



**Minutes from the Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors
Monday, September 12, 2016**

The Board of Directors held a Regular Board Meeting on Monday, September 12, 2016. The meeting began at 6 p.m. and was held at the Mead School District Administration Office. Directors Farley, Denholm, Olson, Green and Burchard were present. Also attending were Superintendent Tom Rockefeller, Assistant Superintendents Wayne Leonard, Ralph Thayer, Pam Veltri and Susana Reyes and Executive Directors Jared Hoadley and Kevin Peterson. Executive Director Heather Havens was excused.

Note: Prior to the official start of the meeting Director Farley asked the other board members if they had any objection to having the meeting video taped by a Whitworth business administration student for a class project. There were no objections with the understanding the video would be shown in the classroom setting only.

I. Approval of Agenda

Director Green made a motion to approve the agenda, as presented. Director Denholm seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

II. Approval of Minutes

Director Denholm made a motion to approve the minutes of the Regular Board Meeting of August 24, 2016, as presented. Director Olson seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

III. Remarks for the Good of the Schools

ASB President Belle Miller presented a brief review of the academic, athletic, leadership and music events recently completed and upcoming at Mead High School. School pictures were taken on September 9th, the Mead vs Mt. Spokane volleyball match takes place at Mead High on September 29th and *Battle of the Bell* is Friday, September 30th. The Mead High School *Battle of the Bell* theme is "Let Freedom Ring." *Battle of the Bell* tee shirts have been designed and are currently being sold at all Mead High feeder schools. Open House will be Wednesday, September 21st and Homecoming is October 7th.

Ms. Miller, who helped with the September 10th *Cat Scramble Golf Tournament*, reported 132 golfers participated. Proceeds from this community fundraiser are split equally between the Mead High and Mt. Spokane Athletic Booster Clubs.

Director Olson positively commented on the newly refinished gym floor at Mead High.

IV. Continuing Business

**A. Third Reading Policy & Procedure 3246 Revision
Restraint, Isolation and Other Uses of Reasonable Force**

Special Services Assistant Superintendent Susana Reyes presented a revision to Policy and Procedure 3246, Restraint, Isolation and Other Uses of Reasonable Force, for third reading consideration. The policy and procedure were last revised on December 14, 2015. The presented revisions will update both the policy and procedure to comply with new state regulations.

The policy revision includes the addition of a WAC reference and the requirement of an annual report to the school board on incidents of restraint and/or isolation. To comply with new state regulations the third paragraph of the current policy has been deleted.

The procedure revision includes the addition of several sections providing more details about appropriate practices for the use of restraint, isolation and other uses of reasonable force as set forth in the new state regulations.

WSSDA Sample Policy and Procedure 3246 were used as templates for the proposed revisions.

No first or second reading changes were recommended.

Director Olson made a motion to approve the revisions to Policy & Procedure 3246, Restraint, Isolation and Other Uses of Reasonable Force, as presented. Director Green seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

B. Riverpoint Academy Laptop Loan Agreement

Technology/CTE Director Doug Edmonson presented a Laptop Loan Agreement for Riverpoint Academy students for board consideration. On August 24, 2016, the Mead School District Board of Directors approved a computer fee of \$200 per year for Riverpoint Academy students and requested a sample computer loan agreement be brought back for board review/approval. The presented draft agreement outlines the student/parent responsibility in the event the assigned computer is damaged, lost or stolen.

Discussion included a question regarding leeway to make exceptions to the agreement on a case-by-case basis (i.e. McKinney Vento students) and the need for sensitivity in handling financial hardship situations. It was recommended the second sentence be changed to read "full financial responsibility" rather than simply "full responsibility" and it was also recommended the district look into offering a low-cost insurance option for students/families who do not have coverage for damage, loss or theft of a district computer.

With the understanding the aforementioned recommendations will be incorporated into the final document, Director Burchard made a motion to approve the Riverpoint Academy Laptop Loan Agreement. Director Denholm seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

VI. New Business

A. Consent Agendas A, B & C

Referencing Consent Agenda A, Human Services Assistant Superintendent Ralph Thayer voiced his support for the presented Leave for the Good of the District.

Director Denholm made a motion to approve Consent Agenda A, as presented. Director Olson seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

Director Olson made a motion to approve Consent Agenda B, as presented. Director Denholm seconded the motion. The motion carried. Director Green abstained from the vote.

Director Green made a motion to approve Consent Agenda C, as presented. Director Burchard seconded the motion. The motion carried. Director Olson abstained from the vote.

Director Farley explained Consent Agenda B contains approval of items for a family member of Director Green and Consent Agenda C contains approval of an item for a family member of Director Olson.

B. Resolution 16-16

New-In-Lieu Replacement Option for Midway Elementary

Facilities and Planning Director Ned Wendle presented Resolution 16-16, New-In-Lieu Replacement Option for Midway Elementary, for board consideration. The modernization and replacement of certain portions of Midway Elementary School is one of the three flagship projects of the 2015-2021 Capital Facilities Plan approved by voters in February 2015.

51,066 square feet of the existing Midway building are eligible for replacement or modernization. Plans call for a 1,303 square foot covered play area and a 205 square foot portion of the existing building to be replaced in-lieu-of modernization. The remaining eligible area (49,558 square feet) of the existing school building will be modernized.

Resolution 16-16 states the portions of Midway to be replaced will be demolished and will not be used for permanent instructional purposes once the project is completed.

The Midway project includes turning the covered play area into a second gym and the construction of three additional classrooms.

Director Olson made a motion to adopt Resolution 16-16, New-In-Lieu Replacement Option for Midway Elementary, as presented. Director Denholm seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

VI. Reports

A. Learning Services Report – State Test Scores

Learning Services Assistant Director Mark St.Clair presented a report on how Mead School District students performed on English Language Arts (grades 3-8 and 11) and Math (grades 3-8) Smarter Balanced assessments, MSP Science assessment (grades 5 and 8) and the high school Biology End-of-Course assessment, which were taken last spring. Using a PowerPoint presentation, results were graphically illustrated showing the average score for each district school and comparing the Mead School District as a whole to the state average and other school districts in the Spokane region.

In all tested areas the Mead School District exceeded the state average by several percentage points. For the English Language Arts Smarter Balanced Assessment Composite (grades 3-8) the Mead School District had the second highest pass rate in the region (71.4%). The highest pass rate was 72.3%. For the Math Smarter Balanced Assessment Composite (grades 3-8) the Mead School District had the highest regional pass rate, which was 69.1%. The next closest score was 64.3%.

Discussion included the percentage of current 12th grade students who still need to pass the high school English Language Arts Smarter Balanced Assessment. Mr. St.Clair explained the many options available for these students to meet standard, which include additional test opportunities and/or the submission of a Collection of Evidence (COE).

B. Prairie View 6th Grade Report

Learning Services Executive Director Dr. Kevin Peterson provided an update on how things are going for Prairie View 6th grade students and teachers after their first week on the Northwood campus. Overall the transition has been very smooth. The new sidewalks were finished before the first day of school and look great.

One area of expressed concern is the longer than anticipated bus ride. The district is looking at ways to decrease ride time and many parents have formed car pools. The hiring of a library teacher and math support teacher will take place very soon. District librarian Trish Henry has been filling in until the library position is filled. There are currently 112 6th grade students.

Regarding Northwood site work, Superintendent Rockefeller reported work is on schedule and that physical education teachers are holding classes outside on the new fields.

C. Superintendent's Report and Discussion Items

Superintendent Rockefeller reminded the *Cat Scramble* check will be presented on the field prior to the start of the September 30th *Battle of the Bell* football game and the Mead High vs Mt. Spokane volleyball match will be at Mead High on September 29th. Regarding the *Cat Scramble*, he thanked co-chairs Joanie Pringle-Jones and Renee Fine, reporting he understands the event will result in a record donation to the Mead High and Mt. Spokane athletic programs. He plans to extend an invitation to Ms. Jones and Ms. Fine to attend an upcoming board meeting so they can be thanked publicly for their service.

The "Show and Shine" Car Show, organized by Student Services Executive Director Jared Hoadley, took place September 10th at Mt. Spokane High School with more than 70 cars on display. Superintendent Rockefeller and the board expressed their appreciation to Dr. Hoadley for spearheading this annual event, which is designed to engage members of the Mead Community who might not otherwise attend school district functions.

VII. Executive Session

At 6:40 p.m. Director Farley called for an Executive Session of approximately 30 minutes for the purpose of reviewing the performance of a public employee.

At 7:15 p.m. Director Farley returned the meeting to Open Session. No other business was discussed and no action was taken.

VIII. Adjourn

The meeting was immediately adjourned at 7:15 p.m.

President

Secretary