

Wasco Union High School District  
Board of Trustees  
Regular Board Meeting  
Boardroom NKVTC Room 4  
April 11, 2013  
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 Wayne Wallace.

Board Members Present

Mr. Wayne Wallace, President  
Mrs. Patricia Sanchez, Clerk

Mr. Craig Fulwyler  
Mr. Jesse Acebedo

Board Members Absent

Mr. Cruz Rodriguez

Administrators Present

Mrs. Elizabeth McCray  
Mrs. Lori Albrecht  
Mr. Robert Cobb

Mr. Joe Elwood  
Mr. Martin Lonza  
Mrs. Pat Rissi

Classified Management Present

Mr. Jeff Payne  
Mr. Joe Salazar

Mr. John Yanez

Secretary Present

Mrs. Gracie Saldaña

Visitors

David Abernathy, Susie Andreas-Bervel, Barry Braun, Karen Fulwyler, Rafael Gonzalez, John Martin, Madeline Nicol, Raul Rangel, Jose Rios, Diane Villagran

Flag Salute

The flag was saluted.

II. Adopt Agenda

It was moved by Acebedo and it was seconded by Fulwyler to remove item 8 on section IX (Facilities Request) and adopt the agenda. Motion carried. Ayes: 4; Noes: 0; Absent: 1.

III. Public Comments

None

IV. Executive Session

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

Regular Session

The meeting convened in regular session at 7:00 p.m.

Announcement of Executive Session Actions

Mr. Wallace announced the evaluation of the superintendent is good and she meets our expectations.

V. Reading and Approval of Minutes

It was moved by Fulwyler and seconded by Acebedo to approve the minutes of the regular meeting of March 14, 2013. Motioned carried. Ayes: 4; Noes: 0; Absent: 1.

VI. Public Comments

Mr. John Martin shared that he is a councilman for City of Wasco. He reported that as he was running for city council he promised the return of the Firework Show. The contract has been signed and we are moving forward. He shared that there was a meeting with the Chamber of Commerce and we would like to have a community event for our city, organizations, families and bring unity in our community. We would like to make this an annual event. He reported that the concern that we have is that the ball park is real confined and the seating is not enough to accommodate our community. The Chamber of Commerce would like to request the possibility of holding the Aerial Firework Display Launch on the Facilities of Wasco High School. Mrs. McCray shared that the District Insurance Company has made suggestions to the District and those suggestions have been given to Mr. Martin as well as the Facilities Request Form and the District Board Policy. Mr. Fulwyler asked where this event will take place on campus. Mr. Martin reported that we are currently considering a car show on the football field, close off vehicle traffic through Palm Avenue to allow pedestrians fill in. We would utilize the soccer field for the launching of the fireworks. Mr. Fulwyler shared that he assumes that all the regulations are in place as to Fireworks. Mr. Martin shared that the firework company has the regulations. This is another reason why the firework company would much rather see the launching take place at the High School due to the security of the soccer field fencing. Mr. Martin shared that they will be putting out flyers and the event will be on the 3<sup>rd</sup> of July. Mr. Martin thanked Superintendent McCray and the Board for their time and said he would have a plan ready for the May Board Meeting.

Madeline Nicol, a junior at Wasco High School and ASB Student Commissioner shared that she had a few questions about the unification. Everyone is hearing that it is better for the kids but what is better. Mrs. McCray explained that the reason that the board is not at liberty to advocate for or against unification during a Board Meeting. She asked Madeline if she had had an opportunity to review the Unification Page on the District Website. Madeline replied that she had not. Mrs. McCray explained the information is on the web page and then reported that the vote will be on June 4<sup>th</sup> and would become effective on July 1, 2014. Madeline then shared that she has talked to teachers and staff and they don't really like it but all they are hearing is hearsay. Mrs. McCray then shared that on the district website there are specific questions and answers that may be of help. Madeline then asked when the people are voting what information they will have to make their decisions. Mrs. McCray shared that the ballots and information pamphlet will be issued by the Secretary of State and distributed by Kern County Elections. Madeline shared that the community is hearing right now is that it's going to be better for the kids but personally there are going to be negatives in this process that are not being shared. Mrs. McCray explained that the report, the process and vital information is available on the Unification Page of the District Website and invited Madeline to review this information on her free time and if she has any further questions, she is welcome to stop by the District Office to meet with her.

Mr. McCraw reported that Wasco High School Ag Students, Carina Duran and Ernesto Maldonado are qualifiers for the State FFA. He then shared that Mrs. Amber Nagel will be leaving us after this school year. He then thanked Mr. Elwood allowing Mr. Abernathy to attend the feeder schools during the High School Presentation. Mr. McCray then invited the Administration, Board Members and Community to the Friends and Family Banquet at 6PM on the 10<sup>th</sup> of May. Mr. Fulwyler commended Mr. McCraw on his commendation from Mr. Charles Parker, FFA Advisor and Supervisor of the California Department of Education.

## VII. Items From Board Members

Mr. Jesse Acebedo thanked Mr. McCraw for allowing himself and Mr. Fulwyler to participate in the San Joaquin Region Extemporaneous Public Speaking Competition. It was very impressive. The Kern County Student Leadership Meeting next Friday is Taco Friday and our last meeting of the school year. Our next project for student leadership is the Spring Bash on the 29<sup>th</sup> of May at Hodel's. He shared that Wasco is by far the largest group in Kern County. On May 2<sup>nd</sup> he will be taking two newly elected students to the Stockdale Country Club Luncheon.

Mrs. Patty Sanchez shared that she would like to know what colleges our students will be attending. Mr. Elwood shared that he will gather a list of colleges that our students will be attending in the Fall.

Mrs. McCray shared that Jorge Barrientos of the Bakersfield Californian, Bakersfield Life Magazine has contacted our district to select two of our seniors to be highlighted in their magazine.

Mr. Wallace reported that he was walking on campus and he thinks that the campus security staff needs to wear a blazer to specify who they are. He also said that he didn't think they covered the campus enough. Mr. Wallace then asked if the students just sit in ISR. Mr. Rios shared that we do our best. He then reported that ISR is not a reward for good behavior. Most of those students are disrupting instruction or not doing anything in their class and that is why they are in ISR. Mr. Elwood shared that we have 5 campus supervisors, 4 are all stationed at different areas throughout the campus with 1 roaming supervisor. They do wear shirts and name tags. We just don't have the man power. Mr. Wallace then asked what the delay on the construction was. Mr. Lonza shared it was not supposed to get going until 1 week after spring break, which it did. It is getting rolling right now. Mr. Wallace then asked the status of Safe Schools Plans. Mrs. Albrecht reported that the plans have been reviewed, corrected and she has his revised copy with her this evening.

## VIII. Reports

1. Micah Morin, reported the construction of the students point of view. It is an annoyance at times but we are getting through it. We had a talent show and it was great. Tomorrow is our last rally ever, for our seniors. Tomorrows elections will determine the new ASB for the 2013-2014 school year. The last blast coming up and this year it is Sadie Hawkins Style.
2. Mr. Fulwyler, North Kern Vocational Training Center reported on the possibility of the expansion of classes to full day.
3. Superintendent Mrs. Elizabeth McCray shared that she was approached by Steve Gair who reported that a land owner is considering selling his property west of

campus. Mr. Acevedo asked if we have use for it. Mr. Lonza reported that it would be prudent at some point to pick up the pieces (land) while we can. We are talking about the vacant lot behind the ambulance. Mr. Fulwyler asked if the facilities committee can see how the vision of the committee could utilize this property.

Mrs. McCray shared that with the crucial time of testing going on we need to limit interruptions to a minimal, respectfully including visits from Board Member. Mr. Elwood reported that we are hyping up the incentives. Mr. Fulwyler asked if there is in collaboration with Middle School. Mr. Elwood shared that they have been involved and they too will benefit from these incentives as incoming freshmen.

Mrs. McCray invited the Board Members, Administration, and Staff to the annual End of Year Staff Luncheon and Celebration on May 23<sup>rd</sup> at 1:30 in the Wasco High School Cafeteria, this a minimum day for both districts. We look forward to seeing everyone there.

Mrs. McCray shared that the unification process was not done in secret. We had a meeting over 2 years ago for the joint admin. We then had two other joint board meetings. Then from that point Kern County Committee on School District Organization held two other meetings and four hearings. She did remind the employees that there are laws governing political action and activities. Please let's remind ourselves that District funds or equipment to campaign either for or against is not allowed so let's keep this in mind from the Board Room to the Classroom.

Mrs. McCray then reported to the Board the District's enrollment. Last year at this time, we were at 1499 at Wasco High and 187 at Independence High with a total for the District 1686. Last month at this time we were at 1669 for the District, 1475 at Wasco High and 194 at Independence High. As of today, we are at 1463 at Wasco High and 183 at Independence High with a total of 1646 for the District.

## IX. Discussion and Action

1. It was moved by Acebedo and seconded by Sanchez on the approval of a, b and d Personnel Consent Agenda. Motion carried. Ayes: 4; Noes: 0; Absent: 1. It was moved by Acebedo on the approval of c and seconded by Sanchez. Ayes: 3; Noes: 0; Absent: 1 Abstain: 1 (Fulwyler )
  - a. Accept Letter of Resignation from Amber Nagel, Certificated Employee
  - b. Consider Approval of Summer Certificated Employee(s)
    1. Freshman Academy
      - a. ELA
        1. Kristy Martinez
        2. Carmey Sears
        3. Sarah Unruh
        4. TJ Yasenchak
        5. Melanie Yasenchak
        6. TBD
      - b. Math
        1. Jose Castro
        2. Denise Ortiz

3. Blanca Soto-Ortiz
  4. Julie Pineo
  5. TBD
  6. TBD
2. Rose Tyack, Freshman Academy Intervention
  3. Katie Moreno, Summer Senior Requirements/Credit Recovery
  4. David Lucas, Summer Migrant – PASS Program
  5. Ross Shafer, Summer Counselor
  6. Justin Derrick, Summer E3L Coordinator
- c. Consider Approval of Classified Employee(s)
    1. Leopoldo Medina, Agriculture Farm Assistant
    2. Freshman Academy 2 Support Service Aides (SSA), Migrant
      - a. Alma Raya
      - b. Gloria Medina
    3. Freshman Academy Home Visit Workers
      - a. Marta Poe
      - b. Lori Castillo
    4. MaryAnn Lucas, Freshman Academy Activities Coordinator
    5. Freshman Academy Campus Supervisor
      - a. Tony Gallegos
      - b. Sandra Mejia
  - d. Consider Approval of Athletic Coach(es)
    1. Letter of Resignation from Ian Hunter, Head Soccer Coach
    2. Change in Baseball Coaches Stipends
      - a. Jeff Wedel, Head – Walk On, \$1094.64
      - b. Danny Espitia, Assistant – Walk On, \$400
      - c. Richard Ramiro, Assistant – Walk On, \$900
      - d. Daryl Tillman, JV – Walk On, \$2,068.10
2. It was moved by and seconded by on the approval of the Submission of Quarterly Report on Williams Uniform Complaints. Motion carried. Ayes: 4; Noes: 0; Absent: 1.
  3. It was moved by Sanchez and seconded by Fulwyler on the approval of the Education Protection Account Resolution #1213-08 and Expenditure Plan for 2012-13. Motion carried. Ayes: 4; Noes: 0; Absent: 1.
- Mr. Fulwyler asked Mr. Payne to explain this dollar amount. Mr. Payne responded that this is not new money, it is keeping us fully funded. The auditors will be asked for extra details and therefore we will be seeing an increase in those service fees. The key to remember is that this is not new money. We are still expected to deficit spend. We are working through this as all districts are, so when we build the budget for next school year, this is what is expected.
4. It was moved by Acebedo and seconded by Fulwyler on the approval of the 2012-2013 Audit Contract with Roberts and James, CPA's. Motion carried. Ayes: 4; Noes: 0; Absent: 1.
  5. It was moved by Sanchez and seconded by Fulwyler on the approval of the Chaperones for 2012-2013 School Year. Motion carried. Ayes: 4; Noes: 0; Absent: 1.
  6. It was moved by Sanchez and seconded by Acebedo on the approval of the

Field Trip Requests. Motion carried. Ayes: 4; Noes: 0; Absent: 1.

7. It was moved by Sanchez and seconded by Fulwyler on the approval of the Donations. Motion carried. Ayes: 4; Noes: 0; Absent: 1.

X. Discussion and Information

1. Correspondence from California School Employees Association regarding CSEA Policy 610 Notice was shared with the Board.

Mrs. McCray shared that both districts did receive this letter. Mr. Wallace shared that according to this letter he did not understand why we should negotiate with our staff if they have no authority to reach an agreement. Mrs. McCray shared that it is problematic for negotiations. Mr. Fulwyler asked how long this policy has been in place. Mrs. McCray shared that we have been notified of this the last couple of years. Mrs. McCray shared that she has been directed by the WUESD Board to write a letter. Mr. Fulwyler stated that the goal is to know who has the power to negotiate if our local chapters do not. The Board directed Mrs. McCray to respond to the CSEA Letter.

2. Correspondence from California Department of Education regarding the San Joaquin Region Extemporaneous Public Speaking Competition was shared with the Board.

XI. Claims Transfers and Accounts

It was moved by Sanchez and seconded by Fulwyler to approve the claims, transfers and accounts for Batches 70, 72, 73, 74, 76, 77, and Payrolls in the amount of \$1,043,038.62. Motioned carried. Ayes: 4; Noes: 0; Absent: 1.

XII. Adjournment

It was moved by Acebedo and seconded by Fulwyler to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried. Ayes: 4; Noes: 0; Absent: 1.

Meeting adjourned at 8:21 p.m.