

Wasco Union High School District
Board of Trustees
Regular Board Meeting
August 9, 2007
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 6:07 p.m. in the Boardroom by President Craig Fulwyler.

Board Members Present

Mr. Craig Fulwyler, President
Mr. Tim Holtermann, Clerk
Mr. Jesse Acebedo

Mr. Barry Braun
Mr. Wayne Wallace

Administrators Present

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

Mrs. Pat Rissi
Mrs. Lori Albrecht

Classified Management Present

Mr. John Yanez

Secretary Present

Mrs. Jan Wright

Visitors

Mrs. Anna Balentine, Mrs. Michele Brand, Mrs. Merrilee Desatoff, Mr. Walt Desatoff, Mrs. Andrea Gebhardt, Ms. DyAnn Herrera, Mrs. MaryAnn Lucas, Mr. Jose Rios, Mr. John Sanford, Mrs. Diane Villagran

Flag Salute

The flag was saluted.

II. Adopt Agenda

It was moved by Braun and seconded by Acebedo to adopt the amended agenda with the addition of items VIII-15 and VIII-16. Motion carried. Ayes: 5; Noes: 0; Absent: 0.

III. Executive Session

The meeting convened in executive session at 6:08 p.m.

Regular Session

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

Announcement of Executive Session Actions

Mr. Fulwyler announced the Board has given the Superintendent direction regarding an operational issue.

IV. Reading and Approval of Minutes

It was moved by Holtermann and seconded by Wallace to approve the minutes of the regular meeting of July 12, 2007. Motion carried. Ayes: 5; Noes: 0; Absent: 0.

V. Public Comments

Mrs. Gebhardt reported the cheerleaders received the Herkie award for being the most unified, spirited and leadership based squad at camp. With this award, the girls have the opportunity to perform at the Orange Bowl in Maui during Thanksgiving vacation. The Varsity and JV squads also received the chance to perform at Nationals in Texas. Also, the Rookie Top Coach award was presented to her at camp.

Mrs. Desatoff reported the English Department received training over the summer from the College Board for the SpringBoard program. She stated the English classes will be using the SpringBoard program this year.

Ms. Herrera reported the softball team had done very well in the summer program winning their tournament at Santa Maria. She stated they are in the process of building the program and she looks forward to the softball season.

Mrs. Brand stated she is now the CTA president. She reported the association officers provided lunch for the new teachers on Tuesday. The new teachers are very enthusiastic and a great addition to our outstanding staff. She said the staff is looking forward to a great year. She remarked she enjoyed having everyone at her home last night for the staff party.

Mrs. Lucas thanked everyone for their support getting the student store to become a reality. She invited everyone to stop by and take a look at the new addition.

Mrs. Rissi reported registration day was very successful with over 1300 students registering. The freshman parent night was also a success with many parents attending. She looks forward to a smooth start for school on Monday.

VI. Items from Board Members

Mr. Holtermann appreciated the tour yesterday. He commended the staff for the great looking campus.

Mr. Wallace asked why the handicap entrance on the sidewalks is painted yellow and not gray. Also, he complemented the cafeteria staff for the back-to-school breakfast; it was great.

Mr. Lonza reported the color is to code and for the visually impaired. The areas are called truncated domes.

Mr. Acebedo thanked Mrs. McCray and the staff for the informative tour of the campus yesterday. Also, the teachers and staff seemed very enthusiastic at the breakfast yesterday.

Mr. Fulwyler concurred the tour was very informative. Minimal improvements were not done in the past and now major improvements must be made. Our students deserve the best facilities we can provide.

VII. Reports

Mr. Holtermann stated NKVTC is still looking for a welding teacher for the Delano class. He asked the status of selling the construction house.

Mr. Elwood reported they have an interested party in the house. ASB has about a month left before it reverts back to North Kern; however, Mrs. Santillan has offered to extend the time limit.

Mrs. McCray stated she enjoyed the tour of the campus with the Board members, Mr. Elwood, Mr. Lonza and Mr. Yanez. She thanked Mrs. Brand for hosting the dinner at her home for the staff. The breakfast prepared by the cafeteria staff was great. She is looking forward to a great school year. She went over the superintendent's goals that were given to the Board. She stated the enrollment at this time is 1733 for the district, with 1680 students at Wasco High and 53 students at Independence High.

VIII. Discussion and Action

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

- a. Approve Adult Education Teachers
 1. Frank Russell
 2. Julie Pineo
 3. David Lucas
 4. Rafael Gonzalez
 5. Joey Mayo
 6. Blanca Soto-Ortiz
- b. Approve Joe Blanchard as Science Department Chair
- c. Approve Robert Rodriguez as Substitute Teacher for Independence High School
- d. Approve Bernadette Rodriguez as Substitute Secretary for Independence High School
- e. Approve Michael Darden, Freshman Assistant Football Coach, Walk-on, Volunteer
- f. Approve Chaperones and Drivers
 1. Jenifer Abernathy, CAHSEE reward trip
 2. Theresa Elwood, WUHS events
 3. Connie Hively, Tennis team

It was moved by Holtermann and seconded by Acebedo to approve the Provisional Internship Permit for DyAnn Herrera, math teacher at Independence High School. Motion carried. Ayes: 5; Noes: 0; Absent: 0.

It was moved by Acebedo and seconded by Braun to approve Board Resolution No. 0708-2 allowing the following teacher to teach outside his credentialed subject area. Motion carried. Ayes: 5; Noes: 0; Absent: 0

Matthew Steward

Advanced Ceramics

It was moved by Wallace and seconded by Acebedo to approve the grading scale changes in Administrative Regulation 5121. Motion carried. Ayes: 5; Noes: 0; Absent: 0.

It was moved by Acebedo and seconded by Wallace to approve the Memorandum of Understanding with Americorps Program for 2007-08. Motion carried. Ayes: 5; Noes: 0; Absent: 0.

It was moved by Acebedo and seconded by Wallace to approve the SpringBoard Schools Contract for 2007-08. Motion carried. Ayes: 5; Noes: 0; Absent: 0.

It was moved by Braun and seconded by Holtermann to approve the Vocational Agreement for 2007-08 with North Kern Vocational Training Center. Motion carried. Ayes: 5; Noes: 0; Absent: 0.

It was moved by Acebedo and seconded by Holtermann to approve the Memorandum of Understanding with Kern County Substance Abuse Prevention Education Consortium for 2007-08. Motion carried. Ayes: 5; Noes: 0; Absent: 0.

It was moved by Braun and seconded by Wallace to approve the following textbooks for the mathematics department. Motion carried. Ayes: 5; Noes: 0; Absent: 0.

California Mathematics Review II, American Book Company, 2007, \$13.30/book
Consumer Mathematics, AGS Publishing, 2003, \$53.61/book

It was moved by Acebedo and seconded by Wallace to approve a Softball Boosters Club. Motion carried. Ayes: 5; Noes: 0; Absent: 0.

It was moved by Wallace and seconded by Holtermann to approve the field trip requests submitted by Academic Decathlon, CAHSEE Award Trip, FFA and tennis team. Motion carried. Ayes: 5; Noes: 0; Absent: 0.

It was moved by Braun and seconded by Wallace to approve the facilities requests submitted by Bengals Football team, Planet Dance Studio and tennis team.

It was moved by Acebedo and seconded by Wallace to approve the donations to ASB/Fitness Center, ASB/Scoreboard, boys' basketball and Wasco High School. Motion carried. Ayes: 5; Noes: 0; Absent: 0.

It was moved by Wallace and seconded by Braun to approve the revision of Change Order No. 6 to JTS Construction Contract from \$88,985.00 to \$86,609.00. Motion carried. Ayes: 5; Noes: 0; Absent: 0.

It was moved by Acebedo and seconded by Braun to rescind Board Resolution No. 0708-1 Ordering an Election and Establishing Specifications of the Election Order. Motion carried. Ayes: 5; Noes: 0; Absent: 0.

It was moved by Braun and seconded by Acebedo to approve Board Resolution No. 0708-3 Ordering an Election and Establishing Specifications of the Election Order in the amount of \$45,000,000.00 for the bond. Ayes: 4; Noes: 1; Absent: 0.

Mr. Holtermann stated, "My issue is not with asking the voters if they are willing to cover the expense of completing all projects at Wasco High School. My issue is making a special effort to circumvent a larger number of voters. This is an expense that the voters will have to bear for a long time and we need to ensure that the largest number of voters get to voice their opinion. Secondly, I am not in favor of spending \$40,000 unnecessarily when the issue can be placed on the general election of 2008."

IX. Discussion and Information

Instructional Materials for the English Department at Wasco High and a Health Class at Independence High was introduced for the Board's review.

Supplemental Materials for English Language Arts (ELA) SpringBoard was introduced for the Board's review.

Correspondence received by Mr. Lonza from Western Association of Schools and Colleges (WASC) stating Independence High was granted a three-year accreditation expiring on June 30, 2010, was shared with Board members.

X. Claims, Transfers and Accounts

It was moved by Holtermann and seconded by Braun to approve the claims, transfers and accounts for Batches 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10 and Payrolls in the amount of \$453,561.06. Motion carried. Ayes: 5; Noes: 0; Absent: 0.

Mr. Fulwyler called a recess at 8:37 p.m.

XI Executive Session (cont'd)

The meeting reconvened in executive session at 8:45 p.m.

XII. Regular Session

The meeting reconvened in regular session at 9:10 p.m.

XIII. Adjournment

It was moved by Holtermann and seconded by Braun to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried. Ayes: 5; Noes: 0; Absent: 0. Meeting adjourned at 9:11 p.m.