

Wasco Union High School District
Board of Trustees
Regular Board Meeting
Boardroom NKVTC Room 4
December 10, 2015
5:30 p.m.
Adopted Minutes

I. Call to Order – 5:30 p.m.

A regular meeting of the Wasco Union High School District Board of Trustees was called to order at 5:31 p.m. by President Craig Fulwyler.

Board Members Present

Mr. Craig Fulwyler, President
Mr. Wayne Wallace, Clerk
Mr. Juan Bernal

Mr. Cruz Rodriguez
Mrs. Patricia Sanchez

Administrators Present

Mrs. Lori Albrecht
Mr. Rob Cobb
Mr. Ben Keller

Mr. Martin Lonza
Mr. Kevin Tallon

Classified Management Present

Mr. Marcos Gamino
Mr. Joe Salazar

Mr. John Yanez

Secretary Present

Mrs. Gracie Saldaña

Visitors

Elizabeth Esnoz, Madison Wedel, Jose Rios, Don Clark

Flag Salute

The flag was saluted.

II. Adopt Agenda

It was moved by Wallace and it was seconded by Bernal to adopt the amended agenda. Motion carried. Ayes: 5; Noes: 0; Absent: 0. Bernal; Aye, Fulwyler; Aye, Rodriguez; Aye, Sanchez; Aye, Wallace; Aye

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 6:15 p.m.

Announcement of Executive Session Actions

None

V. Reading and Approval of Minutes

It was moved by Sanchez and seconded by Rodriguez to approve the minutes of the regular meeting of November 12, 2015. Motion carried. Ayes: 5; Noes: 0; Absent: 0. Bernal; Aye, Fulwyler; Aye, Rodriguez; Aye, Sanchez; Aye, Wallace; Aye

I. Conduct Annual Organizational Meeting with Election of Board Officers

Mr. Fulwyler turned the meeting over to Superintendent Albrecht.

Mrs. Albrecht and student representative Elizabeth Enoz presented a certificate to Mr. Wallace on behalf of the administration, faculty, staff and students in appreciation of his service as Clerk of the Board.

Mrs. Albrecht and student representative Elizabeth Enoz presented a certificate to Mr. Fulwyler on behalf of the administration, faculty, staff and students in appreciation of his service and leadership as President of the Board.

Mrs. Albrecht then reviewed the By Laws of the Board; BP 9121, Board President and the BP 9123, Clerk with the board members.

Mrs. Albrecht asked for nominations for Board President. It was moved by Fulwyler to nominate Mr. Wallace as Board President and seconded by Rodriguez and it was declined by Mr. Wallace. Mr. Wallace nominated Mr. Bernal and seconded by Rodriguez and was declined by Mr. Bernal. Mr. Rodriguez nominated Mrs. Sanchez and was declined by Mrs. Sanchez. Mr. Wallace accepted Mr. Fulwyler's nomination and it was seconded by Mr. Bernal. Motion passed. Ayes: 5; Noes: 0; Absent: 0. Bernal, Aye; Fulwyler, Aye; Rodriguez, Aye; Sanchez, Aye; Wallace, Aye.

Mrs. Albrecht asked for nominations for Clerk of the Board. It was moved by Wallace to nominate Mr. Bernal as Clerk of the Board and seconded by Fulwyler. Motion carried. Ayes: 5; Noes: 0; Absent: 0. Bernal, Aye; Fulwyler, Aye; Rodriguez, Aye; Sanchez, Aye; Wallace, Aye.

Mrs. Albrecht asked for nominations for Trustee Representative. It was moved by Fulwyler and seconded by Wallace to nominate Mrs. Sanchez as Trustee Representative. Motion carried. Ayes: 5; Noes: 0; Absent: 0. Bernal, Aye; Fulwyler, Aye; Rodriguez, Aye; Sanchez, Aye; Wallace, Aye.

It was moved by Wallace and seconded by Fulwyler to designate Superintendent Lori Albrecht as the Authorized Representative. Mrs. Lori Albrecht will continue to be the Secretary of the Board. Motion carried. Ayes: 5; Noes: 0; Absent: 0. Bernal, Aye; Fulwyler, Aye; Rodriguez, Aye; Sanchez, Aye; Wallace, Aye.

It was moved by Wallace and seconded by Sanchez to designate the Board Meetings to begin at 5:30 p.m. for closed session and regular session time to 6:00 p.m. on the second Thursday of the month. Mrs. Albrecht recommended an additional regular meeting on June 8th. There will be no July

meeting and the September Board Meeting will be one week later due the Rose Queen Pageant. Mrs. Albrecht reminded Board members that a Special Meeting in August may be needed to approve new teachers if we are still looking and need to get them in the classroom prior to the beginning of school. Motion carried. Ayes: 5; Noes: 0; Absent: 0. Bernal, Aye; Fulwyler, Aye; Rodriguez, Aye; Sanchez, Aye; Wallace, Aye.

Mrs. Albrecht congratulated Mr. Wallace and Mr. Bernal. The meeting was turned over to President Wallace.

VI. Public Comments

None

VII. Items From Board Members

Mr. Bernal attended the Ag Prep Presentations in the Library. He was impressed with the student research and presentations. They did a great job.

Mr. Wallace asked if we entered into the We the People contest? Mr. Tallon shared we do not have a We the People program. It is something that he and Mr. Keller have been discussing. They are looking into applying for a grant for We the People curriculum and professional development to implement this curriculum in our government classes.

Mrs. Sanchez stated that Sean Grant, the student representative who filled in for Elizabeth last month spoke so well. He spoke eloquently and very professionally, he did a great job. She understands that Sean is involved in FFA and that also plays a big part in the way that he speaks. She believes this is a testament to FFA and what a great program they have in preparing our students for the future. She commended the FFA staff for the wonderful job that they do with our students. Mr. Tallon agreed and shared that the FFA speaking contest this weekend. He also stated the way the students speak is very evident that they have done a lot of work and practice in speaking.

VIII. Reports

Elizabeth Esnoz, student board representative reported the Snowball will be on January 16th. The theme this year is Fairytale Masquerade and it will be held at the Westchester. ASB is collecting coloring books and coloring pencils to deliver to the children in hospitals. ASB is making Christmas ornaments for all staff members.

Mr. Wallace stated the Athletic Director should be commended on all his great coordination of athletic events and his hard work.

Mrs. Sanchez, North Kern Vocational Training Center reported we are going forward with things as is. She shared at the CSBA Conference in San Diego, three board members from McFarland all expressed concerns about North Kern Vocational Training Center. They actually initiated the conversation, it was the first thing they said when they approached her. They felt that the director or direction of NKVTC is very focused on Delano and almost only on Delano and that has been an ongoing concern of theirs. She then stated that she believes the board should not necessarily think as they do but that is how she feels personally. She can't speak for anyone else but she knows when she is sitting there and with the data (that is why she feels the way she does). I understand Delano has more students but even last year, I was told that they would work on this and it is continuing this

year. To hear they are working on it, it doesn't fly anymore. How many times are they going to keep saying this? Not until we finally decide to do something about it or just address it.

Mr. Wallace shared that his understanding is that the state gives each one of the schools money for programs like NKVTC. Mrs. Albrecht stated this the first year that the districts are no longer under the mandated maintenance of effort funding. She explained that because Delano is a much larger school, their maintenance of effort and their student attendance has been larger than the partnering districts. Mrs. Bean would like to get the funding options looked at by an outside entity to find out how can we fund NKVTC to ensure district contributions are reasonable. There should have been annual meetings of the partnering Districts according to the Joint Powers Agreement (JPA) and we are now in a situation where we all need to come to the table and discuss our needs and options. Delano is a big player and if they don't want to participate then they need to come forward and say so. Their decision will determine the actions for rest of the entities involved in this JPA as it will be difficult to run a JPA without the third entity. The funding piece for NKVTC programs is all new. The last time Superintendents met we planned to meet again next semester, however it is hard to plan the master schedule in the spring with so many indecisions. Mrs. Sanchez asked if the staff/administration of solely Wasco High have met to discuss the "what ifs". I know perhaps people don't want to think of it (NKVTC) being eliminated but what if Delano was gone, what are our avenues. Mrs. Albrecht stated that we have talked and there are legalities involved because apparently there has to be three entities in the JPA. We are all hearing rumors of what Delano may or may not do, so it would be nice to know. It is unclear what they are is waiting for, while the rest of the districts are left in limbo to a certain degree with a lot of unnecessary planning either way. Mr. Wallace asked if the money they (the districts) receive can be utilized on their own campus. Mrs. Albrecht stated that is correct. She shared that there are things to consider if we decide to take it on, for example, we cannot hire another administrator. So this would be another program that someone would have to take on in some way, shape or form. If we were to take it on, we have talked about how that might look and it could look very different. The advantage to this JPA partnership is that more high schools participating enable us to offer a greater variety of courses to our students that an individual high school cannot offer. Individual districts do not have the number of student to be able to do that.

Mrs. Sanchez stated that transportation has been a huge obstacle, NKVTC has been around for decades and I am not saying transportation was not an obstacle then but it worked out to be advantageous for everyone. Transportation didn't seem to hinder our students and other students but now it seem to be a constant issue. Our students are no longer getting the best. In the same way that you believed that Russell Prado was a great addition to your administrative team, you said it too, you are training, teaching and nurturing our staff for these roles. Perhaps there is someone in the midst of Wasco High School who can do this job if Wasco has to, in the end take this on ourselves. I don't know if that is what we are going to do but it will be nice to think about so that we are not left without options.

Mrs. Albrecht shared that the number of administrators cannot increase at Wasco High School, there is a cap. Mrs. Sanchez stated that she is not saying it has to be another administrator, but there are people in our midst who can probably take on the role of taking care of NKVTC or a vocational arm of Wasco High School. Even though we may not be able to sustain NKVTC that doesn't mean vocation can't be taught here. She believes everyone here could agree, it is necessary and it is a wonderful program. It would be good if all of our students could benefit from the vocational options.

Mr. Bernal asked if there are other schools that have vocational programs that we could look at. Mrs. Albrecht shared that there is and she could check into that.

1. Mrs. Lori Albrecht, Superintendent introduced Mr. Marcos Gamino who reported on the 2015-2016 First Interim Budget. He reviewed the changes since July 1, estimated ending fund balances, multi-year projections, and multi-year projection reserves.

Mrs. Albrecht then introduced Mr. Robert Cobb who reported on the California Healthy Youth Act (AB 329) and Affirmative Consent (SB 695). He reviewed the new sexual health education requirements; Senate Bill (SB 695) – Affirmative Consent (as of January 1st, it must include sexual harassment, violence and “yes means yes”. Assembly Bill (AB) 329 – CA Healthy Youth Act (required mandated topics; education on STD’s, unintended pregnancies, healthy relationships and marriage, contraception and abstinence, laws on child surrender, and making responsible decisions regarding sexuality). Parent consent is now changing from active to passive. Parents can opt out to all or part of the curriculum. Instruction is required in grades 7 & 8 and again in grades 9 & 12.

Mr. Bernal asked about the SLS newsletter section, “the district may indicate an all or nothing opt out”, is this something that is still up in the air? Mr. Cobb stated that the implementation is still very unclear and believes that because of the lack of curriculum and training it will not be implemented until the 2016/2017 school year. We are awaiting further guidance from CDE and SLS.

Mrs. Albrecht then directed the attention of the board to the BTuff magazine on page 12 regarding the high school auditorium article.

Mrs. Albrecht then reported on the following:

- She was sad to report that Dr. Russell Cherry passed away November 17th. Dr. Cherry taught in the District for over 12 years as a math and independent study teacher at both Wasco High School and Independence High. Memorial services for Dr. Cherry are this Saturday at 1:00 at Westside Family Fellowship. Her thoughts and prayers are with Russ’s family at this time.
- She reported that Mr. Fulwyler forwarded a very nice letter from Mr. Paul Neufeld which was addressed to the NKVTC Board that recognized Mr. John Steward and his construction class for the great work they have done at North Kern Christian School. They have done multiple projects for North Kern Christian School from pouring concrete to cutting up dead trees. Mr. Neufeld also shared that he is a strong supporter of vocational education and that he feels it is valuable and hopes to continue to see it grow.
- The governor is attempting to address the teacher shortage we are experiencing in California. KCSOS Superintendent, Chris Frazier’s opinion in the Californian yesterday highlighted some of the reasons for the shortage. The two main reasons are an aging workforce and the lack of students in teacher preparation program due to the economic downturn we experienced a few years ago. We were asked to participate in a survey asking how many open positions we have. There is also a new credential being considered called the TPSL (temporary permit for statutory leave) that would allow districts to leave a

teacher substitute in a classroom over 30 days if the reason for the absence is due to a statutory leave, in other words, a leave allowed by law.

- Christmas Vacation - Last day of school before Christmas Break is Friday, December 18th. Next week Weds - Friday Wasco High is on finals schedule and students are dismissed at 12:05 during finals.
- The Tiger Parent Club met last Thursday (12/3). The meeting was attended by over 80 parents and topics for the evening included academic counseling services, the Career Center, Attendance, and monitoring grades on Aeries.net. Parents were given opportunity to create an account, to monitor grades, if they had not previously done so.
- Senate Bill (SB) 172 was signed by Governor Brown on October 7, 2015 and suspends the administration of the California High School Exit Examination (CAHSEE) as well as the requirement that students completing grade twelve successfully pass the high school exit examination as a condition of receiving a diploma of graduation from high school for the 2015–16, 2016–17, and 2017–18 school years. The law also requires local educational agencies (LEAs) to grant a diploma of graduation to any student who completed grade twelve in the 2003-04 school year, or a subsequent school year, and has met all applicable graduation requirements other than passing the high school exit examination.
- 9th grade Ag Academy students presented their semester long nutrition projects at the Ag Academy Showcase last week. The projects required students to research and present their findings on the ingredients, cost, and projections related to inflation/deflation in the future.
- She then wished everyone a safe and happy holiday season. Merry Christmas and wonderful New Year.
- Enrollment:
Last Year:
WHS 1546
IHS 186
District 1732
Last Month:
WHS 1619
IHS 193
District 1812
This Week:
WHS 1601
IHS 198
District 1799
This is an increase of 67 student from last year.

IX. Discussion and Action

1. It was moved by Fulwyler and seconded by Rodriguez to approve the Personnel Consent Agenda. Motion carried. Ayes: 5; Noes: 0; Absent: 0. Bernal; Aye, Fulwyler; Aye, Rodriguez; Aye, Sanchez; Aye, Wallace; Aye
 - a. Consider Approval of Certificated Employee(s)

1. Rusvel Prado, Assistant Principal of Student Affairs
- b. Consider Approval of Classified Employee(s)
 1. Inocencio Arredondo Jr, Lead Gardener/Groundsmen
 2. Yvette Torres, Cafeteria Assistant (2 hours)
 3. Classified Substitutes
 - a. Wonderful Education Tutors
 1. Roberto Ramirez Marin
 2. Evelyn Murillo
 - b. Instructional Aide Substitute
 1. Marlen Ocampo
 2. Jessica Raya
 - c. Custodian Substitute
 1. Leticia Juarez-Cruz
 2. Vanessa Martinez
 - d. Cafeteria Substitutes
 2. Emily McCurdy
 3. Beatriz Leyva
- c. Consider Approval of Athletic Coach(es)

Jose Nieto	Girls Soccer	Assistant	JV/Varsity	Walk-On	Volunteer
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2. It was moved by Sanchez and seconded by Rodriguez to approve the First Period Interim Budget Report. Motion carried. Ayes: 5; Noes: 0; Absent: 0. Bernal; Aye, Fulwyler; Aye, Rodriguez; Aye, Sanchez; Aye, Wallace; Aye
3. It was moved by Fulwyler and seconded by Bernal to approve the Assistant Principal Job Description. Motion carried. Ayes: 5; Noes: 0; Absent: 0. Bernal; Aye, Fulwyler; Aye, Rodriguez; Aye, Sanchez; Aye, Wallace; Aye
4. It was moved by Fulwyler and seconded by Bernal to approve the BP 5030 - Student Wellness. Motion carried. Ayes: 5; Noes: 0; Absent: 0. Bernal; Aye, Fulwyler; Aye, Rodriguez; Aye, Sanchez; Aye, Wallace; Aye
5. It was moved by Bernal and seconded by Sanchez to approve the BP/AR 4127 - Temporary Athletic Team Coaches. Motion carried. Ayes: 5; Noes: 0; Absent: 0. Bernal; Aye, Fulwyler; Aye, Rodriguez; Aye, Sanchez; Aye, Wallace; Aye
6. It was moved by Fulwyler and seconded by Wallace to approve Mrs. Sanchez as the Representative to be reappointed to the North Kern Vocational Training Center Board of Directors. Motion carried. Ayes: 5; Noes: 0; Absent: 0. Bernal; Aye, Fulwyler; Aye, Rodriguez; Aye, Sanchez; Aye, Wallace; Aye
7. It was moved by Bernal and seconded by Rodriguez to approve the Interdistrict Transfer Requests. Motion carried. Ayes: 5; Noes: 0; Absent: 0. Bernal; Aye, Fulwyler; Aye, Rodriguez; Aye, Sanchez; Aye, Wallace; Aye

X. Discussion and Information

1. Correspondence from Schools Legal Services regarding New Sexual Health Education Requirement for SB 695 and AB 329

2. Introduction of Single Plan for Student Achievement (SPSA) for Wasco Union High School
3. Introduction of Single Plan for Student Achievement (SPSA) for Wasco Independence High School
4. Correspondence from California School Boards Association regarding the Nominations for CSBA Delegate Assembly

XI. Claims Transfers and Accounts

It was moved by Wallace and seconded by Sanchez to approve the claims, transfers and accounts for Batches 20 through 22 and Payrolls in the amount of \$1,625,364.87. Motion carried. Ayes: 5; Noes: 0; Absent: 0. Bernal; Aye, Fulwyler; Aye, Rodriguez; Aye, Sanchez; Aye, Wallace; Aye

XII. Adjournment

It was moved by Sanchez and seconded by Bernal to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried. Ayes: 5; Noes: 0; Absent: 0. Bernal; Aye, Fulwyler; Aye, Rodriguez; Aye, Sanchez; Aye, Wallace; Aye

Meeting adjourned at 7:26 p.m.