

Wasco Union High School District
Board of Trustees
Regular Board Meeting
November 9, 2006
6:00 p.m.
Adopted Minutes

I. Call To Order

A regular meeting of the Wasco Union High School Board of Trustees was called to order at 6:02 p.m. in the Boardroom by President Barry Braun.

Board Members Present

Mr. Barry Braun, President
Mr. Craig Fulwyler, Clerk
Mr. Tim Holtermann

Mr. Ernie Sanchez
Mr. Tom Schulte

Administrators Present

Mrs. Elizabeth McCray
Mr. Joseph Elwood
Mr. Martin Lonza

Mrs. Pat Rissi
Mrs. Lori Albrecht

Secretary Present

Mrs. Jan Wright

Visitors

Mr. Jesse Acebedo, Mrs. Merrilee Desatoff, Mr. Walt Desatoff, Mr. Gary Garcia, Valerie Gomez, Erica Rios, Mr. Wayne Wallace

Flag Salute

The flag was saluted.

II. Adopt Agenda

It was moved by Holtermann and seconded by Sanchez to adopt the agenda as presented. Motion carried. Ayes: 5; Noes: 0; Absent: 0.

III. Executive Session

The meeting convened in executive session at 6:03 p.m.

Regular Session

The meeting reconvened in regular session at 7:10 p.m.

Announcement of Executive Session Actions

No action was taken.

IV. Reading and Approval of Minutes

It was moved by Fulwyler and seconded by Schulte to approve the minutes of the regular meeting of October 12, 2006. Motion carried. Ayes: 5; Noes: 0; Absent: 0.

V. Public Comments

Mrs. Desatoff introduced Erica Rios who was selected to receive a scholarship from the California State Summer School for Mathematics and Science (COSMOS). She

requested that Erica be put on the agenda for December's meeting to give the same presentation she did at the J. Paul Getty Museum.

Mr. Garcia congratulated Mr. Holtermann, Mr. Acebedo and Mr. Wallace on their election results. He thanked Mr. Elwood for including the students from his welding classes in the design of the gate in front of the administration building. They used the plasma cutter to make a depiction of the auditorium. He said the FFA reporter, Adrianna Gonzalez, is responsible for the news articles that are appearing in the Wasco Tribune and on the Wasco Times.com website regarding FFA activities.

Mr. Wallace remarked there is counseling money available for the District to hire an additional counselor. Are we considering hiring a counselor?

Mrs. McCray replied there is a first reading on the agenda tonight that addresses that issue with the intention of hiring another caseload counselor.

VI. Items from Board Members

Mr. Holtermann, reporting for NKVTC, stated the house under construction should be completed this month and ready to go out for bids in December. He asked Mr. Elwood if the problem with the phone system calling parents regarding their student taking the exit exam had been addressed.

Mr. Elwood replied the problem had been taken care of.

Mr. Sanchez congratulated Mr. Holtermann, Mr. Acebedo and Mr. Wallace on their election wins. He stated it has been an honor and privilege to serve on the Wasco High Board for the last four years. His goal has been to do what was best for the students. When he attended the conference last month, he brought back ELL curriculum information he felt would be helpful to the students in our district. He encouraged the Board to join the California Latino School Boards Association.

Mr. Braun stated it was great to watch the buildings being set and take pictures of the process. He extended his congratulations to Mr. Holtermann, Mr. Acebedo and Mr. Wallace for their wins and thanked Mr. Sanchez for his service on the Board.

VII. Reports

Valerie Gomez gave a slide presentation on Homecoming week activities and the exchange rally with Shafter. She reported the powder puff game will be played on Friday, November 17, 2006. Also, the ASB had purchased a new sound system. The old system will be used for the various clubs' usage.

Mr. Elwood gave a slide presentation on the retained 9th graders showing where they were last year and their progress this year.

Mrs. McCray stated our goal, as we gather more data and analyze it, is to have presentations at board meetings on how the data relates to the professional development plan and also how we are doing academically at Wasco High School and Independence High School. This will keep the Board apprised as we work toward improving student achievement. She congratulated Mr. Holtermann, Mr. Acebedo and Mr. Wallace for being elected to the school board and wished Mr. Sanchez and Mr. Schulte the best and thanked them for serving on the Board of Trustees. Reporting on enrollment she stated last year's enrollment at this time was 1614 for the district with 1410 students at Wasco

High and 204 students at Independence High. Last month the enrollment was 1689 for the district with 1511 at Wasco High and 178 at Independence High. This week's enrollment is 1668 for the district with 1481 at Wasco High and 187 at Independence High. She said there were some construction issues that set us back a week, but now the buildings are in place. She has had a lot of positive comments from the public already. She also stated she and Mr. Sanchez graduated from the Masters in Governance program.

Mr. Braun asked Mrs. McCray to bring back to the board in the next couple of months information regarding the possibility of putting out a bond so the district is able to finish all the construction projects.

VIII. Discussion and Action

It was moved by Fulwyler and seconded by Holtermann to approve the following personnel items. Motion carried. Ayes: 5; Noes: 0; Absent: 0.

- a. Accept Letter of Retirement from Frances Zuniga, Instructional Assistant, effective December 30, 2006
- b. Approve Jared Hendricks as Part-time Adult Education ESL Teacher for remainder of first semester
- c. Approve MaryAnn Lucas as Assistant Cheer Advisor, Paid
- d. Approve Teachers for After School CAHSEE Tutoring (As needed throughout the year)
 1. Brian Bell
 2. Sunny Ekanem
 3. Rafael Gonzalez
- e. Approve Athletic Coaches
 - Boys' Basketball
 1. Tilo Cortez, Walk-on, Volunteer
 2. Mike Bradley - Changed from Volunteer Status to Paid
 - Wrestling Coaches
 3. Juan Gallardo, Walk-on, Volunteer
 - Girls' Soccer
 4. Claudia Ramirez (Replace Jacqueline Trujillo), Walk-on, Paid ¼ Stipend
 5. Lorena Gutierrez – Changed from Volunteer Status to Paid ¼ Stipend
 6. Diana Valdez – Changed from Volunteer Status to Paid ½ Stipend
 - Girls' Basketball
 7. Shannon Beach – Changed from Volunteer Status to Paid ½ Stipend
 8. Sal Garcia – Changed from Volunteer Status to Paid ½ Stipend
- f. Approve Cafeteria Student Workers
 1. Blas Barboza
 2. Luis Zamora
- g. Approve Board Resolution for Frances Zuniga, Retiring Classified Employee

It was moved by Schulte and seconded by Holtermann to designate Thursday, December 14, 2006 as the Annual Organization meeting of the Board of Trustees. Motion carried. Ayes: 5; Noes: 0; Absent: 0.

It was moved by Schulte and seconded by Sanchez to approve the CAHSEE Waiver Request for sixteen designated special education students. Motion carried. Ayes: 5; Noes: 0; Absent: 0.

It was moved by Schulte and seconded by Fulwyler to approve the following instructional materials for the library. Motion carried. Ayes: 5; Noes: 0; Absent: 0.

DVDs
Key Constitutional Concepts
Our Constitution: A Conversation

Mandate and the People

It was moved by Holtermann and seconded by Sanchez to approve the following parent chaperone for band trips. Motion carried. Ayes: 5; Noes: 0; Absent: 0.

Mary Vaughan

It was moved by Holtermann and seconded by Fulwyler to approve the interdistrict transfer requests submitted by the parents of Bobby Nixon, Nicole Ruvalcaba, Anahy Lopez, Fernanda Salazar, and Christian Rodriguez. Motion carried. Ayes: 5; Noes: 0; Absent: 0.

It was moved by Fulwyler and seconded by Holtermann to approve the field trip request submitted by the Counseling Department to UC Santa Barbara on November 30th with expenses paid by UC Merced. Motion carried. Ayes: 5; Noes: 0; Absent: 0.

It was moved by Schulte and seconded by Fulwyler to approve the donations submitted to ASB, Band, District Office, FFA, and International Economic Summit with letters of appreciation to be sent by the recipients. Motion carried. Ayes: 5; Noes: 0; Absent: 0.

It was moved by Schulte and seconded by Fulwyler to approve declaring the miscellaneous equipment obsolete and ready for auction. Motion carried. Ayes: 5; Noes: 0; Absent: 0.

It was moved by Fulwyler and seconded by Sanchez to accept the bid of \$500.00 from Mr. John Houlihan for the purchase of the 1990 Crown Victoria car. Motion carried. Ayes: 5; Noes: 0; Absent: 0.

IX. Discussion and Information

A proposal for Supplemental School Counseling Program was introduced for the Board's review. Mrs. McCray requested that we go ahead and post for the counseling position.

Correspondence from Kern County Superintendent of Schools on the recent Williams Settlement visit was shared with the Board. The letter stated there were sufficient textbooks and/or instructional materials in specified content areas and the school facilities were in good repair.

A photograph was shared with the Board of former Student Board Representative, Caitlin Butterfield, along with three other girls selected to the All Academies Women's Symposium. They are shown at the Pentagon with the Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff.

X. Claims, Transfers and Accounts

It was moved by Fulwyler and seconded by Schulte to approve the claims, transfers and accounts for Batches 19, 20, 22, 23, 24, 25, 27 and Payrolls in the amount of \$2,019,087.12. Motion carried. Ayes: 5; Noes: 0; Absent: 0.

XI Adjournment

It was moved by Holtermann and seconded by Schulte to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried. Ayes: 5; Noes: 0; Absent: 0. Meeting adjourned at 8:10 p.m.