

Wasco Union High School District
Board of Trustees
Regular Board Meeting
Boardroom NKVTC Room 4
May 09, 2013
7:00 p.m.
Unadopted 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
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

Secretary Present

Mrs. Gracie Saldaña

Visitors

Chris McCraw, Raul Rangel, New ASB, Rafael Gonzalez,

Flag Salute

The flag was saluted.

II. Adopt Agenda

It was moved by Acebedo and it was seconded by Rodriguez 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 6:00 p.m.

Regular Session

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

Announcement of Executive Session Actions

None

V. Reading and Approval of Minutes

It was moved by Fulwyler and seconded by Acebedo to approve the minutes of the regular meeting of April 11, 2013. Motioned carried. Ayes: 5; Noes: 0; Absent: 0.

VI. Public Comments

The parents of Moises Banda, addressed the Board regarding several phone calls they have received stating their son was absent when their son is actually participating in a sporting event. Mr. Rangel shared that the standard operating procedures is the coach of the sport is to contact the attendance office prior to departure. He reported that he and Mr. Elwood are reviewing this process due to this type of situation. One of the options is if the coach fails to inform the attendance office of the students attending the event, the next event will be forfeited by the team.

Mr. Fulwyler shared that he would rather see another other type of resolution instead of the students forfeiting, after all it is not the fault of our students.

Mr. Elwood and Mr. Rangel agreed and shared that they will be resolving this issue immediately.

Mrs. McCray thanked the parents for their concern and their attendance. Mr. Banda thanked the Board, Superintendent and Administrators for their assistance in this matter.

Mr. McCraw shared that Leo Medina, the New Ag Farm Assistant is going a great job. He reported that Wasco High Student's Ernesto Maldonado and Corina Duran were awarded the state proficiency reward, a great accomplishment of 35 State Winners. He also invited the Board and Administration to the FFA Family & Friends Banquet.

VII. Items From Board Members

Mrs. Patty Sanchez shared that she attended the Freshmen Launch, and commended administration for the event looked great.

Mr. Craig Fulwyler shared that he is very proud of this school. He shared that we have a great team and look forward to our future.

Mr. Wayne Wallace shared that he also attended the Freshmen Launch. He asked on behalf of a concerned parent, what is embedded support. Mr. Elwood shared that is an opportunity 20 minutes before the end of class to allow the teacher to provide that 1 on 1 attention to those students who need it. Everyone else gets released early. The students who get released early can get to the breakfast or lunch line earlier. Mr. Elwood shared that this is another attempt to motivate our students.

Mr. Cruz Rodriguez shared that he was glad that Mr. Wallace brought it up because his granddaughter mentioned that to him.

Mr. Craig Fulwyler asked if this was a suggestion from Pivot. Mr. Elwood shared that Mr. Blanchard saw this strategy when he visited a school in the Whittier District and it was working well.

Mr. Wallace shared that he heard that it is being asked what seniors are failing. Some of these students that are failing would not be in this situation if it wasn't for the 90% attendance rule. Mr. Elwood shared that it is a very small group.

VIII. Reports

1. Micah Morin, student board representative reported that the senior motivation assembly was really cool. She shared that several topics were addressed such as Texting and Driving, Drunk Driving and the campus supervisor Jose Rios' daughter came and also spoke to use. It was great. Micah reported that starting the month of May the schedule will include Minimum Day Friday's and Foggy Day Monday's. The Spring Sports have done well. The Boys Swim won SSL, the last SSL in Boys Swim as accomplished over 30 years ago. She shared that Softball's current record is 8/3 and Baseball's current record are 6/5. The Powder Buff was last week and the Seniors beat the Juniors and Shafter. She thanked Mr. Acebedo, Raquel Acebedo and Sharon Nicol for their Student Leadership Involvement. She also thanked the Board, Superintendent McCray and administration for her tenure as Student Board Representative. Mr. Wallace presented Micah with a plaque of appreciation as Student Board Representative and thanked her for her service. Micah then introduced Estela Pruneda as the New Student Board Representative.

Mr. Raul Rangel introduced the new 2013-2014 ASB; Morgan Campbell, Erica Cruz, Marybeth Newman, Orchid Elizondo, Kaitlyn Skaggs, Natasha Giesy, Anthony Martin, Madie Nicol, Brenda Barraza, Jose Robeldo, Paulina Reyes, and Jose Reyes, Emily Esnoz and Estela Pruneda.

Mr. Rangel shared that we have had a tremendous year. It started in the fall with our Undefeated Football Season & Valley Championship. Soccer Boys won their SSL title for the 6th time, Wrestlers finished 12th in this state and earned their 4th consecutive SSL title. The Winter Sports Season resulted in all qualifying for playoffs. In the Spring Season we also have five qualifying for playoffs. We have over 650 students involved in athletics alone. This number has nothing to with club involvement on campus. The one thing that just resonates with success is that our kids are getting involved and we have great students and coaches. For the last 3 or 4 years, almost every head coach is a credentialed school teacher. That is huge, we are very few in the whole State who can say this. We have had an amazing, historic and great year.

Mr. Rodriguez shared that he was glad that Mr. Rangel mentioned that because someone mentioned that to him today. Mr. Rangel shared that we do prefer the coaches to be certificated but in the rare occasion we do have a walk on coach such as Jeff Wedel. The difference here is that Mr. Wedel has been coaching with the District for many years and is well aware of the requirements and details that involve a student athlete. He is a tremendous Coach who fits in perfect with his fellow coaches.

2. Mr. Fulwyler, North Kern Vocational Training Center reported sections for afternoon did open up. We will see if those courses have enough students to sustain.

Mr. Wallace asked how many of these classrooms are being used. Mrs. McCray shared that they are all being used with the exception of the Board Room that is being shared between the District and NKVTC.

3. Mrs. McCray shared that our P2 projection was 1637. In April, it was 1600. If this continues the revenue flow will go down. We have notified both unions of the insurance rate increase for the new year. Mrs. McCray then reviewed the May Calendar & June Events with the Board.

Mrs. McCray then reminded the Board of the invitation to the End of Year Staff Celebration Luncheon on May 23, 2013 at 1:30 in the Cafeteria.

Also she shared that there will be a candidates forum on Monday night at 6PM in the High School Cafeteria. It is open to the community to get a better understanding of the candidates regarding Measure A, please plan to attend.

Mrs. McCray then reported to the Board the District's enrollment. Last year at this time, we were at 1489 at Wasco High and 176 at Independence High with a total for the District 1665. Last month at this time we were at 1646 for the District, 1463 at Wasco High and 183 at Independence High. As of today, we are at 1451 at Wasco High and 194 at Independence High with a total of 1645 for the District.

Mr. Elwood shared a list of colleges that students from our 2013 graduating class will be attending.

Mr. Fulwyler asked what we can do about the P2 numbers. Mr. Elwood shared that the big tool we are using now is the BlackBoard Connect. We are taking care of the truancies. Mr. Fulwyler shared that although tonight we got to see the other side of the complaint (phone calls regarding absences) but we also have a big reason to why this needs to happen.

Mrs. Rissi shared that she has been told by parents that the only reason she is after the truant students is because she wants the money. She shares with the parents that we are in need of the funds; funds that are used for your students. Our attendance is better than any surrounding schools and in Bakersfield.

IX. Discussion and Action

1. It was moved by Fulwyler and seconded by Acebedo on the approval of Personnel Consent Agenda. Motion carried. Ayes: 5; Noes: 0; Absent: 0
2. It was moved by Sanchez on the approval of the request of an Extended Leave of Absence from Certificated Employee, due to no second item dies.
3. It was moved by Fulwyler and seconded by Rodriguez on the approval of the Resolution #1213-09 Receipt and Use of Funds of the 2013-14 Tier III Categorical Programs. Motion carried. Ayes: 5; Noes: 0; Absent: 0.
4. It was moved by Fulwyler and seconded by Acebedo on the approval of the Bond Oversight Committee Members. Motion carried. Ayes: 5; Noes: 0; Absent: 0.

Mr. Wallace asked how many opening do we still have. Mrs. McCray explained that we have 2 openings.

5. It was moved by Acebedo and seconded Sanchez by on the approval of the

2013-2014 CIF League Representative. Motion carried. Ayes: 5; Noes: 0; Absent: 0.

6. It was moved by Rodriguez and seconded by Fulwyler on the approval of the Interdistrict Requests for the 2013-2014 School Year. Motion carried. Ayes: 5; Noes: 0; Absent: 0.
7. It was moved by Acebedo and seconded by Sanchez on the approval of the Field Trip Requests. Motion carried. Ayes: 5; Noes: 0; Absent: 0.
8. It was moved by Rodriguez and seconded by Sanchez on the approval of the Chaperones for 2013-2014 School Year. Motion carried. Ayes: 5; Noes: 0; Absent: 0.
9. It was moved by Sanchez and seconded by Fulwyler on the approval of the Facilities Requests. Motion carried. Ayes: 5; Noes: 0; Absent: 0.

Mrs. McCray thanked Mr. John Martin who was in attendance for his efforts in returning the 4th of July Firework Show. As a member of community this greatly appreciated. Mr. Martin shared that this is going to be a real good community event.

X. Discussion and Information

1. Correspondence from Kern County Superintendent of Schools, regarding Return of 2nd Interim Report was reviewed with the Board.
2. District Superintendent Response Letter to California School Employees Association regarding CSEA Letter Dated March 15, 2013 (CSEA Policy 610) was shared with the Board.
3. Correspondence from CSEA in Response to the Superintendent's Response Letter Dated April 15, 2013 (CSEA Policy 610) was reviewed 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 75, 78, 79, 80, 81, 83 and Payrolls in the amount of \$1,169,938.95. Motioned carried. Ayes: 5; Noes: 0; Absent: 0.

XII. Adjournment

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

Meeting adjourned at 8:13 p.m.