

Wasco Union High School District
Board of Trustees
Regular Board Meeting
Boardroom NKVTC Room 4
February 8, 2018
5:30 p.m.
Adopted Minutes

A regular meeting of the Wasco Union High School District Board of Trustees was called to order at 5:30 p.m. by President Patricia Sanchez.

Board Members Present

Mrs. Patricia Sanchez, President
Mr. Juan Bernal

Mr. Wayne Wallace
Mrs. Sharon Nicol

Board Members Present

Mr. Joel Ackerknecht, Clerk

Administrators Present

Mrs. Lori Albrecht
Mr. Kevin Tallon
Mr. Robert Cobb

Mr. Russ Prado
Mr. Ben Keller

Classified Management Present

Mrs. Griselda Aceves
Mr. Joe Salazar

Mr. John Yanez

Secretary Present

Mrs. Gracie Saldana

Visitors

Daniela Ramos, Anthony Farao, Ryan Absey, Christian Figueroa, Lysol Patino, Luis Yopez, Ashlyn Keller, Frank Nadal, Ricardo Verdoza, Alex Oropeza, Alejandra Tovar, Charline Delgado

Flag Salute

The flag was saluted.

II. Adopt Agenda

It was moved by Wallace and it was seconded by Bernal to adopt the regular agenda. Motion carried. Ayes: 4; Noes: 0; Absent: 1 (Ackerknecht), Bernal; Aye, Nicol; Aye, Sanchez; Aye, Wallace; Aye

III. Public Comments

None

IV. Executive Session

The meeting convened in executive session at 5:31 p.m.

Regular Session

The meeting convened in regular session at 6:18 p.m.

Announcement of Executive Session Actions

None

V. Reading and Approval of Minutes

It was moved by Nicol and seconded by Bernal to approve the minutes from the regular meeting on January 18, 2018. Motion carried. Ayes: 4; Noes: 0; Absent: 1 (Ackerknecht), Bernal; Aye, Nicol; Aye, Sanchez; Aye, Wallace; Aye

VI. Public Comments

Mr. Anthony Farao reported on behalf of the FFA Department. He introduced Christopher Hernandez who received the gold award and the highest award given to a reporter from our section. He was also announced as the South Valley Section Winner. He will now go on to regions. Christopher Hernandez reported that on January 27th we had our speaking contest. We had many participants compete and we had many winners. Tomorrow we have our Donkey Basketball at 7pm. In two weeks we have our National FFA Week. On Feb. 21 we will have our AG Splash in Shafter. Leo Medina, our farm manager, he not only got a star in our section, he's gold and is moving on to region.

VII. Items From Board Members

Nicol: Since our last board meeting I have had the pleasure of attending 4 of the 5 Masters in Governance classes. It has been very informative. It has also been nice attending in Bakersfield. I will say that when I introduce myself or if someone saw my name tag, they would say, "Oh Wasco High School, you have the best administration. You guys are doing great things". It was nice being somewhere and be recognized.

Wallace: I attended a few basketball games and I wanted to complement our principal. He had to leave because he was taking a group of kids to the Chamber of Commerce, riding them down there. I think that was, you know pretty nice, you have, on your time, to be with our students. Thank you very much.

Mr. Tallon: Mr. Ante was as well. This was our fifth time participating in Student Government Days. Next week they will serve as Mock City Council Members.

Wallace: With the literature we get today, this is what they emphasize schools should be doing.

Mr. Tallon: It is such a good experience for our students.

VIII. Reports

1. Daniela Ramos, Student Board Representative reported the ASB and Class Officers will be putting on a Kindness Week, school wide during the month of April. Tomorrow we are hosting our Valentine's Day Rally. It's going to be pink, red, or white if you do attend. We are also going to have students from Thomas Jefferson in attendance. We also attended a conference for ASB and class officers. There were 23 school in attendance, schools from San Luis Obispo to LA attended. Wasco High was awarded the most spirited and best mascot. I would also like to bring up our Keynote Speaker for SBAC Testing. I know that ASB has been requested to promote SBAC testing. We would also like reach out to the board and ask if we can have keynote speakers to come out and help us as well to motivate the students to do good on the test.

Wallace: Is that for ASVAB?

Daniela: SBAC

Wallace: Oh SBAC.

2. Mrs. Patricia Sanchez of North Kern Vocational Training Center reported everything is moving along smoothly.

3 Mrs. Lori Albrecht, Superintendent then reported on the following:

Academic Decathlon - I was the proudest Superintendent ever at last Saturday's Academic Decathlon Super Quiz. After the second round the scorekeepers turned the scores around to the audience and Wasco was only one point behind Stockdale. I understand this happened more than once during that particular competition and although I have already shared this with them they did a spectacular job and should be very proud of their close second place finish.

Mr. Tallon: The 2018 Academic Decathlon team represented Wasco very well. The team took second place to only Stockdale in the Kern County Academic Decathlon competition this past Saturday. Beyond the great achievement, this team did some very special things in carrying on the great tradition of success in Academic Decathlon at Wasco High. Some of their accomplishments include; every member of the team won a medal for the first time. The team broke the Wasco High School record for scoring by almost 5,000 points this year. They took 2nd overall in the super quiz. Lysol Patino scored the most Academic Decathlon points in school history. Ashlyn Keller set a school record for most medals won during her Academic Decathlon career with over twenty medals. This team works very hard throughout the summer and school year to be successful. Congratulations to the Head Coach Ryan Absey, Assistant Coach Katie

Moreno. He then introduced the students on the team: Honors: Christian Figueroa, Lysol Patino, Luis Yepez; Scholastic: Ashlyn Keller, Frank Nadal, Ricardo Verdoza; Varsity: Alex Oropeza, Alejandra Tovar, Charline Delgado.

Mr. Absey: This team again is fantastic. I am a Vikings fan, Bud Grant was always a legendary coach to me and he always said, “You can't have favorite players or favorite teams but you can put together a team”, this team and they are amazing. This group went out and studied all year. They had to test out of our Academic Class of twenty, they became the top nine that were going to represent us and they did great. We did well in the super quiz. In the overall tally of events we came second to Stockdale. They scored a careers best with 44,816. They improved with almost 5000 points, they improved tremendously. Mrs. Albrecht you made the comment there was some picture of them once they their got second place, they were super down and they just looked not thrilled. Turns out they scored enough points, the reason they looked unthrilled was because they lost to Stockdale. They got so close, that they were within striking range and nobody does that. It hasn't happened, it's just crazy. So they looked down but I was like oh my gosh this is so cool. But they qualified for the state competition in March and now they get a second crack at Stockdale. I can't say enough words, they are amazing, and they are great.

Ashlyn Keller then performed her speech for the Board.

Mr. Absey: Ashlyn set the Wasco high record with 21 awards over her four years in academic decathlon.

Wallace: Now you won them, all those this year?

Ashlyn Keller: No, not this year over four years.

Mr. Absey: But she did win twelve this year, so half of those.

Wallace: No wonder you took them off (from around her neck).

Mr. Tallon: So a little more bragging here, Ashlyn set the Wasco High record for the most medals over a period at Wasco High for four years at 21 medals. Lysol set the record for the most points by one Academic Decathlon Member in a year and the team set the record for the most ever team score for our school's history. They are very decorated. Mr. Absey when was the last time Kern County sent two teams to the state competition in Sacramento?

Mr. Absey: Maybe six years, seven years (ago). The last two schools to go were BHS and Stockdale. And this year our team obliterated BHS.

Mrs. Albrecht then presented certificates to Mr. Absey and gave him Mrs. Moreno's certificate for their participation and appreciation.

Mr. Absey: Thank you again for letting us represent Wasco High School. This is a great group, thank you.

Mrs. Albrecht again thanked and congratulated Mr. Absey and the Academic Decathlon Team.

Mrs. Albrecht continued reporting on the following:

Electronic Attendance - We are taking a big step to improve the efficiency in our Student Attendance procedures by moving to a process of Electronic Attendance Verification.

This will allow teachers to verify the accuracy of their attendance records electronically, instead of signing hard copy reports each week. This will significantly reduce the large volume of paper records which we are required to store. We filed the request for APPROVAL this week (with the CDE) and expect approval by the end of the school year. We anticipate implementing this procedure at the beginning of the 2018-2019 school year.

Out of State Teacher Recruitment - We are exploring the possibility of an Out of State Teacher Recruitment trip. Mr. Tallon has been in contact with Kern High who recruits out of state on an annual basis. They have been very helpful sharing their practices. They recommended Michigan because of past successes and shared their plan with us. They'll visit four recruitment fairs in Michigan over the course of four days in April. If we are not successful in filling our math openings in February and March, we may mirror Kern High's trip to Michigan in an effort to find mathematics and science teachers.

We plan to bring you more information at future meetings. It's my understanding that our District recruited from out of state at one time and with the teacher shortage we believe we may need to reinstate this practice.

4/17/2018	Tues.	Teacher Recruitment Fair	Central MI - Finch Fieldhouse	Mt. Pleasant, MI	9:00-3:30
4/18/2018	Weds.	Education Career Fair	W. MI - John T. Bernhard Center	Kalamazoo, MI	9:00-2:30
4/19/2018	Thurs.	Education Job Fair	U of Michigan Union	Ann Arbor, MI	9:00-1:00
4/20/2018	Fri.	Teacher Job Fair	EMU Bowen Fieldhouse	Ypsilanti, MI	9:00-3:00

Possible Bond Measure - We have started gathering community input regarding a possible bond measure in November. The inquiry involves their level of support for three different projects to include a new gym, modernization of facilities, and a swimming complex. We are planning a presentation at our March meeting to share what we have learned. I also expect our financial advisor Lori Ranieri to be a part of that presentation.

Newspaper - We received an email on Wednesday that a new publisher purchased the Wasco Tribune and Shafter Press. The first paper should be published February 14th.

LCAP Parent Meeting - We had about 40 parents attend the LCAP parent meeting on Monday, January 22nd. There is a also an LCAP parent meeting scheduled on Wednesday, March 7th at Independence High. There are several LCAP input meetings on the calendar for other stakeholder groups as well.

Math Course of Study - The first course for the Integrated sequences of courses is in the Discussion and Information section of your packet. If you remember the math department presented the rationale earlier this school year for moving from a traditional program to an Integrated program. Incoming freshmen in the fall will be enrolled in an Integrated math course in place of Algebra I.

Your annual Conflict of Interest Form 700 is at your place. Mrs. Saldaña has shared with each of you your form from last year as well as instructions on how to complete the Form 700 Please complete and return the form to her no later than our March 8th Board Meeting.

Information on candidates running for the Delegate Assembly is at your place. Please review this prior to the March meeting as your candidate selection will be an action item then.

The Annual School Trustees Winter Dinner Meeting (X-3) - Monday, February 26, 2018. If you are interested in attending please let Mrs. Saldaña know your entree selection by Friday, February 16, 2018.

I wanted to give you fair warning that next month Danny Eusebio will be taking the picture for the Yearbook. We will remind you again as we get closer to the March meeting.

Enrollment -

Last Year

WHS 1616

WIHS 171

District 1787

Last Month

WHS 1669

WIHS 147

District 1816

This Week

WHS 1644

WIHS 169

District 1813

Increase of 26 from last year at this time.

Summary of Movement since last month:

- 18 Transferred from WHS to IHS
- 0 Transferred from IHS to WHS
- 3 Moved to Other California Schools
- 1 Moved Out of California
- 2 moved to a private school
- 8 Transferred to Community School
- 0 Transferred to Adult Ed
- 1 Drop Outs
- 1 Graduated

Average End of Month Attendance for January was: 95.1%. This represents a slight decrease of 0.4% in the attendance rate from last month of 95.5%

Average End of Month Tardy Rate for January was 3.69% and there were 19 tardy sweeps. This represents a slight decrease of 0.14% in the tardy rate from last month of 3.83%.

Wallace: Are most of those tardies, are those before school?

Mr. Prado: Yes most of our tardies are first period.

Wallace: Yeah, I see those kids walking late.

Mr. Prado: After that they do a really go job of getting to their classes on time. Tardies are very minimal 2-6 periods.

Wallace: What do you do if they are tardy?

Mr. Prado: If they are caught in the tardy sweep then they have to serve an hour in detention at lunch time or pick up trash. They have options. They can pick up trash for 25 minutes or pick up trash or stay the whole hour in detention.

Wallace: Oh ok, now I understand why I see them picking up trash.

Mr. Prado: Yes, they have options.

Mrs. Albrecht then shared that the marquee has been installed and the student services building tentative grand opening date has been moved to March 9th at 3:15 and official opening of office on March 12th.

IX. Discussion and Action

1. It was moved by Bernal and seconded by Wallace to approve the Consent Agenda. Motion carried. Ayes: 4; Noes: 0; Absent: 1 (Ackerknecht), Bernal; Aye, Nicol; Aye, Sanchez; Aye, Wallace; Aye
 - a. Accept Letter of Resignation from Classified Employee
 1. Ruiz, MaryAnn
 - b. Consider Approval of Classified Employee(s)
 1. Benavides, Angela- Health Clerk
 - c. Consider Approval of Athletic Coach(es)
 1. Barraza, Carlos Baseball Assistant JV Teacher Paid
 2. Moore, Kristian Softball Assistant Frosh Walk-On Paid
 3. Blanchard, Joe Wrestling Assistant Girls Teacher Paid
 4. Girls Wrestling Stipend: Girls Wrestling Team competing 2017-18 season
2. It was moved by Nicol and seconded by Bernal to approve the Resolution No. 1718-04 – Fund 17. Motion carried. Ayes: 4; Noes: 0; Absent: 1 (Ackerknecht), Bernal; Aye, Nicol; Aye, Sanchez; Aye, Wallace; Aye
3. It was moved by Bernal and seconded by Wallace to approve the Instructional Materials – Listenwise for the District. Motion carried. Ayes: 4; Noes: 0; Absent: 1 (Ackerknecht), Bernal; Aye, Nicol; Aye, Sanchez; Aye, Wallace; Aye
4. It was moved by Wallace and seconded by Nicol to approve the SPSA for Wasco High School and Wasco Independence High School. Motion carried. Ayes: 4; Noes: 0; Absent: 1 (Ackerknecht), Bernal; Aye, Nicol; Aye, Sanchez; Aye, Wallace; Aye
5. It was moved by Bernal and seconded by Nicol to approve the Interdistrict Transfer Requests. Motion carried. Ayes: 4; Noes: 0; Absent: 1 (Ackerknecht), Bernal; Aye, Nicol; Aye, Sanchez; Aye, Wallace; Aye
6. It was moved by Wallace and seconded by Bernal to approve the Chaperones. Motion carried. Ayes: 4; Noes: 0; Absent: 1 (Ackerknecht), Bernal; Aye, Nicol; Aye, Sanchez; Aye, Wallace; Aye
7. It was moved by Wallace and seconded by Bernal to approve the Field Trips. Motion carried. Ayes: 4; Noes: 0; Absent: 1 (Ackerknecht), Bernal; Aye, Nicol; Aye, Sanchez; Aye, Wallace; Aye

X. Discussion and Information

1. EdSystems.LLC Mid-Year Report
2. Correspondence from Kern County Superintendent of Schools regarding the Return of First Interim Report
3. Correspondence from Kern County School Boards Association regarding the Annual School Trustee Winter Dinner Meeting

4. Introduction of Course of Study - Integrated Mathematics I for the Math Department
5. Introduction of Instructional Materials - IXL Learning for the Math Department

XI. Claims Transfers and Accounts

It was moved by Nicol and seconded by Bernal to approve the claims, transfers and accounts for Batches 35 through 40 and Payrolls in the amount of \$1,322,880.10. Motion carried. Ayes: 4; Noes: 0; Absent: 1 (Ackerknecht), Bernal; Aye, Nicol; Aye, Sanchez; Aye, Wallace; Aye

XII. Executive Session (cont'd)

None

XIII. Adjournment

It was moved by Wallace seconded by Nicol to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried. Ayes: 4; Noes: 0; Absent: 1 (Ackerknecht), Bernal; Aye, Nicol; Aye, Sanchez; Aye, Wallace; Aye

Meeting adjourned at 6:55 p.m.