

Wasco Union High School District
Board of Trustees
Regular Board Meeting
January 17, 2008
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 6:00 p.m. in the Boardroom by President Tim Holtermann.

Board Members Present

Mr. Tim Holtermann, President
Mr. Jesse Acebedo, Clerk
Mr. Barry Braun

Mr. Craig Fulwyler
Mr. Wayne Wallace

Administrators Present

Mrs. Elizabeth McCray
Mr. Joseph Elwood

Mr. Martin Lonza
Mrs. Lori Albrecht

Classified Management Present

Mr. Joe Salazar

Secretary Present

Mrs. Jan Wright

Visitors

Mr. Bruce Auld, Mrs. Michele Brand, Mr. Travis Crawford, Mrs. Ruth Curiel, Mrs. Merilee Desatoff, Mr. Walt Desatoff, Mrs. Sandy Fisher, Valerie Gomez, Mrs. Denise Morales, Mr. Jose Rios, Mr. John Sanford, Mr. Joe Silveira, Jose Silveira, Joseph Silveira, FFA Officers: Eddie Arredondo Community Vice President, Maritiza Ruelas Chapter Vice President, Carolina Barboza Secretary, Adrianna Gonzalez Reporter, Valeria Ramirez President

Flag Salute

The flag was saluted.

II. Adopt Agenda

It was moved by Fulwyler and seconded by Acebedo to adopt the amended agenda with the addition of Item III-3 and the correction of Item VIII-2. Motion carried. Ayes: 5; Noes: 0; Absent: 0.

III. Executive Session

The meeting convened in executive session at 6:02 p.m.

Regular Session

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

Announcement of Executive Session Actions

Mr. Holtermann reported the Board gave direction to the negotiating team on the purchase of the property.

IV. Reading and Approval of Minutes

It was moved by Braun and seconded by Wallace to approve the minutes of the regular meeting of December 13, 2007. Motion carried. Ayes: 5; Noes: 0; Absent: 0.

V. Public Comments

Mrs. Bruce Auld presented a \$1,000 scholarship from the CFW Foundation to Jose Silveira to pursue his educational and career goals.

Mrs. Brand stated the Academic Decathlon team had their first competition today. They competed in the Speech, Essay and Interview events and did very well.

Mr. Desatoff asked if the Board had a position on the same sex issue for the PE classes and was Wasco High going to go with that instead of coed PE?

VI. Items from Board Members

No comments.

VII. Reports

Valerie Gomez reported Snowball tickets were still on sale. ASB is starting a new tradition by challenging Shafter in powder buff games. They have also suggested that Wasco High teachers compete against Shafter High teachers in a powder buff game, but have not reached a decision.

Mr. Holtermann reporting for NKVTC stated the Medical Billing class has started and the class is full. He also said the Board of Directors was looking at a change in the discipline code, but Wasco High School's discipline code would supersede North Kern's.

Mrs. Morales reporting on some of the changes at the school farm said concrete had been poured and block walls were added. Also, three Wasco High FFA students had received the American FFA Degree.

Eddie Arredondo gave a slide presentation on the activities the FFA students had participated in this year. They included the Officers' retreat, Kern County Fair, Greenhand Conference hosted at Westside Church, FFA Dance and monthly meetings, Bell-ringing, SV Rally, Skating Party, Open/Close Contest, COLC, Regional Meeting at Lemoore, Monrovia Field Day, and hosting elementary students at the pumpkin patch.

Mr. Elwood showed a video on the new Isociser machines in the Fitness Center. He stated we have other schools interested in our exercise program and some of the schools have been to our Fitness Center to look at the machines.

Mr. Elwood, in response to questions from the Board, presented an analysis of the Ds and Fs received in English and Math courses. While the number of Fs increased compared to the previous year, especially in Math, this was not unexpected. As had been predicted, raising the academic rigor school wide resulted in lower grades as students experienced and then adjusted to these higher standards. Overall, student performance is expected to increase with occasional "dips" as new programs and tougher expectations are introduced.

Mrs. McCray stated Mr. Elwood would bring information to the March meeting regarding the progress on the instructional program and program improvement efforts.

Mr. Elwood also stated the Marion Collins Motor Sports Program had contacted him regarding the foundation providing a vehicle and safety equipment for our students to rebuild after school. The racing would start after graduation, and only graduating seniors who have worked on the car are allowed to drive in the race. We will need to find a location and an instructor for the extra curricular project.

Mrs. McCray went over the Capital Plan Needs with the Board to prepare for the upcoming resolution that will be up for Board approval at the February meeting for a Prop 39 Bond Measure to be placed on the ballot in the June election. The plan shows new construction total is \$23,600,000; for modernization and renovation the total is \$34,636,000; and for miscellaneous other the total is \$24,726,500 for a grand total of \$82,962,500. The Facilities Committee will continue to prioritize projects.

Reporting on enrollment Mrs. McCray stated last year's enrollment for the district was 1642 for the district with 1451 students at Wasco High and 191 students at Independence High. Last month the enrollment for the district was 1708 with 1514 students at Wasco High and 194 students at Independence High. This month the enrollment for the district is 1694 with 1513 at Wasco High and 181 at Independence High.

Mrs. McCray also stated that as requested, we will have a band and music update at the February meeting.

VIII. Discussion and Action

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

- a. Approve Rusvel Prado as Fitness Center Coach, Volunteer
- b. Approve Athletic Coaches
 - Golf Coach
 1. Chris Ruiz, Head, Paid
 2. Joey Mayo, Volunteer
 3. Gary Cheatwood, Volunteer, Walk-on
 - Tennis Coach
 4. Joe Hively, Boys' Head, Paid
 - Softball
 5. Cecilia Myrie, JV Assistant, Walk-on, Paid \$500 stipend from Sonia Wedel's stipend
 6. Christina Salinas, JV Assistant, Volunteer
 - Baseball
 7. Steven Ortiz, JV Assistant, Volunteer, Walk-on
- c. Approve Student Workers for ASB
 1. Kenneth Mecham
 2. Elizabeth Garcia
- d. Letisia Ornelas, 5-hour Bus Driver
- e. Jesus Hernandez, Substitute Custodian
- f. Miranda Wright, 2-Hour Cafeteria Assistant

It was moved by Acebedo and Wallace seconded by to approve Resolution No. 0708-6 Impoundment of Local Tax Revenues to Anticipate Pending Claims and/or Litigation. Motion carried. Ayes: 5; Noes: 0; Absent: 0.

It was moved by Fulwyler and seconded by Braun to approve Resolution No. 0708-7 Certifying the Completion of the Mitigated Negative Declaration for the Sports Complex and Classroom Expansion; and Adopting a Mitigation Monitoring Plan. Motion carried. Ayes: 5; Noes: 0; Absent: 0.

It was moved by Wallace and seconded by Braun to approve JTS Deferred Purchase Order, with the discretion of the Superintendent for the date change, in the amount of \$1,188,140 for nine modular classroom building and one modular restroom. Motion carried. Ayes: 5; Noes: 0; Absent: 0.

It was moved by Braun and seconded by Wallace to approve the submission of the Quarterly Report on Williams Uniform Complaints with no complaints noted. Motion carried. Ayes: 5; Noes: 0; Absent: 0.

It was moved by Braun and seconded by Wallace to approve the changes for the tardy procedures in the W Book. Motion carried. Ayes: 5; Noes: 0; Absent: 0.

It was moved by Wallace and seconded by Braun to approve the CAHSEE Waiver Request for designated special education student. Motion carried. Ayes: 5; Noes: 0; Absent: 0.

It was moved by Acebedo and seconded by Wallace to approve the 2007-08 Summary Report for the Arts and Music Block Grant funds. Motion carried. Ayes: 5; Noes: 0; Absent: 0.

It was moved by Braun and seconded by Acebedo to approve the instructional materials for Library Media Center with the exception of the following books. No Board member had any objections to the removal of the list of books. Motion carried. Ayes: 5; Noes: 0; Absent: 0.

The Black Tattoo	A Chalice of Wind
Circle of Ashes	Deadline
Don't Die Dragonfly	Chicken Chicken
Jinx	The Magic Circle
Brother Odd	Forever Odd

It was moved by Fulwyler and seconded by Acebedo to approve the interdistrict transfer requests submitted by the parents of Michael and Brittney Morse and Jannette Rodriguez. Motion carried. Ayes: 5; Noes: 0; Absent: 0.

It was moved by Acebedo and seconded by Wallace to accept the following Paramount Farming Company Grants. Motion carried. Ayes: 5; Noes: 0; Absent: 0.

Advanced Computer Game Programming	Pete Mitchell	\$3,000.
Purchase of Needed Instruments	Greg Sparks	\$3,000.
Girls Golf Equipment	Chris Ruiz	\$2,820.
Wood Carving System	Gary Garcia	\$2,482.

It was moved by Braun and seconded by Fulwyler to approve the donations to ASB, Fitness Center/Conference Room, Freshman Class and Migrant Parent Scholarship with letters of appreciation to be sent by the recipients. Motion carried. Ayes: 5; Noes: 0; Absent: 0.

It was moved by Fulwyler and seconded by Braun to approve the following chaperones for FFA activities for 2007-08 school year. Motion carried. Ayes: 5; Noes: 0; Absent: 0.

Ronnie & Diana Snow

Jeff & Betsy Rogers

Kincade & Kathy Krause

Melissa Parten

Jenifer Abernathy

Mark Morales

Leonard & Juanita Rodriguez

Sharon Nicol

Yolanda Garcia

Gary Cheatwood

Lisa Eyraud

Jenna & Jacob Eyraud

Dan Garcia

Bonnie Garcia

Ralph Garcia

Rick & Kathy Snow

Kirk & Marla Elholm

Brent Paul

Steve Paul

Joel Ackerknecht

IX. Discussion and Information

A textbook for the agriculture earth science class was introduced for the Board's review.

Information regarding the Career Technical Education Facilities Program was shared with the Board.

X. Claims, Transfers and Accounts

It was moved by Acebedo and seconded by Braun to approve the claims, transfers and accounts for Batches 43, 45, 46, 47, 48, 49, 50, 51 and Payrolls in the amount of \$1,064,320.24. Motion carried. Ayes: 5; Noes: 0; Absent: 0.

XI. Adjournment

It was moved by Braun and seconded by Fulwyler to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried. Ayes: 5; Noes: 0; Absent: 0. Meeting adjourned at 9:35 p.m.