

WHITE RIVER SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 416
Buckley, Washington

**MINUTES OF THE WHITE RIVER SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 416
BOARD OF DIRECTORS' MEETING HELD JANUARY 14, 2015**

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, all members were present. Under Approve Agenda, it was moved and seconded to approve the agenda. Motion carried.

Call to order

Under Announcement and Recognition, 1) No School January 19 – Martin Luther King Day; 2) No School January 26 – Semester Break; 3) Next Special Meeting, January 28, 5:30 in the DDC Board Conference Room; 4) Next Regular Meeting, February 11, 2015, 5:30 in the DDC Board Conference Room; 5) Key Communicator Breakfast – January 30, 2015; 7) White River High School ASB Activities Report included information regarding Winter Wishes, where many of the student's wishes were granted; a Martin Luther King Day assembly, and the Inclusion Dance March 13th to replace the Connections dances. Food drive in March, Positivity drive to spread positive energy; a 5K color run is also being planned, and the Josten's Leadership Conference. 8) For School Board Appreciation Month, board members reported which schools had scheduled events for them. Superintendent Keating thanked the board for their support and hard work.

Announcements and Recognition

Under Highlight, Mr. Jim Frost of Lusignan Forestry provided information regarding the management of the district's forest lands and timber harvests. He stated that the company has been managing the district's 3500 acres of forest land since 1972. Most recently, they put out a bid for 28 acres to be logged for over \$325,000. A few concerned neighbors called with questions, but otherwise it went smoothly. The entry road will be blocked off for security, and some other ideas will be formulated to protect the property in coming weeks. Additionally, the Wilkeson area property issues include permitting for culvert work to be done this summer. A long term permit is also being sought for the Easton property. Since this is higher ground, it is snow covered for much of the year. The City of Carbonado has communicated regarding protection of their water source. Some thinning harvests may also be considered in the near future. In response to a question, Mr. Frost described some of the issues with security of the property on 234th. He also described the maturity of the trees on the Wilkeson property (about 30 years) and stated that some thinning could be done there as well.

Forestry Services Report

There was no Public Comment.

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

- Approval of actual vouchers issued December, 2014 (noted below)
- Approval of payroll issued December 29, 2014
- Approval of minutes of the December 10, 2014 Regular meeting
- Ratification of contracts awarded December, 2014

Consent Agenda Approved

- Approval of Out of State Travel for Cody Mothershead and Paige Carroll to attend NCTM Conference Feb 5-7, 2015, Charleston, SC
- Approval of Out of State Travel for Mike Hagadone and Scott Harrison to attend PERC Education Job Fair, Monroeville, PA, March 24-26, 2015
- Approval of Out of State Travel for Hugh Flint to attend NWPBIS Meeting and Training, January 23-24, Corvallis, OR
- Approve Personnel Report

Actual warrants issued December 18, 2014 were:

General Fund (32527-32640)	\$ 277,279.99
ASB (6507-6542)	\$ 38,636.99

Actual warrants issued December 31 were:

General Fund ACH	\$ 5,731.54
ASB ACH	\$ 558.52

Payroll issued December 31, 2014: \$2,512,337.21

Under Business Services, Donna Morey reviewed the budget status for the month of November, 2014. She stated that as time goes forward the budget and actual expenditures will even out, with savings coming particularly in the area of fuel costs and energy expenses. Items of note: almost half of our budgeted property tax for 14-15 has been collected. OSPI released apportionment on November 26th, which allowed the district to pay staff prior to Thanksgiving. We are moving forward in our bid process for the high school field project. The project will include resurfacing the existing track, and football field. High School is meeting to discuss a change in publication of the yearbook.

November Budget Status

In response to a question at a previous meeting, Mrs. Morey then provided information for the board regarding the status of our bus fleet. She noted the schedule of age of buses, and where they are in the depreciation schedule. Many are soon falling off the schedule, and will continue to purchase buses on an annual basis.

Bus Fleet Information

The January enrollment report showed an increase of 19, but a continued decline through the rest of the year is expected.

January Enrollment

Under Actions and Reports, Mr. Scott Harrison introduced Technology TOSA Lori Curtis who provides professional development to teachers and other staff. About 60% of all teachers have already taken a class from Lori. Ms. Curtis the vision for her role the district and shared what has happened so far this fall and winter, including providing training in report card, use of Google Drive, co-taught some lessons, and trained paraeducators. She has created a tech survey and assisted ELA teams in making their common assessments look similar to the SBAC. She has covered over 15 topics in formal training sessions. She provided a description of what the training sessions are like, and shared some of the feedback she has received. Guiding principles of using technology in this was were outlined. In future, there will be more development of curriculum integrating technology, and creating a repository of resources. She will also continue new training as needed, and is starting a network of regional tech TOSAs. White River High School will be host to an area-wide Google Summit next fall.

Technology TOSA Report

Board Policy 5255- Gifts to Staff - was then presented for first reading. Donna Morey stated that occasionally gifts from vendors or families come in and guidance was needed to prevent any appearance of a conflict of interest. The policy limits gifts to a value no more than \$50. This policy will be returned to the board for second reading and approval at the February 2015 regular meeting.

**First Reading Board
Policy 5255**

Under Board and Superintendent Comments, Director Jansen extended thanks to the staff for their hard work. Director Pearson asked about organizing a donation for a student who would like to get a letterman's jacket. Scott Harrison spoke to the board regarding work that is being done to examine standards in math, with one focus on the advanced students, and another on the students who are having difficulty getting to the level needed to pass the SBAC. The district has contracted with Shannon McCaw to assist the district in these efforts. Mr. Mike Hagadone added that discussions are taking place to align these classes with the new 24 credit diploma, and described how these changes will be communicated to families.

**Board and
Superintendent
Comments**

There being no further business to come before the board, it was moved and seconded to adjourn. The meeting was adjourned at 7:00 p.m.

Adjourn

Janel Keating
Secretary to the Board

Denise Vogel
Board President