

WILLITS UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT

BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Regular Meeting

Blosser Lane School, Cafeteria

1275 Blosser Lane, Willits, California

Wednesday, March 1, 2017

Closed Session- 4:30p.m.

Open Session-5:30p.m.

MINUTES

Public Comments- Individuals may address the Board on regular session agenda items at the time they are under consideration.

1. Call Meeting to Order

Board President Neary called the meeting to order at 4:30 p.m.

2. Agenda Approval

MSP (Bowlds/Croskey) to approve the agenda with the correction to Item 13D on Agenda Analysis, Yard Assistant Positions are being eliminated not reclassified.

Ayes: Neary, Croskey, Bowlds, Carni, Harris

Noes: None

Absent: None

Abstain: None

3. Public Comments on Closed Session Items

Parents spoke on behalf of Special Education Teacher Rachelle Shockley, commenting their children have excelled with her as their teacher. Paula Nunez commented that School Administrators and BTSA Mentors have a responsibility to support new teachers. Board President Neary thanked all who spoke.

4. Recess to Closed Session

Board President Neary recessed to closed session at 4:51 p.m.

5. Reconvene to Open Session

Board President Neary reconvened to open session at 5:35 p.m.

6. Report out of Closed Session

A second closed session will be added to end of meeting to discuss items further, no action taken at this time.

7. Flag Salute

Board Member Harris led the flag salute.

8. Information

A. WHS Winter Sports Athletics Recognition

Coach Paul Riley presented WHS Varsity Girls Basketball Team. Commended for a winning season, Senior, Chanel Alexander had 1050 points in her career as a player. Coach Riley thanked Superintendent Westerburg for his support.

Coach Brian Bowles and Mike Colvig presented WHS Wrestling Team. The team won dual championships : CMC League Championship and North Coast Section Championship Superintendent Westerburg commended the team on skills and praised the coaches.

9. WTA Comments

John Haschak advised tomorrow is Dr. Seuss's birthday, Read across America will take place for the district on March 9, 2017 and invited board members to come read to students at the school sites. John reported that teachers do not want to lose the early dismissal- teacher collaboration work day, emphasizing afternoons are better than late start mornings. He also reported that there have been 2 sessions of WTA negotiations and feels it is not going well regarding salary schedule.

10. CSEA Comments:

Dan Green reported CSEA negotiations were complete, issues were resolved and thanked the District on behalf of CSEA.

He invited board members to tag along a classified employee on May 21, 2017: more information to follow.

11. Superintendent Comments

Superintendent Westerburg advised that he completed an application for a hybrid school bus and was hopeful to receive the grant. If the grant is received he would like to see the district purchase vans. CSEA negotiations went very well. Fencing repairs are happening at Willits High School and is looking to improve the curb appeal of the WHS campus, further stating that all our facilities need improvements. Regarding early dismissal Tuesday's, he is meeting with administrators to discuss it further, stating the loss of instructional time needs to show value and is looking at options.

12. Board Comments

Board Member Harris- no comment

Board Member Bowlds- no comment

Board Member Carni- no comment

Board Clerk Croskey- no comment

Board President Neary commented that he was happy to be here at the Blosser Lance School facility, he likes this school site.

13. Action Discussion

A. Public Comments on Consent Agenda Items

No comments were received

B. Consent Agenda

The consent agenda included the following items: Approval of Minutes from the Regular Meeting held on February 1, 2017, Warrant Registers from January 26, 2017 through February 16, 2017, Approval of Employee Status Changes (4), Second Reading and Final Approval of BP 0410, Nondiscrimination in District Programs and Activities, Second Reading and Final Approval of BP 4151,4251,4351, Employee Compensation, Second Reading and Final Approval of BP/AR 4157.1,4257.1,4357.1, Work Related Injuries, Second Reading and Final Approval of AR 5125.3, Challenging Student Records, Second Reading and Final Approval AR 5148, Child Care Development, Second Reading and Final Approval AR 5148.3, Preschool/Early Childhood Education, Second Read and Final Approval AR 6143, Courses of Study, Second Read and Final Approval BP/AR 6173, Education for Homeless Children, Second Read and Final Approval E (1) 9323.2, Actions by the Board, Second Read and Final Approval BP 3470, Debt Issuance Management.

MSP (Bowlds/Carni) to approve the consent agenda as presented

Ayes: Neary, Croskey, Bowlds, Carni, Harris

Noes: None

Absent: None

Abstain: None

C. *Approval of Agreement of Transfer of Facilities

MSP (Neary/Bowlds) to approve the Agreement of Transfer of Facilities as presented.

Ayes: Neary, Croskey, Bowlds, Carni, Harris

Noes: None

Absent: None

Abstain: None

President Neary stated his dislike for the word derelict on map (Exhibit A) in relation to Northwestern Pacific Railroad.

D. *Approval of Resolution 2016/17-11: Elimination/Reduction of Certain Positions, Classified Service

MSP (Bowlds/Neary) to approve Resolution 2016/17-11: Elimination/Reduction of Certain Positions, Classified Service.

ROLL CALL VOTE

Ayes: Neary, Croskey, Bowlds, Carni, Harris

Noes: None

Absent: None

Abstain: None

Superintendent Westerburg advised the Elementary Counseling Grant (ECG) has ended, thus eliminating the two positions, ECG Coordinator and Social Worker. The two yard positions at Willits High School are also being eliminated due to the cameras being installed and the school will be better served with additional personnel in maintenance and custodial. A discussion took place about eliminating the positions and the need for additional supervision at other school sites.

E. *Approval of Resolution 2016/17-12: Staywell Health Plan JPA

MSP (Carni/Croskey) to approve Resolution 2016/17-12: Staywell Health Plan JPA.

ROLL CALL VOTE

Ayes: Neary, Croskey, Bowlds, Carni, Harris

Noes: None

Absent: None

Abstain: None

Neary asked if this is the best option for our district to stay in this consortium, a discussion took place. Supt Westerburg advised Staywell is the best option, good insurance at good rates.

F. *Approval of Shared Facilities Agreement with City of Willits, Tennis Courts

MSP (Bowlds/Croskey) to approve Shared Facilities Agreement with City of Willits, Tennis Courts as presented.

Ayes: Neary, Croskey, Bowlds, Carni, Harris

Noes: None

Absent: None

Abstain: None

14. Public Comments for Items Not on the Agenda

Lisa Mey asked the board to consider more counseling positions for our students due to loss of ECG. Blosser Lane also needs more yard duty. Tuesdays are important to Cindy Flowers. John Haschak would like to see Public Comments earlier in the agenda. Dan Green advised the repairs to the solar panels in the parking lot at Blosser Lane School will begin next week. A discussion took place about short Tuesday and collaboration time for teachers.

15. Items for the Next Regular Board Agenda

16. Recess to Closed Session

President Neary recessed to closed session at 6:40 p.m.

17. Reconvene to Open Session

President Neary reconvened to open session at 7:45 p.m.

18. Report out of Closed Session

A. Consideration of Request to Use Sick Leave for Family Care(1) (G.C. 54957)

MSP (Bowlds/Neary) to approve the sick leave for family care as presented.

Ayes: Neary, Croskey, Bowlds, Carni, Harris

Noes: None

Absent: None

Abstain: None

B. Consideration of Leave of Absence Request (1) Classified (G.C. 54957)

MSP (Bowlds/Neary) to approve the leave absence as presented.

Ayes: Neary, Croskey, Bowlds, Carni, Harris

Noes: None

Absent: None

Abstain: None

C. Public Employee Discipline/Dismissal/Release/Reassign (G.C. 55957)

MSP (Bowlds/Neary) to approve Resolution 2016/17-9 Non-Reelection of Probationary Certificated Employees.

ROLL CALL VOTE

Ayes: Neary, Croskey, Bowlds, Carni
Noes: Harris
Absent: None
Abstain: None

MSP (Neary/Carni) to approve Resolution 2016/17-10, Notification of Non-Reemployment/Possible Reassignment as Certificated Administrative Employee.

ROLL CALL VOTE

Ayes: Neary, Croskey, Bowlds, Carni, Harris
Noes: None
Absent: None
Abstain: None

D. Labor negotiations: WTA, Classified, Confidential, and District Rep. Superintendent (*G.C. 54957.6*)
Nothing to report

19. Adjournment

MSP (Bowlds/Carni) to adjourn at 7:50 p.m.

Ayes: Neary, Croskey, Bowlds, Carni, Harris
Noes: None
Absent: None
Abstain: None

Mark Westerburg, Superintendent

Georganne Croskey, Board Clerk