

Wasco Union High School District
Board of Trustees
Regular Board Meeting
Boardroom NKVTC Room 4
October 11, 2012
7:00 p.m.
Adopted Minutes

I. Call to Order – 6:00 p.m.

A regular meeting of the Wasco Union High School District Board of Trustees was called to order at 6:00 p.m. by President Craig Fulwyler.

Board Members Present

Mr. Craig Fulwyler, President
Mr. Jesse Acebedo, Clerk
Mr. Barry Braun

Mrs. Patricia Sanchez
Mr. Wayne Wallace

Administrators Present

Mrs. Elizabeth McCray
Mrs. Lori Albrecht

Mr. Joe Elwood
Mr. Martin Lonza

Classified Management Present

Mr. Jeff Payne
Mr. Joe Salazar

Mr. John Yanez

Secretary Present

Mrs. Gracie Saldaña

Visitors

Susan Andreas-Bervel, Joe Colombo, Dr. Jim Forrest, Sam Torres, Louis Varga

Flag Salute

The flag was saluted.

II. Adopt Agenda

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

III. Public Comments

None

IV. Executive Session

The meeting convened in executive session at 6:04 p.m.

Regular Session

The meeting convened in regular session at 7:15 p.m.

Announcement of Executive Session Actions

None

V. Reading and Approval of Minutes

It was moved by Wallace and seconded by Acebedo to approve the minutes of the special meeting, August 8, 2012 and regular meeting of August 9, 2012. Motioned carried.

Ayes: 5; Noes: 0; Absent: 0.

VI. Public Comments

None

VII. Items From Board Members

Mrs. Sanchez shared she is an employee of Migrant Education for WUESD. She reported that she was at a meeting where they were discussing transportation & bus issues. She then commended John Yanez for his hard work and diligence after hearing from those people from other District regarding their buses and how they were not retrofitted.

Mr. Wallace asked how the Chicken Dinner Fund Raiser turned out. Mr. Elwood shared there was good support for the fundraiser. He also reported that this event will be taking place at a different location on campus next year. Mr. Wallace then shared that the tennis team had a fund raiser with a very good turnout, as well.

Mr. Braun shared that he attended the four hearings held by Kern County Committee on School District Organization. He reported that it was a good experience but interesting to see how things can be misconstrued and twisted. He then shared that he is looking forward to the Next Kern County Committee on School District Organization Meeting on October 10, 2012.

Mr. Acebedo shared that there were 53 students who attended the first Kern County Leadership Meeting. He reported that he looking forward to taking students to Ridgeview for the Fall Blast on the 29th of October.

Mr. Fulwyler asked about the incident during the Caser Chavez Football Game. Mr. Elwood shared what was learned from this incident and it is that we were complacent since we haven't had issues before. The announcer of the games will now have radio to contact staff directly. We have identified the cause and it was a Shafter/Wasco incident. We have 12-14 identified instigators who have been removed from the remaining home games. We now have orange vests and shirts for all campus security. We have also made contact and are collaborating with the local Kern County Sheriff's. Mr. Fulwyler expressed that safety is a big concern and the possible injuries that could happen to our employees, students or community members. He wants to ensure that our employees are properly prepared.

VIII. Reports

1. Micah Morin, Student Board Representative reported on the Darling Divas that is schedule to happen tomorrow. The homecoming was a great success on the Wasco High School Quad Area. Link Crew would like to collaborate with advisors and counselors to create awareness for Senior due dates. She also shared that the campus has had a few visitors from several Universities. We are having a Pink Out tomorrow and Rhonda Jones will be honored with the flipping the game coin.
2. Mr. Fulwyler, North Kern Vocational Training Center reported that they have hired an employee for the Medical Course in McFarland.

3. Mrs. McCray shared that Mr. Sam Torres, Principal of John L. Prueitt was in attendance and commended him on the 801 API score. John L. Prueitt is no longer in Program Improvement.

Mr. Elwood then presented to the Board the USA Flag that was donated to Wasco High School by Captain Caitlin (Butterfield) Reilly, a Wasco High Alumni who is now serving in the United States Air Force.

Mrs. McCray then introduced Mrs. Lori Albrecht, Mr. Joe Elwood and Mr. Martin Lonza who reported on the API (Academic Performance Index)/AYP (Adequate Yearly Progress) Data. Mr. Elwood reviewed the Data for Wasco High School. He shared that these result will determine our approach for this school year and effective methods on increasing our scores. Mr. Elwood shared that we have a very strong incoming freshmen class. Mrs. McCray reported that Thomas Jefferson's API scores increased by 30 points. Mr. Wallace asked if Mr. Elwood felt that the improvement was due to the collaboration between WUESD and WUHSD. Mr. Elwood reported absolutely, we even share coaches that add to the power of what we are accomplishing. Mr. Fulwyler shared that he appreciated the straight forward approach of this presentation. Mr. Elwood shared that this data is a wakeup call for all our staff.

Mr. Lonza shared that their scores did drop this school year but we have pretty simple corrections that need to be pushed to make the increase happen. Mrs. Sanchez shared that she willing to motivate the students by coloring her hair as a board member.

Mrs. Albrecht reported on the District Accountability Progress Reporting. This data is a result of both schools. She reported that enthusiasm may have been lost but the passion and the motivation is definitely there. We still have the goal of "Why not Wasco" mentality and a strong district force in the Valley. Mrs. McCray reported that this is a strong push of owning the data and the changes are positive.

Mrs. McCray reminded the board of the Kern County Committee on School District Organization Meeting that will be held on Wednesday, 17th of October that will determine if the committee will put it to a community to vote. She then reminded the Board to not sit in groups of 3 or more at the meeting.

Mrs. McCray then reported to the Board the District's enrollment. Last year at this time, we were at 1588 at Wasco High and 180 at Independence High with a total for the District 1768. Last month at this time we were at 1762 for the District, 1565 at Wasco High and 197 at Independence High. As of today, we are at 1560 at Wasco High and 197 at Independence High with a total of 1757 for the District.

IX. Discussion and Action

1. It was moved by Acebedo and seconded by Sanchez on the approval of the Personnel Consent Agenda. Motion carried. Ayes: 5; Noes: 0; Absent: 0.
 - a. Consider Approval of Certificated Employees
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 - a. Jamie Chavarria, Lunchtime Study Hall Teacher

2. Consider Accept Letter of Resignation from Beatrice Ramirez, Classified Employee
 3. Consider Approval of Classified Employee(s)
 - a. Consider Approval of Angelica Benavides, Campus Supervisor
 - b. Consider Approval of Mario Juarez, Migrant Late Bus Run Driver (Rotation)
 4. Consider Approval of Athletic Coach(es)
 1. Approval of the following Girls Soccer Coaches:
 - a. Eric Sands-Head Paid
 - b. Justin Derrick-JV Paid
 - c. Greg MacLean-Varsity Volunteer
 2. Approval of the following Wrestling Coaches:
 - a. Rusvel Prado-Head Paid
 - b. Ramon Arriaga-Volunteer, Walk-On
 - c. Joe Blanchard-Volunteer, Assistant
 - d. Alex Gallardo-Volunteer, Walk-On
 - e. Juan Gallardo-1/2 Paid, Walk-On
 - f. Seth Hokit-1/4 Paid, Walk-On
 - h. Donny Johnson-1/4 Paid, Walk-On
 - i. Jose Landin-Volunteer, Walk-On
 3. Approval of the following Boys Soccer Coaches:
 - a. Ian Hunter-Head Paid
 - b. Hugo Garcia-JV Paid, Walk-On
 4. Approval of the following Boys Basketball Coaches:
 - a. Jonathan Bradley-Assistant JV, Walk-On
 - b. Irma Prado-Freshman, Assistant
 - c. Jim Wheeler, Varsity, Volunteer, Walk-On
 5. Approval of the following Girls Basketball Coaches:
 - a. Sarah Ortiz-Head Paid
 - b. Lorena Gonzalez-Frosh Paid, Walk-On
 - c. Jim Wheeler-JV Paid, Walk-On
2. It was moved by Braun and seconded by Wallace to approve the Lease-Lease Back Contractor and Pre-Service Agreement for Wasco High School Phase V Modernization Project. Motion carried. Ayes: 5; Noes: 0; Absent: 0. Mr. Colombo commended the Board on their hard work, he shared that he enjoyed the presentations and offered to pay for a meeting of the staff to share data. Mrs. McCray thanked and commended Mr. Colombo and Mr. Varga for their support and attendance of tonight's board meeting and last night's hearing.
 3. It was moved by Wallace and seconded by Braun on the approval of the Agreement Regarding Costs of CEQA Compliance in Connection with Proposed Wasco Unification. Motion carried. Ayes: 5; Noes: 0; Absent: 0.
 4. It was moved by Acebedo and seconded by Braun on the approval of the Submission of Quarterly Report on Williams Uniform Complaints. Motion carried. Ayes: 5; Noes: 0; Absent: 0.
 5. It was moved by Braun and seconded by Acebedo on the approval of the California High School Exit Exam (CAHSEE) Waiver Requests. Motion carried. Ayes: 5; Noes: 0; Absent: 0.

6. It was moved by Acebedo and seconded by Braun on the approval of the Courses of Study. Motion carried. Ayes: 5; Noes: 0; Absent: 0.
7. It was moved by Braun and seconded by Sanchez on the approval of the 2012-13 Career Technical Education Advisory Committee. Motion carried. Ayes: 5; Noes: 0; Absent: 0.
8. It was moved by Braun and seconded by Acebedo on the approval of the Resolution 1213-4 to Apply for the California Department of Education Small School District and County Office of Education Bus Replacement Program. Motion carried. Ayes: 5; Noes: 0; Absent: 0.

Mr. Braun suggested the possibility of air conditioners for a bus that has students on board for over an hour.

9. It was moved by Sanchez and seconded by Braun on the approval of the AC Electric Change Order #2. Motion carried. Ayes: 5; Noes: 0; Absent: 0.
10. It was moved by Acebedo and seconded by Sanchez on the approval of the Interdistrict Transfer Requests. Motion carried. Ayes: 5; Noes: 0; Absent: 0.
11. It was moved by Sanchez and seconded by Wallace on the approval of the Field Trip Requests submitted by Mr. Ante to the Migrant Youth Day in Fresno, CA on 11/3/12 and Mr. McCraw to the San Joaquin FFA Regional Meeting in Leemore, CA on 11/17/12. Motion carried. Ayes: 5; Noes: 0; Absent: 0.
12. It was moved by Sanchez and seconded by Acebedo on the approval of the Facilities Requests requested by Paramount Education Program for October 18, 2012 and Shafter/Wasco Elks Lodge for December 1, 2012. Motion carried. Ayes: 5; Noes: 0; Absent: 0.
13. It was moved by Sanchez and seconded by Braun on the approval of the Donations to Wasco Union High School by Captain Caitlin (Butterfield) Reilly of the United States Air Force donated a U.S. Flag and Sun Gro Horticulture donated potting soil to the Wasco Ag Horticulture. Motion carried. Ayes: 5; Noes: 0; Absent: 0.

X. Discussion and Information

1. Correspondence from Kern County Superintendent of Schools regarding Title II was shared with the Board
2. The Courses of Study was introduced to the Board
3. The Instructional Materials was introduced to the Board
4. The Exhibit 4040, 4-5 Wireless User Agreement was introduced to the Board
5. The Exhibit 4040, 1-3 Employee Technology Use Agreement was introduced to The Board

XI. Claims Transfers and Accounts

It was moved by Acebedo and seconded by Braun to approve the claims, transfers and accounts for Batches 16, 20 through 27 and Payrolls in the amount of \$1,053,470.43. Motioned carried. Ayes: 5; Noes: 0; Absent: 0.

XII. Adjournment

It was moved by Acebedo and seconded by Wallace to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried. Ayes: 5; Noes: 0; Absent: 0.

Dr. Forrest shared that he is especially gratified to see another board at work and equally gratified with vote coming up of the committee. He shared that he hears that there is a good feeling with the collaboration between the two districts. He then reported how nice it is to work together between the schools. He would like to remind the Board of the need for people of the community to vote. We have had numerous votes on this but we have never had a unanimous board on the unification, we can't stop here, we need to get out into the community and rally the community together so that on voting day we will have a great voter turn out. He is confident we can get this done by getting everyone aware of the positives. Dr. Forrest shared that now is not the time to give up, or become complacent. Please keep this in mind. Mr. Braun agreed with Dr. Forrest and shared that this change will also push our children of the community further and benefit them as they feed into the High School.

Meeting adjourned at 8:50 p.m.