

MINUTES OF BOARD MEETING

****Regular meeting taking place at the District Office on February 19, 2018**

MEMBERS

Position	Present	Absent
Presiding Officer		Matt Seman
	Charlie Waugh	
		Pam Kovacevich
	Corey Conklin	Arrived at 6:16pm
		Tom Ray
	Kurt Ratliff	Arrived at 6:04pm
Superintendent	Tip Reedy	
Building Principals	Doug Furlow, Clay Shoufler and Adam Ibbotson	Janis Lindsey
Board of Education Secretary	Teresa Benner	

Call to Order / Roll Call / Pledge of Allegiance / Approval of Agenda

The meeting was called to order by Vice President, Charles Waugh. Roll call was taken by the Recording Secretary. Those in attendance stood and recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

A motion was made by Teresa Benner and seconded by Pam Kovacevich that the agenda be approved as amended.

Discussion: Consent agenda item f – Janine Toman resignation added
Action Item g – 2018-19, not 2017-18

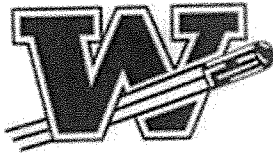
Motion carried

Recognition of Employees, Faculty Spotlight and Public

Byron Painter – South County Publications, Tonia Faloon-Sullivan – WHS teacher, Luke Feeney – Attorney, Miller Braun, Dave Knox – member of the public

Mr. Furlow introduced Tonia Faloon-Sullivan, social science teacher at WHS, and Youth & Government sponsor, who spoke to the Board about the Y&G program. She passed out brochures and explained the contents and details of the program.

She noted that students are active participants serving in roles as legislators, members of the press, attorneys, Supreme Court justices, lobbyists, and the like.



Students from all over the state involved in the program elect a student Governor, Lieutenant Governor, Chief Justice, Speaker of the House and President of the Senate to serve in the capitol facilities during the final weekend in March.

Legislators work to get their bills through committee and on to the floors of the house and senate with the hope of eventually being signed by the Youth Governor.

Ms. Faloon-Sullivan noted some benefits of the program including that it encourages engagement in civic responsibilities. She also noted that more Youth and Government participants register to vote, are more likely to serve on local boards, and volunteer in their community. Leadership and public speaking skills are also further developed by participation in the program.

Forty six students, or 10% of our high school population, participate in the program and come from a wide variety of backgrounds.

A program overview video was shown and the Board was invited to come and watch the legislative sessions that will take place during the final weekend in March. Previous student bills that were passed and signed by the Youth Governor were also shown to the members.

Mr. Furlow gave Mrs. Faloon-Sullivan kudos for all the hard work and dedication she has brought to the program.

Executive Session

A motion was made by Kurt Ratliff and seconded by Pam Kovacevich to enter into Executive Session for the purpose of: Under 5 ILCS 120/ 2c of the Open Meetings Act: the appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance, pending litigation, or dismissal of a specific employee or legal counsel for the public body

Discussion: None

- On roll call the following members answered aye:
Teresa Benner Charles Waugh
Kurt Ratliff Corey Conklin
Pam Kovacevich

- On roll call the following members were absent:
Tom Ray Matt Seman

Motion carried

The Board entered executive session at 6:23pm and returned to open session at 7:19pm

A motion was made by Kurt Ratliff and seconded by Teresa Benner to return to open session.

Discussion: None



Informational Items and Dates

Mr. Reedy presented a list of upcoming important dates to the Board.

- February 22 WHS Band-Chorus Concert 7:00
- March 3 SES Polar Special Olympics Plunge
- March 5 No School Casimir Pulaski Day
- March 6 WHS National Honor Society Induction 6:00
- March 6 IASB Abe Lincoln Meeting 6:30 Clinton HS
- March 8 SES/WMS Title I Night 6:00
- March 9 WHS End of 3rd Nine Weeks
- March 9 SES PTO Mouse Races 6:30
- March 16 SES/WMS/WJHS End of 3rd Nine Weeks
- March 19 Regular BOE Meeting

Approval of the Consent Agenda

A motion was made by Pam Kovacevich and seconded by Corey Conklin to approve the consent agenda containing items a, b, c, d, e and f: Approval of the Regular Meeting Minutes of January 16, 2018, Approval of the Executive Session Meeting Minutes of January 16, 2018 and January 29, 2018, Approval of the Bills in the amount of \$575,350.60, including reimbursement of the revolving fund of \$1085.66, Approval of the Lunch Report, Approval of the Treasurer's Report, and Approval of Superintendent's Acceptance of Resignation:

- Janis Lindsey, Principal, SES
- Janine Toman, Bus Driver

- On roll call the following members answered aye:
Teresa Benner Charles Waugh
Kurt Ratliff Corey Conklin
Pam Kovacevich

- On roll call the following members were absent:
Tom Ray Matt Seman

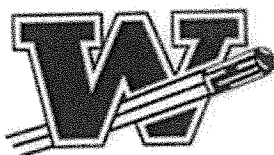
Motion carrier

Information Items

A. Administrative Reports

Full reports were submitted to the Board

- Doug Furlow
 - Handbook – addition for next year (included in packet)
 - Committee met on this, made up of parents, staff, students and a board member
 - Congratulations to Athena Welander for being selected as Student of the Month
 - WYSE team placed 2nd in their regional recently held at LLCC and will complete in sectionals at UIS on 3/5/18
 - Porta Principal sent a note about the pep band and how great they were
 - SIP day – Feb and Mar will look at social/emotional pieces – two surveys will be discussed when the feedback from the students is available
 - Registration for next year is ongoing



- Clay Shoufler
 - MS/JH – County Spelling Bee in Pawnee is coming up
 - Still no regional sponsor for the event, so this is as far as the kids can go
 - Solo and Ensemble contest is this weekend
 - March 8th – Clay and Ashley Damery are going to a training on social/emotional needs
- Adam Ibbotson
 - State science exams – 2016 and 2017 results were just received
 - Above state average for seniors
 - Sophomores now – 86% proficiency
 - Beat state averages in all grade levels
 - Professional Development with focus on social/emotional piece lead by Ashley Damery and Doug Furlow
 - Karen Barnett – title 1 aide, former teacher, selfless heart and servant nature – she has served kids for many, many years. She is a reading specialist and blessing to the district

B. Superintendent's Report

1. Financial Update

Mr. Reedy stated that the Williamsville Index shows a total \$3,842,157 in All Funds as of January 31, 2018. The Operating Fund Balance, made up of Education, Operations and Maintenance, Worker's Comp, IMRF, and Transportation, has a balance of \$3,800,124 as of the same time frame.

He noted that GSA payments are being paid twice per month on time and that we have received the first FY18 MCAT payment.

Mandated Categorical payments are to be paid four times each fiscal year. We just received the first - seven months into this fiscal year.

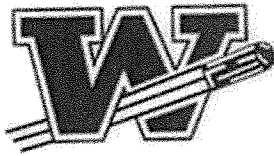
These payments go toward special education and transportation. We received \$124,652.42 for Transportation, and \$14,749.12 for special education.

Mr. Reedy reminded the Board that we have yet to receive our new Evidence Based Funding Model (EBM) tier money, which is estimated to be \$94,000. ISBE is still calculating the formula and payments under the new EBM funding formula. ISBE has stated they are working on the new EBM formula and expect FY18 payments in April.

2. Fund Balance Report

Mr. Reedy informed the Board the fund balance report is included in the BOE packet and noted that we have received 55% of the FY18 budgeted revenues and spent 62% of the FY18 budgeted expenses. The FY18 MCAT payments received in February will be reflected in the March fund balance report.

Mr. Reedy estimates an All Fund balance of \$886,565 and estimates an Operating Fund balance of \$843,965 at the end of this fiscal year. This is an estimated true balance that does not include early tax money.



3. Facilities Update

While there are no updates currently, Mr. Reedy stated that he does appreciate the maintenance teams' efforts in keeping our parking lots, sidewalks, and building entrances clean and free of ice and snow over the winter months. The maintenance staff takes great pride in our facilities.

4. Legislative Update:

- Governor Rauner presented a TRS pension cost shift of 25% over the next four years. This is a 100% pension cost shift phased in over 4 years. Clearly, this would not be good for our district or any other. This cost shift would result in millions of dollars in cost to the district.
- After the recent legislative amendatory veto session, the Illinois State Board of Education (ISBE) found additional minor corrections needed for the new Evidence Based Model funding system. They are correcting those and anticipate FY18 EBM funding to arrive in April.

5. Food Purchasing Co-op Agreement

Mr. Reedy stated we are re-enrolling with our current food service cooperative. This will continue to provide us cost saving measures in purchasing food for the WCUSD#15 lunch program. This is a large, state-wide coop serving over 87,000 students.

6. Village of Williamsville Land Agreement – New Overpass

Mr. Reedy informed the board that the Village of Williamsville has requested to purchase a permanent easement of 245 feet from the school district for the high speed rail. The 245 feet. is located in the south WHS parking lot. No parking will be eliminated. He noted the village needs to use the area to widen the road and build a sidewalk. They are paying the district \$2,800 for the property.

7. School Security Update

Mr. Reedy stated that we will continue to have conversations regarding district security, and reminded the board that we currently have safety mechanisms in place at each building. He noted that we want our buildings to be safe yet still inviting and welcoming to parents and the community.

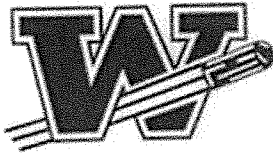
He believes the best form of school security is building relationships and connections with students. Our administrators, staff, and students review, evaluate, and practice safety plans each school year. Annually in the spring, the district hosts a first responder meeting to review the district security plans. Collaboration, communication, and input for areas of need and improvement are recommended at this meeting. First responders use the district facilities for training and drill practice. We continue to welcome the local police departments to have a visible presence in all our buildings.

8. District Vision Committee Report

Mr. Reedy expressed that the third meeting of the committee went well. He reviewed the County Sales Tax and the current WCUSD#15 debt expenses. He asked the group to start thinking about how we could maximize the current tax rate to increase revenue for finances and facilities.

He stated that group is starting to funnel their ideas into categories of People-Programs-Facilities. The next meeting is March 12, 6:30pm, in the WJHS cafeteria.

He noted that the group will continue to move forward having conversations about potential limiting rate, building bond, and debt service extension base referendums. He further stated that we are taking the needed steps to prepare for a County Sales Tax initiative.



9. Future Staffing Needs

Mr. Reedy is investigating the following positions based on needs and district finances

- WJHS Guidance Counselor
- SES Assistant Principal
- WJHS/WMS Assistant Principal
- Special Education Teacher

10. Other

- The district received a FOIA request from SmartProcure, a government research vendor. They requested all and any district purchasing records since January 1, 2013. We completed the request.
- We anticipate potential IMRF employer cost savings for next year due to IMRF's positive investment returns
- We anticipate potential Federal TRS savings for next year because of the federally-funded salary contribution rate decrease from 10.10% to 9.85%
- Mike Gudwien, the WEA, and Mr. Reedy have discussed negotiations. At this time, we are considering starting them in May.
- Congratulations to Pauline Osman and all our cafeteria staff for earning perfect scores for all 3 cafeteria kitchens during their annual health department inspections.
- Mr. Reedy was hired one year ago today

Action Items

A motion was made by Corey Conklin and seconded by Teresa Benner to approve maternity leave request for Jennifer Smith, WHS Ag Teacher

Discussion: None

Motion carried

A motion was made by Pam Kovacevich and seconded by Kurt Ratliff to approve maternity leave request for Cynthia Strocher, WHS Head Cook

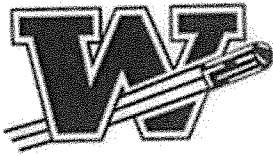
Discussion: None

Motion carried

A motion was made by Teresa Benner and seconded by Charlie Waugh to approve Janis Lindsey as WMS 5th grade teacher

Discussion: None

- On roll call the following members answered aye:
Teresa Benner Charles Waugh
Kurt Ratliff Corey Conklin
Pam Kovacevich



- On roll call the following members were absent:
Tom Ray Matt Seman

Motion carried

A motion was made by Pam Kovacevich and seconded by Kurt Ratliff to approve Amy Bolar as an SES teacher aide

Discussion: None

- On roll call the following members answered aye:
Teresa Benner Charles Waugh
Kurt Ratliff Corey Conklin
Pam Kovacevich
- On roll call the following members were absent:
Tom Ray Matt Seman

Motion carried

A motion was made by Teresa Benner and seconded by Pam Kovacevich to approve Adina Viele as an SES Early Childhood aide

Discussion: None

- On roll call the following members answered aye:
Teresa Benner Charles Waugh
Kurt Ratliff Corey Conklin
Pam Kovacevich
- On roll call the following members were absent:
Tom Ray Matt Seman

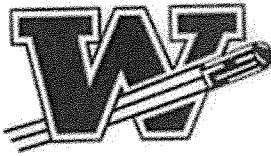
Motion carried

A motion was made by Kurt Ratliff and seconded by Corey Conklin to approve the WHS Scholastic Bowl overnight trip to Chicago

Discussion: None

- On roll call the following members answered aye:
Teresa Benner Charles Waugh
Kurt Ratliff Corey Conklin
Pam Kovacevich
- On roll call the following members were absent:
Tom Ray Matt Seman

Motion carried



A motion was made by Corey Conklin and seconded by Teresa Benner to approve the 2018-19 Food Purchasing Co-op Agreement

Discussion: None

- On roll call the following members answered aye:
Teresa Benner Charles Waugh
Kurt Ratliff Corey Conklin
Pam Kovacevich
- On roll call the following members were absent:
Tom Ray Matt Seman

Motion carried

A motion was made by Pam Kovacevich and seconded by Kurt Ratliff to approve the 2018-19 Lincolnland Technical Education Center Joint Agreement

Discussion: None

- On roll call the following members answered aye:
Teresa Benner Charles Waugh
Kurt Ratliff Corey Conklin
Pam Kovacevich
- On roll call the following members were absent:
Tom Ray Matt Seman

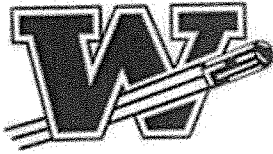
Motion carried

A motion was made by Kurt Ratliff and seconded by Teresa Benner to approve the Village of Williamsville Land Agreement for the new overpass. This improvement requires the permanent use of parcel 06 PE consisting of 0.08 acres (3,679 sq. ft.)

- LEGAL DESCRIPTION PARCEL 06PE

PART OF THE NORTHEAST QUARTER OF SECTION 9, TOWNSHIP 17 NORTH, RANGE 4 WEST OF THE THIRD PRINCIPAL MERIDIAN, DESCRIBED MORE PARTICULARLY AS FOLLOWS:

COMMENCING AT AN IRON PIPE MARKING THE SOUTHWEST CORNER OF THE NORTHEAST QUARTER OF THE AFOREMENTIONED SECTION 9, THENCE NORTH 00 DEGREES 42 MINUTES 10 SECONDS WEST ALONG THE QUARTER SECTION LINE A DISTANCE OF 2,091.39 FEET, THENCE NORTH 89 DEGREES 17 MINUTES 50 SECONDS EAST A DISTANCE OF 50.00 FEET TO A POINT ON THE EAST RIGHT-OF-WAY LINE OF COUNTY HIGHWAY 31, SAID POINT BEING THE TRUE POINT OF BEGINNING, THENCE NORTH 00 DEGREES 42 MINUTES 10 SECONDS WEST ALONG SAID RIGHT-OF-WAY LINE A DISTANCE OF 245.28 FEET, THENCE SOUTH 88 DEGREES 43 MINUTES 37 SECONDS EAST A DISTANCE OF 15.00 FEET, THENCE SOUTH 00 DEGREES 42 MINUTES 10 SECONDS EAST A DISTANCE OF 245.28 FEET, THENCE SOUTH 88 DEGREES 30 MINUTES 10 SECONDS WEST A DISTANCE OF 15.00 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING. SAID PARCEL CONTAINS 0.08 ACRES, MORE OR LESS.



ALL IN THE COUNTY OF SANGAMON, STATE OF ILLINOIS.

Discussion: None

- On roll call the following members answered aye:
Teresa Benner Charles Waugh
Kurt Ratliff Corey Conklin
Pam Kovacevich

- On roll call the following members were absent:
Tom Ray Matt Seman

Motion carried

Adjournment

A motion was made by Pam Kovacevich and seconded by Kurt Ratliff to adjourn the meeting.

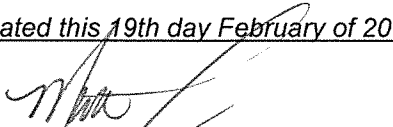
Discussion: None

Motion carried.

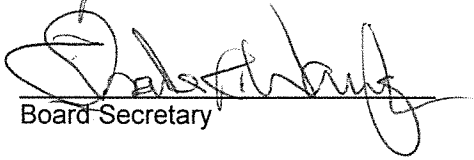
Meeting adjourned at 7:50pm

Board Approval

Dated this 19th day February of 2018



Board President



Board Secretary

**Submitted by Jenny Brennan, Recording Secretary and Director of Human Resources