

WHITE RIVER SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 416
Buckley, Washington

**MINUTES OF THE WHITE RIVER SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 416
BOARD OF DIRECTORS' MEETING HELD FEBRUARY 11, 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. Keith Banks served as Secretary to the Board in Superintendent Keating's absence due to illness. Under Approve Agenda, it was moved and seconded to approve the revised agenda. Motion carried.

Call to Order

Under Announcement and Recognition, 1) No School February 13-16 – Presidents Day Weekend; 2) Next Special Meeting – February 25, 5:30 in the DDC Board Conference Room; 3) Next Regular Meeting, March 11, 2015, 5:30 in the DDC Board Conference Room; 4) Change Date of August Regular Meeting from August 12 to August 19; 5) Washington State Risk Management Pool audited our practices, and if the district shows performance at a high level, the district receives a reduction in insurance premiums. For 2013-14, the district was recognized in several areas for 100% performance and awarded a plaque; 6) Glacier Middle School Leadership team updated the board by first sharing their mission statement. They provided updates regarding assembly planning, and various ways to promote school spirit. They also visit younger students at Elk Ridge and encourage students with positive messages on posters; 7) White River High School ASB Activities Report included information regarding hosting a session on Feb 22nd for other schools to attend. March Madness will include school competitions to promote a food drive. Other activities include a Positivity Drive, and a 70s theme inclusion dance. Students attended at Josten's Leadership Conference, completed their school wide music video, and created a tardy video. A 5K color run is being planned.

Announcements

Under Highlight, Janel Ross, Darcy Saylor and Tracy Nelson provided detailed information regarding 3rd grade English Language Arts curriculum development. Several students with laptops demonstrated to board members how they go about logging in and open an assignment, and how they navigate through it. Ms. Nelson showed the board how teachers can use Google Classroom to score assignments. The district level ELA team includes the superintendent, six teachers and two principals. This team decides on what will be the focus of pre and post assessments and scope and sequence. Units then go out to teachers and teams who give the assessments, then analyze and provide feedback. She described the work accomplished so far and what is yet to be accomplished, providing examples of Scope and Sequence and a skeleton unit plan. She mentioned that there have been some technology glitches but overall, the guidance is appreciated in the classroom.

English Language
Arts

There was no Public Comment.

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

Consent Agenda
Approved

- Approval of actual vouchers issued January, 2015 (noted below)
- Approval of payroll issued December 29, 2014
- Approval of minutes of the January 14, 2015, Regular meeting
- Approval of minutes of the January 28, 2015 Special Meeting
- Ratify Contracts Awarded January, 2015
- Approval of Out of State Travel for Hugh Flint and staff to Attend NW PBIS Conference, Eugene, OR March 4-6, 2015
- Approval of Overnight Travel for DECA State Career Development Conference, March 5-7, Bellevue, WA
- Approval of Overnight Travel for TSA State Conference, Bellevue, WA, March 26-28
- Approval of Overnight Travel for WRHS Key Club to Attend Convention in Seattle, March 13-15
- Approve Revised Personnel Report

Actual warrants issued January 15, 2015 were:

General Fund (32641-32731)	\$ 306,792.13
ASB (6543-6564)	\$ 15,509.08
Capital (590-591)	\$ 51,182.88

Actual warrants issued January 30, 2015 were:

General Fund (32732 – 32804)	\$ 164,473.45
ASB (6565-6577)	\$ 11,066.28
Capital	\$ 9,291.04
General Fund ACH	\$ 1,688.43
ASB ACH	\$ 909.04

Payroll issued January 30, 2015: \$2,496,580.45

Under Business Services, Donna Morey reviewed the budget status for the month of December, 2014. She compared fund balances and reviewed budget vs. actual in various program. Of note, the General fund has about \$709,000 more this December than last year, attributable to apportionment. Non-High funds from Carbonado and Dieringer were explained – we bill these districts for the percentage of levy dollars we would collect if the students resided in our district. Questions were drafted to interview architects for the HS field project. Architects were interviewed and it was discovered that the cost of the project will be much higher than anticipated. December marks the first month of the year in which our Debt Service payments are made. Top ten expenditures for the month were reviewed. She mentioned that conversations are happening to discuss the possibility of a cooperative for McKinney Vento student transportation.

December 2014
Budget Status
Report

The February enrollment report showed that we are holding steady since the increase in January.

Enrollment

Under Actions and Reports, Shauna Perez, Raejean Spencer, and Kelly Fitzpatrick provided information about the Ready! For Kindergarten program. To date, 160 families have come through the program since 2010. Two levels of classes are offered – 4 & 5 year olds, and 3/4 year olds. The program focuses on those students who will not be

Ready! For
Kindergarten

ready when they start kindergarten. The program instructs parents how to teach their children readiness skills, they should be more successful throughout their school years. By narrowing the gap in the range of skills on the first day of kindergarten, the students will advance more quickly. The program seeks to empower parents to better influence their child's early development. Information is provided regarding developmental targets and how to interact with and engage their children. Sessions are provided three times per year and are promoted through various avenues to target lower percentile children.

The Algebra Co-Teaching Model was presented by Cody Mothershead, Jerry Scheidt and John Schumacher. Students in algebra are paired with students on IEPs that may be at a very low math level. The result is that students have raised their assessment scores, and working with computer generated program and appropriate modifications in the class. Concepts are broken down and taught incrementally, building confidence in math. The general education algebra teacher and the special education teachers work together in the class, co-teaching at each step. Specific teaching techniques are used across all skill levels.

Algebra Co-Teaching Model

The WRAA Collective Bargaining Agreement for 2014-17 was presented for the board's approval. Changes to the contract included language regarding per diem calculations, the addition of a \$500 technology tool allocation, and clarification to vacation and holidays. Director Pearson moved to approve the agreement and Director Sanabria seconded. Motion carried.

WRAA CBA Approved

The board approved Resolution 15-02 declaring the week of March 9-13 to be Classified employees Week. The motion was made by Director Jansen and seconded by Director Lacy. Motion carried.

Resolution 15-02 Approved

The salary schedule for a new position called District Server Administrator was brought to the board for approval. Director Jansen moved to approve the salary schedule; Director Pearson seconded. Motion carried.

Salary Schedule Approved

Board Policy 5255- Gifts to Staff - was then presented for second reading and approval. The policy limits gifts to a value no more than \$50. Director Pearson moved to approve the new policy. Director Sanabria seconded. Motion carried.

Policy 5255 Approved

Three policies were presented for first reading. Policy 1400 – Meeting Conduct, Order of Business and Quorum. Policy 1420 – Proposed Agenda and Consent Agenda – As of June, 2014, districts are required to post agendas for regular meetings online at least 24 hours in advance of the meeting. Board Policy 1805 sets the requirement for board members to attend trainings on the Open Public Meetings Act, the Public Records Act and Records Retention within 90 days of election or appointment. Refresher courses are required every four years. These three policies will return to the board for second reading and approval at the March 11, 2015 Regular meeting.

First Reading Board Policies 1400, 1420, and 1805

A motion was made by Director Lacy to approve a donation from the White River Education Foundation in the amount of \$15,000. Director Sanabria seconded. Motion carried.

Donation Approved

Under Board and Superintendent Comments, Mr. Banks distributed comments that had been contributed by those who attended the breakfast for key communicators. There was discussion about the valuable insights gained. Those who attended were encouraged to bring a guest to the next meeting.

Comments

Scott Harrison shared that the University of Washington Leaders for Learning doctoral candidates visited the district and met with the superintendent and other district leaders. He shared that there were many questions about the board of directors, and how they are involved. They were impressed by the time, support and professional development.

Mr. Banks added that Thuan Nguyen continues to work with the district, and is currently helping to manage the wiring project.

Adjourn

There being no further business to come before the board, it was moved and seconded to adjourn. The meeting was adjourned at 7:47 p.m.

Janel Keating
Secretary to the Board

Denise Vogel
Board President