

Wasco Union High School District
Board of Trustees
Regular Board Meeting
Boardroom Room 2 Science
September 9, 2009
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 Jesse Acebedo.

Board Members Present

Mr. Jesse Acebedo, President
Mr. Wayne Wallace, Clerk
Mr. Barry Braun

Mr. Craig Fulwyler
Mr. Tim Holtermann

Administrators Present

Mrs. Elizabeth McCray
Mrs. Lori Albrecht
Mr. Joseph Elwood

Mr. Rob Cobb
Mr. Martin Lonza
Mrs. Pat Rissi

Classified Management Present

Mrs. Susan Cheatwood
Mr. John Yanez

Secretary Present

Mrs. Gracie Saldaña

Visitors

Mrs. Sandra Fisher, Mr. Gary Garcia, Mr. Chris McCraw, Mr. Jose Rios, Ileana Soto

Flag Salute

The flag was saluted.

II. Adopt Agenda

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

III. Public Comment

No Public Comment

IV. Executive Session

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

Regular Session

The meeting reconvened in regular session at 7:03 p.m.

Announcement of Executive Session Actions

None

V. Reading and Approval of Minutes

It was moved by Fulwyler and seconded by Wallace to approve the minutes of the regular meeting of August 13, 2009. Motion carried. Ayes: 5; Noes: 0; Absent: 0.

VI. Public Comments

Public Hearing on Sufficiency of Textbooks and Instructional Materials for 2008-09 School Year

A public hearing was convened to certify the district's compliance with Education Code §60119 concerning the sufficiency of textbooks and instructional materials for the 2009-10 school year. Mrs. McCray reported that during the recent Williams visit we were found compliant in all areas regarding instructional materials. The hearing was closed.

VII. Items From Board Members

Mr. Holtermann asked if the District is still operating on the Budget that was approved with the million dollar deficit. Mrs. McCray said that is the budget we follow until the First Interim is completed in December.

Mr. Holtermann then asked if he could have a more detailed list by an e-mail or a hard copy of costs that are not employee benefits. He stated he would like to look that over. Also because the deficit is so large, for the next board meeting under discussion and information, he asked Mrs. McCray if she could present a possible revision in policy regarding board member benefits. He would like to discuss board members paying for their own benefits. Mrs. McCray then asked Mr. Holtermann if he would like to change board policy or review the board policy. He then responded he would like the board policy to be reviewed.

Mr. Barry Braun reported on the football game Friday night in Delano. During the game he noticed their parking lot was locked. He asked what the planned practice was for the Wasco High School football stadium and the east side entrance by the nice new big parking lot. Mr. Elwood responded the plan is to have that side closed with the exception of the large games such as Shafter (which will not be in Wasco this year) and Homecoming. The issue is getting a portable ticket booth out there and providing supervision. Mr. Braun encouraged the use of the parking lot gate.

Mr. Wallace then shared that he thought Wasco High used to have one (portable ticket booth). He then asked Mr. John Yanez if he recalled seeing a portable booth. Mr. Yanez replied that as Mr. Elwood had mentioned we are working on one now. He then asked Mr. Elwood if he could share about that. Mr. Elwood shared that the ticket booth that was used last year during the Wasco/Shafter Game was borrowed from Shafter. But we are looking into converting a storage unit into a ticket booth. Mrs. McCray stated that one of the reasons the gate remains closed is because of security and supervision. If we can get help with supervision we can open up for many more games.

Mr. Wallace asked Mr. Elwood since the deficiency notices are coming out he wanted to know in comparison to last year, how are we doing? Mr. Elwood replied that he did not have that information at this time but would have it as soon as the grades are entered.

VIII. Reports

1. Ileana Soto, Student Board Representative presented to the board on behalf of the Athletic Department tickets to the BBQ on Friday before the home football game. She reported that Saturday, September 5th was Wasco Appreciation Day. Approximately 50 students participated. We met at WHS at 8:30 in the morning and we picked up trash down 7th Street and offered our cleaning services to the local businesses to show our appreciation for their support. She also shared with the Board that tomorrow Thursday, September 10th is the Rose Queen Pageant. It begins at 6pm. The Pageant will include 12 senior girls who will be running for Miss Wasco Rose Queen. Finally our first Spirit Rally and home game is on Friday, September 11th.

2. Mr. Fulwyler reported to the Board that NKVTC is continuing to work on their budget. There may need to be more cuts made that we will look at during our next meeting on Monday, September 14, 2009.
3. Mrs. McCray reported to the Board that we received the California State Standards Test Results and introduced Mr. Joe Elwood and Mr. Martin Lonza who presented the Board with a Powerpoint Presentation on the State of California State Standards Test Results for Wasco High School and Independence High School.

Mrs. Lori Albrecht shared that the LEA Plan Addendum is what is driving this whole shift. We touch base and monitor on a quarterly basis to see where we are and that the pacing guides have been met. The ACES (Assessment of Core Essential Standards) are there. The plan is being monitored.

Mrs. McCray shared that WUHSD will be doing a trimester review in October. When we do that we will then bring those results back to you at our November meeting. We will be able to tell you where we are and what we have accomplished. We are focused on exactly where we need to go and are being monitored by Pivot Learning Partners as well as monitoring internally. We all have coaches and they are keeping us right on track to make sure we are moving forward. We will pull the district site leadership team together to do the review and see where we are and see what our next steps will be.

Mrs. McCray also shared we are looking at the data to see the achievement levels of students entering Wasco Union High School District. We currently have 16 sections of Fundamentals of Algebra, which is a lot of sections of below grade level math classes. She also shared that an invitation to our feeder schools has been extended to join us in EL Network through Pivot Partners, with the exception of Maple School District since they do not have a significant population of English Learners. At this point Pivot Partners has been able to contact Dr. Brian Caples of Semitropic School District and Dr. Paul Chounet of Wasco Union Elementary School District they expressed a great interest. We are trying to bring the feeders together for discussions. We are pleased that we are able to have the discussions, gather the data and we have seen growth but we still have a ways to go. Mrs. McCray also shared that she understands how the Board wants us (administration) to move faster, as does she, but give us time. We are moving in the right direction, we have a focus, we have increased the capacity of our teacher leadership and they have really taken on an active role. Classrooms are being monitored, collaboration is going well, and there is a product being developed and a movement to engage teachers as well as students. There is still an intervention piece that needs to happen. That (intervention piece) is what Mr. Elwood was sharing during his presentation regarding mandatory lunch time tutoring. We still are working with our Juniors and Seniors for credit recovery as necessary. There is a very strong focus and dedication on the part of the staff. The ELPD was fabulous and the sharing that took place among all the teachers was great and it will continue. We do not want to lose the momentum of the ELPD and we are going to have some opportunities during the PAC Meetings for teachers to come in who attended the ELPD to model strategies (EL strategies) not to just explain them but to model them. Then the Department Chairs will go back and model it to their Department. Through observations and monitoring the implementation we are on the right track. We are learning more and each and every day we get better.

Mrs. McCray presented her Superintendent Goals to the Board. The Goals are aligned with the focus on the instructional program and the professional learning community as well as maintaining the efficiency of the budget in these trying times. Just as she

met with the Board regarding budget saving ideas, she also met with Administration and Management teams and with CSEA to get ideas so that we can all work together to save jobs. We are all watching how we do things, when we do them. We may be faced with a cash flow issue and that is due to the deferrals that are coming from the State. So the revenue is not coming in regularly as it has in previous years. Our Accounting Office has the directive to watch the cash flow. Cash is to be in the County Treasury before processing an order. We also ask that all expenditures have justification as to how it is going to assist in the instructional program and there are lots of checks and balances through our process. Mrs. McCray commended the Accounting Office for their diligence. She shared that we are trying to take care of the little things so that we do not have to do the big ones. We are trying to work with everybody to get ideas, see where we can go and to put things upper most in people's minds as to some things we all can do to help each other.

McCray reported that the application of the Qualified School Construction Bond (QSCB) was unsuccessful. There was \$700 million available. The State received applications that totaled \$3.7 billion and so the cut off in the lottery was 43. We were number 179. Standard and Sierra Sands were successful in Kern County.

Mrs. McCray reported enrollment for last year was 1794 with 1582 at Wasco High School and 211 at Independence High School. Enrollment for last month was 1773 with 1622 at WHS and 151 at IHS. This month's enrollment is 1778 with 1622 at WHS and 176 at IHS. She reported enrollment is still up.

IX. Discussion and Action

1. It was moved by Fulwyler and seconded by Braun to approve the following personnel items. Motion carried. Ayes: 4; Noes: 0; Absent: 0. Abstain: 1 (Wallace)
 - a. Accept Letter of Resignation from Kaylene Fraley, Classified Staff Member
 - b. Approve Late Bus Run Drivers (Rotation)

1. Gerardo Gomez	4. Juan Ramos
2. John Houlihan	5. John Sanford
3. Jerry Pearson	
 - c. Approve Extended Day Teachers, Migrant Tutoring Teachers and PASS Teachers for 2009-10 School Year

1. B. Bell	Math	6.	A. Balentine	ELA
2. R. Cherry	Math	7.	J. Mayo	Social Science
3. W. Fields	Math	8.	M. Brand	Science
4. C. Sears	ELA	9.	J. Pineo	Science/Math
5. M. Desatoff	ELA			
 - d. Approve ASB Student Workers

1. Jessica Aguilar	9. Jeffery Montoya
2. Suhaytie Ayala	10. Beatrice Montes
3. Susanna Carrillo	11. Yadira Mora
4. D'Schelle Chatman	12. Ricardo Ore
5. Graciela Hernandez	13. Edgar Rios
6. Gil Lopez	14. Carlos Romero
7. Kenny Meacham	15. April Thomas
8. Eduardo Medina	
 - e. Approve Cafeteria Student Workers

1. Janell Barnes	6. Stephanie Munoz
2. Cristian Blanco	7. April Thomas
3. Charity Duran	8. Alexis Tovar
4. Millie Freeman	9. Marisela Vega

5. Gil Lopez
 - f. Approve the following Athletic Coaches
 1. Approve Volleyball Coaches:
 - a. Millie Pettibone-Head, Paid
 - b. Christina Nance-JV, Paid
 - c. Alyssa Sabala-Frosh/Soph, Walk-On, Paid
 - d. Wayne Wallace-Walk-On, Volunteer
 2. Approve Chris Ruiz as Girls Golf Coach-Head, Paid
 3. Approve Cross Country Coaches:
 - a. Craig Williams-Head, Paid
 - b. Noel Leon-Assistant, Paid
 - c. Matt Madrigal-Walk-On, Volunteer
 4. Approve Girls Tennis Coaches:
 - a. Joe Hively-Head, Paid
 - b. John Steward-Walk-On, Paid
 - c. Anthony Sandoval-Walk-On, Volunteer
 5. Approve the following pay changes for Football Coaches:
 - a. Michael Rowland-Assistant, will be full pay instead of half
 - b. Justin Derrick-Assistant, will be full pay instead of half
 - c. Donny Johnson-Walk-On, will be full pay instead of half
 - d. Alex Gallardo-Walk-On, will be half pay
 2. It was moved by Wallace and seconded by Braun to approve the Resolution No. 0910-3 Sufficiency of Textbooks and Instructional Materials. Motion carried. Ayes: 5; Noes: 0; Absent: 0.
 3. It was moved by Fulwyler and seconded by Braun to accept the Unaudited Actuals Financial Report for 2008-2009. Motion carried. Ayes: 5; Noes: 0; Absent: 0.
- Mr. Tim Holtermann asked Mrs. McCray if she knew the amount in reserves.
- Mrs. McCray explained we have an unappropriated or ending balance and at the earlier request of Mr. Holtermann, reviewed the Unaudited Actuals Financial Report with the Board, speaking specifically to reserves, expenditures associated to salaries, benefits, books and supplies, services and operating expenditures, and capital outlay. She also shared with the Board that the bond tax rate has decreased from \$28.33 to \$19.86 due to the assessed value of the property.
4. It was moved by Wallace and seconded by Fulwyler to approve the Gann Limits Board Resolution No. 0910-4. Motion carried. Ayes: 5; Noes: 0; Absent: 0.
 5. It was moved by Braun and seconded by Wallace to approve the Career Technical Education Facilities Program (Culinary Arts) Funding Application-3rd Funding Cycle. Ayes: 5; Noes: 0; Absent: 0.
 6. It was moved by Holtermann and seconded by Braun to approve the Vocational Agreement for 2009-10 School Year with North Kern Vocational Training Center. Motion carried. Ayes: 5; Noes: 0; Absent: 0.
 7. It was moved by Braun and seconded by Fulwyler to approve the Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with Americorps Program. Motion carried. Ayes: 5; Noes: 0; Absent: 0.

8. It was moved by Fulwyler and seconded by Braun to approve the Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with the City of Wasco for the Paving of Beckes Street. Motion carried. Ayes: 5; Noes: 0; Absent: 0.
9. It was moved by Wallace and seconded by Fulwyler to approve the Kern County Substance Abuse Prevention Education Consortium/Partnership Participation 2009-10. Motion carried. Ayes: 5; Noes: 0; Absent: 0.
10. It was moved by Braun and seconded by Wallace to approve the International Exchange Student. Motion carried. Ayes: 5; Noes: 0; Absent: 0.
11. It was moved by Holtermann and seconded by Fulwyler to approve the Interdistrict Transfer Requests. Motion carried. Ayes: 5; Noes: 0; Absent: 0.
12. It was moved by Braun and seconded by Fulwyler to approve and award the contract to the low bidder, CNF Construction, Inc. of Shafter for Wasco High School Perimeter Fencing Project. The Fence option was decided by the board with majority vote for Option B: 5' fence in front of school (Seventh Street). Motion carried. Ayes: 5; Noes: 0; Absent: 0.
13. It was moved by Wallace and seconded by Braun to approve the Change Order No. 3 to Park West Builders, Inc. Motion carried. Ayes: 5; Noes: 0; Absent: 0.
14. It was moved by Holtermann and seconded by Braun to approve the Chaperones and Drivers for Outdoor Club Trips. Motion carried. Ayes: 5; Noes: 0; Absent: 0.
15. It was moved by Holtermann and seconded by Braun to approve the Field Trips submitted by the FFA, Outdoor Club and E3L and Student Voice Conference. Motion carried. Ayes: 5; Noes: 0; Absent: 0.
16. It was moved by Wallace and seconded by Fulwyler to approve the Ag. Chaperones and Drivers for the 2009-10 School Year. Motion carried. Ayes: 5; Noes: 0; Absent: 0.
17. It was moved by Wallace and seconded by Braun to approve the Volunteer Doctor for Sporting Events. Motion carried. Ayes: 5; Noes: 0; Absent: 0.
18. It was moved by Fulwyler and seconded by Holtermann to approve the Facilities Request submitted by National Health Services and Houchin Blood Bank. Motion carried. Ayes: 5; Noes: 0; Absent: 0.
19. It was moved by Holtermann and seconded by Braun to approve the Declare Surplus Ag. Equipment Obsolete. Motion carried. Ayes: 5; Noes: 0; Absent: 0.
20. It was moved by Wallace and seconded by Holtermann to approve the Donations Received by Ag. Department, ASB and Volleyball Club. Motion carried. Ayes: 5; Noes: 0; Absent: 0.

X. Discussion and Information

1. Correspondence from the Kern County Superintendent of Schools regarding the 2009-10 Budget and 3 year projection.
2. Correspondence from California Association Future Farmers of America acknowledging Jacob Skinner, Wasco High Graduate.

XI. Claims, Transfers and Accounts

It was moved by Wallace and seconded by Fulwyler to approve the claims, transfers and accounts for Batches 11,12,13,14,15 and Payrolls in the amount \$2,455,574.95. Motion carried. Ayes: 5; Noes: 0; Absent: 0.

XII. 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 8:31 p.m.

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