

Washington-Caldwell School District
August 18, 2008 - Washington School Library
Board Meeting Minutes

I. Call to order:

- Mr. Baker called the meeting to order @ 6:37 p.m.
- Pledge of Allegiance

II. Roll Call:

- T. Baker, B Kieckhefer, A. Midthun, F. Theriault present. T. Bluhm absent.

III. Agenda:

- Motion to approve by Mr. Theriault. Second by Mr. Kieckhefer. Approved 4-0

IV. Public notice:

- The Public Notice of this meeting was stated and designated at the last regular Board Meeting and additional notice was placed at Washington School, Ron's Super Service, Tichigan Mobile, the Caldwell Town Bulletin Board, Greeley's Country Store, and in the Waterford Post.

V. Prior Board Minutes:

- Minutes for July 21, 2008 board meeting – Motion to approve minutes by Mr. Midthun with a second by Mr. Theriault. Passed 4-0.
- Minutes for July 3, 2008 Committee of the Board – Motion to approve by Mr. Theriault with a second by Mr. Baker. Motion passed 4-0.
- Minutes for June 9, 2008 special board meeting – Motion to approve by Mr. Baker with second by Mr. Midthun. Motion passed 4-0.
- Minutes of July 28, 2008 special board meeting – Location of meeting to be changed to Office Lounge. Motion to approve by Mr. Theriault with second by Mr. Midthun. Passed 4-0.
- Minutes of August 4, 2008 committee of the board – Motion to approve by Mr. Baker with second by Mr. Theriault. Motion passed 4-0.
- Minutes of the August 5, 2008 committee of the board – Motion to approve by Mr. Midthun with second by Mr. Baker. Motion passed 4-0.

VI. Treasurer's Report:

- Motion for approval by Mr. Midthun / 2nd Mr. Theriault - Approved 4-0.

VII. Written Communications:

- None to Report

VIII. Reports:

- **District Administrator's / Superintendent's Report:**

- Letter from CESA IV that we received a mini-grant of \$5000.00 for early childhood.
 - Letter from Dave Alexander of K8/Union High School Coalition inviting the school to join the group.
 - Letter from CESA II seeking board member for Board of Control group for the board.
 - Information received on School Board Salary Report from WASB.
 - Received contract from CESA II for educational services share. We were assessed \$481.00 with approval in budget.
 - Received information on grant on alternative education program called QUEST. Grant is from Wisconsin DPI \$25,000.00.
 - Letter from DPI on special education program. We met all requirements that were set forth.
 - Last Wednesday, staff went through SmartBoard training. Special thank you to Gary Lilla for proving the training to the district staff.
- **School Report:**
 - None
 - **PTO Report:**
 - Dan Theriault reported that PTO donated another \$250.00 for the ongoing audio equipment upgrades.
 - **Board Report:**
 - None

IX. Old Business:

1. Student Handbook – The district administrator made numerous changes – Motion to approve proposed handbook by Mr. Midthun with second by Mr. Kieckhefer. Motion passed 4-0.
2. Bus Transportation – With changes to the agreement, a contract was proposed with a two year period. Motion to approve contract by Mr. Kieckhefer with second by Mr. Midthun. Motion passed 4-0.
3. Playground Committee – Alex Clement addressed the board with a recommendation of a tiered raised garden around the flagpole. Boy Scouts Troop 332 will handle the project. The estimated project time is about two weeks. Mr. Kieckhefer would like to get a working crew together Saturday, August 23, at noon. The committee will meet October 6, 2008 at 6:30PM.
4. Field Trip Policy / Fees – District Administrator made a proposal for a policy. This matter will be further researched and placed on the September agenda.
5. Strategic Planning – This committee will start for the year on October 6, 2008 at 6:00PM.

6. Annual Meeting of the District is scheduled for September 8, 2008 – Budget meeting is at 6:00PM and the annual meeting will be at 7:00PM. The budget summary and detail will be made available in advance of the meeting at the district office.

X. New Business:

1. Art teacher - Mr. Lancaster – Contract agreement with Brighton School District. Motion to approve Mr. Midthun with second by Mr. Kieckhefer. Motion passed 4-0.
2. Support Staff position – Offer of positions to support staff
 - a. Cathy Jung – Offer of a position 5 hour / 62% as Instruction Aid – Motion to approve Mr. Midthun with second by Mr. Theriault. Motion passed 4-0.
 - b. Ginger Jahnke – Offer of a position 5 hour / 62% as Instruction Aid. This position has differentiated pay based on separate duties – Motion to approve Mr. Midthun with second by Mr. Kieckhefer. Motion passed 4-0.
 - c. Sindy Feldmann – Offer of a position 62% part time at instruction aid rate and 25% at alternative education aid. Proposal dies without a motion to approve.
 - d. Rochelle Marino – Offer of position for Food Service Aide at 50%. Motion to approve by Mr. Midthun with a second by Mr. Theriault. Motion passed 4-0.
 - e. Jennifer Joyce – Offer of position for part time custodian at 50%. Motion to approve by Mr. Midthun with second by Mr. Baker. Motion passed 4-0.
 - f. Ryan Borgwardt – Offer of position for part time custodian at 50%. Motion to approve by Mr. Kieckhefer with second by Mr. Theriault. Motion passed 4-0
3. Jennifer Reed hired as new speech and language for special education cooperative.
4. Foreign Language – Letter of Resignation from Shari McCormack. The position was posted immediately.

XI. Citizens and Delegations:

- Dawn Krebsbach had a question on the June 16, 2008 board meeting. The first is on foreign language funding. Mr. Baker responded that no additional funding was identified this year. The second comment was on the curriculum committee. Mr. Baker indicated that it will be started when the permanent district administrator is on staff.

X. Closed Session (Wis. Stat. 19.85(1)(c) and (e)):

- Adjourned to closed session at 7:48PM. Mr. Midthun with second by Mr. Theriault. Motion passed 4-0.
- Return to open session motion by Mr. Theriault with second by Mr. Kieckhefer at 8:20PM. Approved 4-0.

XI. Action on Closed Session Items:

- Foreign Language Teacher - It has been proposed that the district administrator hire a new teacher with a one year contract. Motion to approve by Mr. Midthun with a second by Mr. Baker. Motion passed 4-0.
- Substitute Teacher Pay - It has been proposed that the substitute teacher salary be increased to \$100.00. Motion to approve by Mr. Baker with a second by Mr. Theriault /Mr. Midthun abstained. Motion passed 3-0.

Next Meeting Dates:

Regular Board Meeting - Monday - September 15, 2008 - 6:30PM.

Adjournment:

Motion to adjourn by Mr. Midthun with second by Mr. Theriault 8:22PM. Approved 4-0.

Board Clerk

Date