



Minutes for the Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors Monday, December 14, 2009

The Board of Directors held a Regular Board Meeting on Monday, December 14, 2009. The meeting began at 5:58 p.m. and was held at the Mead School District Administration Office. Directors Olson, Hunt and O'Connor were present. Directors Farley and Denholm were excused. Also attending was Superintendent Tom Rockefeller, Assistant Superintendent Dan Butler and Executive Directors Ralph Thayer, Kelly Shea and Wayne Leonard.

I. Approval of Agenda

Director O'Connor called for items V.C. - Second Reading of Policy 6212, and VI.B - Procurement Card Program be moved to the January 11, 2010 meeting when the entire Board is present to discuss these two agenda items. Director Hunt made a motion to approve the agenda, as modified. Director Olson seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

II. Approval of Minutes

Director Olson made a motion to approve the minutes of the Regular Board Meeting of November 30, as presented. Director Hunt seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

III. Remarks for the Good of the Schools

Secondary Curriculum Director Danette Driscoll introduced Paul Kautzman of Mt. Spokane High School and Kevin Workman of Mead High School who discussed the Senior Social Studies Community Involvement Plan included in the Cat Tracks Advisory Program.

Superintendent Tom Rockefeller announced that Connie Kostecky of Meadow Ridge Elementary received the Spokane Teacher's Credit Union Teacher-of-the-Year award. Dr. Rockefeller shared a recent edition of Kid's Magazine highlighting the award.

Director Olson complimented Mt. Spokane High School for receiving an outstanding rating from Mr. Jay Riddell of the Northwest Association of Accredited Schools. Mr. Olson said that the accreditation is a rigorous process and that the Board is very pleased with the hard work by the high school staff to achieve this award.

IV. Oath of Office

Superintendent Tom Rockefeller administered the Oath of Office to Directors Maureen O'Connor and Tom Hunt who were re-elected in the November 3, 2009 General Election.

V. Continuing Business

A. Social Skills Curriculum Update

Assistant Superintendent Dan Butler reviewed the district's curriculum adoption process. After a lengthy discussion. Superintendent Rockefeller suggested that the topic be tabled until the Board can review the three remaining chapters of the Pumsy materials and return for further discussion when all Board members will be in attendance.

B. Project Lead the Way - Biomedical Sciences

Assistant Superintendent Dan Butler reviewed the Project Lead the Way - Biomedical Sciences proposal, as presented on November 30, 2009. Mr. Butler requested that the Board adopt the PLTW-Biomedical Sciences Program.

Director Olson made a motion to adopt the Project Lead the Way - Biomedical Sciences Program, as presented. Director Hunt seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

VI. New Business

A. Consent Agenda

Director Hunt made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda. Director Olson seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

B. Prairie View Portable Classrooms

Facility Planning Director John Dormaier reviewed the proposal for the purchase of two new portable/modular classroom buildings for Prairie View Elementary School.

Director Olson made a motion to approve the purchase of two new portable/modular classroom buildings for Prairie View Elementary School, as presented. Director Hunt seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

**C. First Reading
Revision of Policy 3800 - Staff Leaves**

Personnel Director, Jill Christiansen reviewed the proposed changes to Policy 3800 - Sick, Injury, Family, Medical, Attendance Incentive, Domestic Violence and Military Leaves. Ms. Christiansen said that recent law changes require adding language to Mead's existing policy to address Domestic Violence, Military Leaves and Attendance Incentives. In this policy revision, Policy 3800 will be re-numbered to 5400 to align with WSSDA standards. This was a first reading only. No action was taken.

**D. Student Travel Request
Mt. Spokane High School - DECA**

Executive Director Ralph Thayer reviewed the request for the Mt. Spokane High School DECA club to travel to Louisville, Kentucky to compete in the DECA National Conference, April 23-28, 2010.

After a short discussion, Director O'Connor requested that the DECA student travel request be approved with the provision that the balance of private funds matches the Vocational Education balance in payment of trip expenses. Director Olson made a motion to approve the Mt. Spokane High School DECA club request to travel to Louisville, Kentucky to compete in the DECA National Conference, April 23-28, 2010, with the provision that the balance of private funds matches the Vocational Education balance in payment of trip expenses. Director Hunt seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

VII. Reports

A. Superintendent's Report

Superintendent Tom Rockefeller reviewed the details of Governor Gregoire's December 10, 2009 announcement for next year's state budget.

B. Financial Report for the Month of November 2009

Executive Director Wayne Leonard presented a brief report on the financial report for the month of November 2009. Mr. Leonard indicated the year-to-date revenues for November were 24.97% and expenditures were 25.35% of budget projections. Mr. Leonard also indicated that the net cash and investment balance was \$1,648,586. This was an informational report. No action was taken.

VIII. Executive Session

At 7:46 pm Director O'Connor called for a short break followed by an Executive Session of approximately ten minutes to discuss Real Estate issues.

At 8:00 pm Director O'Connor returned the meeting to open session. No other business was discussed and no action was taken.

IX. Adjourn

The meeting was immediately adjourned at 8:00 p.m.