



**Minutes for the Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors
Monday, April 13, 2009**

The Board of Directors held a Regular Board Meeting on Monday, April 13, 2009. The meeting began at 6:07 p.m. and was held at Farwell Elementary School. Directors Farley, Olson, Hunt, Denholm and O'Connor were present. Also attending was Superintendent Tom Rockefeller, Assistant Superintendent Dan Butler and Executive Directors Wayne Leonard, Ralph Thayer and Kelly Shea.

I. Approval of Agenda

Superintendent Tom Rockefeller requested modification of the agenda to add item VI.C. New Business: Mt. Spokane High School Student Travel Request, and Reports: Item VII.A.a., 2009-2010 Budget Report, and Item VII.A.b., Consideration of School Year Calendar Modification. Director Denholm made a motion to approve the agenda, with modifications. Director Hunt 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 March 23, 2009 and the Special Board Retreat of March 26, 2009. Director O'Connor seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

III. Remarks for the Good of the Schools

Mead Education Foundation Board members, Mark Barnes and Ned Wendle reviewed the financial report from this year's Eye4Art Show and Sale. Mr. Barnes said that the show and sale was a resounding success for both the artists and the foundation.

Superintendent Tom Rockefeller spoke about the latest article in the Spokesman Review that misquoted Executive Director Wayne Leonard regarding the current state-wide financial crisis. Dr. Rockefeller wanted to clarify the misprint.

Teri Inman, teacher at M.E.A.D., announced that the alternative high school recently received the Chase Youth Award.

Director Denholm complimented Mead students for their excellent behavior while on field trips that add to Mead pride and outstanding reputation.

**IV. Council for Learning Improvement Plan
Farwell Elementary School**

Farwell Principal, Barb Pybus welcomed the Board and audience members to Farwell Elementary School. Mrs. Pybus spoke briefly about the school's learning improvement plan and then showed a video starring the students. Mrs. Pybus introduced contributing teachers, Nancy Phillips, Charlotte Streit, Melissa Martin and Jennifer Stauffenberg.

V. Continuing Business -- None

VI. New Business

A. Consent Agenda

Director Denholm made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda. Director O'Connor seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

B. Resolution 09-07 Cancellation of Stale Dated Warrants

Executive Director Wayne Leonard reviewed the request to cancel stale dated warrants as listed on Resolution 09-07. Director Hunt made a motion to approve Resolution 09-07, as presented. The motion was seconded by Director Olson. The motion carried unanimously.

C. Mt. Spokane High School Student Travel Request

Executive Director Ralph Thayer gave a detailed review of the request for the DECA students at Mt. Spokane High School to travel to Anaheim, California to attend the DECA Nationals and the International Career Development Conference, April 28 - May 2, 2009. Director Olson made a motion to approve the student travel request, as presented. The motion was seconded by Director O'Connor. The motion carried unanimously.

VII. Reports

A. Superintendent's Report

Dr. Rockefeller presented and discussed a few items of interest to the Board:

- Minutes from the first 2009 Facilities Planning Committee meeting;
- Spokane County Election Certification;
- Complimentary letter from a Mead parent;
- Correspondence from Representative Kevin Parker

a. 2009-2010 Budget Report

Superintendent Tom Rockefeller reviewed the many discussions held at recent All Administrator meetings regarding shortfalls and reductions in the 2009-2010 budget.

Assistant Superintendent Dan Butler reviewed a budget reduction scenario for the Board. This was an informational report. No action was taken.

b. Consideration of 2009-2010 School Year Calendar Change

Executive Director Kelly Shea reviewed points of consideration in modifying the 2009-2010 School Year Calendar. Board President, Ron Farley, requested that more information and data points be brought to the next Board meeting for consideration of the school year calendar modification request. No action was taken.

VIII. Executive Session

At 7:45 pm Director Farley called for a short break followed by an Executive Session of approximately thirty minutes to review the performance of a public employee.

At 8:20 pm Director Farley returned the meeting to open session. No other business was discussed and no action was taken.

IX. Adjourn

The meeting was immediately adjourned at 8:20 p.m.