington

**MINUTES OF THE WHITE RIVER SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 416
BOARD OF DIRECTORS' MEETING HELD AUGUST 26, 2014**

The meeting of the White River Board of Directors was called to order at 5:30 p.m. The pledge of allegiance was conducted. Under Roll Call, Jean Lacy was absent. Under Approve Agenda, it was moved and seconded to approve the agenda. Motion carried.

Call to Order

Under Announcement and Recognition, 1) First Day of School – September 2, 2014; 2) Next Regular Meeting – Wednesday, September 10, 2014 at 5:30 p.m. – District Board Conference Room; 3) Next Special Meeting September 24, 2014.

Announcements

Highlight: 2014-15 Budget Hearing. Donna Morey provided the budget information, stating that not much had changed since the June pre-budget review. Revenue assumptions include an estimate of lower enrollment than last year. \$37.5 million total revenue was outlined by type. Expenditures include the largest category of about 84% in salaries and benefits. Purchased services including utilities and professional development account for just under 11%, and supplies / materials at about 6.4%. The General Fund balance was shown at \$2.9 million, with 2.5 million committed for the minimum fund balance policy. In Capital Projects, revenue sources are from tree cutting, tech levy money, and Emergency response grant; expenditures include high school football field turf, technology fiber and hardware, roof for the Annex building and other miscellaneous projects. In Debt Service, tax revenue and transfers in, with expenditures to pay for bond fees, interest and principal payments. The ending fund balance for Debt Service is \$3.9 million. Under Transportation Vehicle Fund, revenue and expenditures were outlined and the final balance is \$317,537. ASB Fund balance ends just under \$200,000. There was no Public Comment.

2014-15 Budget Hearing

Under Consent Agenda, Director Jansen moved to approve. Director Pearson seconded. Motion carried. The Consent Agenda included the following items:

Consent Agenda Approved

- Approval of actual vouchers issued July, 2014 (noted below)
- Approval of payroll issued July 31, 2014
- Approval of minutes of the July 9, 2014 Regular meeting
- Ratification of contracts awarded July, 2014
- Approval for overnight travel with students – FFA Leadership Camp
- Approval of personnel report

Actual warrants issued July 15, 2014 were:

General Fund (31743-31812)	\$ 231,173.52
Capital Projects (576)	\$ 2,000.00
ASB (6311-6321)	\$ 15,951.14

Actual warrants issued July 31 were:

General Fund (31813-31872)	\$ 104,733.74
Capital Projects (577)	\$ 64.96
ASB (6322-6326)	\$ 2,804.86

General Fund ACH

\$ 1,992.74

Payroll issued July 31, 2014:

\$2,631,074.59

Under Business Services, Donna Morey requested the board's approval of Resolution No 14-16 – the 2014-15 Budget. Director Jansen moved to approve the resolution; Director Sanabria seconded; motion carried.

**Budget Resolution
Approved**

Mrs. Morey then provided the June Budget Status Report. She reviewed all funds and highlighted differences from totals one year ago. The percent of the budget spent through the reported date was very similar to a year ago; fund balances were also compared. Current activity by school ASB fund was shown. It was noted that a balance of approximately \$100,000 in the Glacier MS ASB fund will be reviewed. Ideas for spending the money to benefit students have been discussed. The board was informed of expenditures of note for each fund Buckley and Bonney Lake expenditures were provided as usual.

**June Budget Status
Report**

Under Action and Reports, Community Activities Coordinator, Erin Thim, was introduced by Mr. Hagadone. He noted that there have been a number of changes in the program since she took over the program. Erin noted that we will begin an on-line payment option shortly. She mentioned several of the successful programs that are run through CAP, and invited the board to visit the wrestling room at the WRESC campus. The program serves about 120 families in Kids Klub at three sites, serving all four elementary schools. She added that an increase in Kids Klub fees at about 12% will be requested to offset improvements and salary changes for the employees. Kids Klub employees will be added as part of the PSE group, and receive benefits as regular employees of the district. Erin noted that there are a wide variety of needs for the Kids Klub services by parents, and they have structured fee schedules to fit those needs. In answer to a question, Mrs. Thim stated that they are increasing advertising for Kids Klub, including presence at open houses, letters, and communication with teachers. The board and superintendent thanked her for her work since starting the job, for her enthusiasm and for being an excellent representative in our community.

**Community Activities
Report**

The board then took a vote regarding the increase in Kids Klub fees for the 2014-15 school year. Director Pearson moved to approve the fee schedule. Director Sanabria seconded. Motion carried.

**Kids Klub Fees
Approved**

Hugh Flint provided information to the board regarding the AYP results received. He stated that since the State lost its ESEA waiver, we are now under the regulations of NCLB. The result is that teachers must be held accountable for their students' assessment results. For the 13-14 school year, no schools met AYP, but this was the first year for Wilkeson and Mountain Meadow. The sanctions do not apply unless the school receives Title I funding. Glacier will begin receiving Title I funding and start back at step one of the process after that. He showed the board which cells did not meeting the standard of proficiency goals (e.g. special education math at the middle school). One impact of this legislation is that the district must set aside money for various purposes including parent involvement, homeless students, school choice, professional development, and indirect costs. This leaves about 63% to use for regular school services to students.

**AYP Results and
Impact**

Resolution No 14-17 – Survey of Space Availability was presented for board approval. Mr. Banks noted that as part of our facilities study, we are required by the state to survey our neighboring districts to see if they have space available in case we become overcrowded. No viable and appropriate space was found to be available. Director

**Resolution 14-17
Space Availability**

Pearson moved to approve the resolution and Director Jansen seconded. Motion carried.

The PSE Collective Bargaining Agreement was reviewed and changes from the former contract were considered. Mr. Banks stated that when the board reviewed it earlier in the year, the agreement had not yet been ratified. Since that has now been done, Mr. Banks urged approval. Director Jansen moved to approve the agreement. Director Pearson seconded; motion carried. Ms. Keating recognized Penny Keating and the bargaining team for their work on the agreement

PSE Collective Bargaining Agreement Approved

Three school board policies were presented for first reading:

Board Policy First Reading

No. 2190 – Highly Capable: Mr. Nick Hedman explained that the revisions reflect ways to meet the needs of the most highly capable students in the district. New state identification of the highest achieving students will begin. He stated that there will be more intentional changes at the middle level, including assistance with social skills.

2190 – Highly Capable Program

No. 2410 – Graduation Requirements: Mr. Scott Harrison first explained that the changes being proposed will be further revised in future years. SB6552 outlines the plan for a 24 credit diploma and the elimination of the culminating project as a graduation requirement. Two of these 24 credits are for world language, strongly recommended for college bound students. The minimum graduation requirement is 22 credits. The High School and Beyond Plan is still required; and math requirements were changed somewhat. Further information will be provided at future board meetings as the State rolls out more information.

2410 – Graduation Requirements

No. 6119 – Uncollected Non-Tax Revenue: This is a new policy for White River. It allows writing off uncollectable amounts. Under \$100 balances would be approved by the superintendent, and over that amount would come to the board. It is not anticipated that this will be a common occurrence, but it was felt the policy should be in place should the need arise.

6119 – Uncollected Non-Tax Revenue

Under Board and Superintendent Comments, Mike Hagadone stated that 35 new staff members met for training. Staff from several departments provided them with information. Mr. Harrison complimented the district's hiring practice and the collaborative environment that is offered to new employees. District level support will be available to the new teachers throughout the year.

Board Superintendent Comments

Mr. Banks and Janel Keating visited the bus drivers during their training today. Ms. Keating reviewed some of the building enrollment projections as related to what has been budgeted.

There being no further business to come before the board, it was moved and seconded to adjourn. The meeting was adjourned at 6:58 p.m.

Adjourn

Janel Keating
Secretary to the Board

Denise Vogel
Board President