



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

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

**I. Approval of Agenda**

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

**II. Approval of Minutes**

Director Green made a motion to approve the minutes of the Regular Board Meeting of November 28, 2016, as presented. Director Olson seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

**III. Remarks for the Good of the Schools**

Technology/CTE Director Doug Edmonson reported that, thanks to funding provided by STCU, ESD 101 has just released the first in a series of videos featuring past Teachers of the Year. He played this first video, which showcases Northwood science teacher Dave Gamon who was the 2009 ESD 101 Teacher of the Year. Mr. Edmonson explained he is exploring ways to share Mead School District stories using short videos similar to the one about Mr. Gamon. Regarding the December 9<sup>th</sup> Mobius in the Middle STEM Forward Tour event, Mr. Edmonson reported it was a very successful activity attended by approximately 140 7<sup>th</sup>-8<sup>th</sup> grade students and their parents.

ASB President Belle Miller presented a brief review of the academic, athletic, leadership and music events recently completed and upcoming at Mead High School. A record breaking crowd attended the annual December Eggnog Evening, winter play auditions are in process and students are currently participating in Spirit Week activities in preparation for the annual Mead vs. Mt. Spokane Catmania basketball games, which will be played on December 17. In closing Ms. Miller, who just celebrated her 18<sup>th</sup> birthday, shared the following life lesson having to do with winter driving . . . "Ice is still ice no matter how slow you go."

Director Denholm positively commented on the many wonderful holiday music concerts taking place during the month of December.

**IV. Continuing Business - none**

**V. New Business**

**A. Consent Agendas A & B**

Human Services Assistant Superintendent Ralph Thayer referenced the revised/redrafted transportation employee "Leave without Pay" letter (the original request did not receive board approval on November 28, 2016) and indicated his support for all items as presented in both Consent Agenda A and Consent Agenda B. Regarding Leave without Pay requests, Director Green and Director Olson commended looking for ways to be creative/flexible and still

maintain the good progress the district has made in establishing and upholding Leave without Pay parameters.

Director Green 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 Burchard seconded the motion. The motion carried. Director Green abstained from the vote.

**B. Student Travel Proposal  
Mead High School ASB Students**

Student Services Executive Director Jared Hoadley presented for board consideration a travel request from Mead High ASB students and chaperones Peter Smith (student teacher) and Randy Mickelsen (ASB teacher/advisor) to travel to Denver, Colorado, April 6-11, 2017. Mead High ASB students have been invited to assist Douglas County High School put on a Leadership Camp patterned after the camp Mead High has conducted for more than 25 years.

The opportunity to be considered for the trip was presented to the entire Mead High ASB class and 15 students stepped forward. Students will travel with Mr. Smith and Mr. Mickelsen. The estimated parent/student cost is \$350 for airfare. Mr. Smith and Mr. Mickelsen will cover their own airfare. Students will miss two days of school.

Director Burchard made a motion to approve the Mead High ASB trip to Denver, Colorado, April 6-11, 2017, to assist with the Douglas County High School Leadership Camp, as presented. Director Green seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

**C. Resolution 16-21  
Transportation Vehicle Fund Transfer**

Business Services Assistant Superintendent Wayne Leonard presented Resolution 16-21, Transportation Vehicle Fund Transfer, for board consideration. The 2016-17 budget adopted by resolution on August 24, 2016, indicated there would be a transfer of \$400,000 from the General Fund to the Transportation Vehicle Fund for the purchase of school buses. Adoption of Resolution 16-21 authorizes the actual transfer of these funds.

Director Green made a motion to adopt Resolution 16-21, Transportation Vehicle Fund Transfer, as presented. Director Olson seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

**VI. Reports**

**A. Learning Services Report**

Learning Services Executive Director Kevin Peterson reported on the following topics:

**Co-Curricular Study** - Assistant Superintendents Ralph Thayer (Human Services), Pam Veltri (Learning Services) and Wayne Leonard (Business Services) along with Executive Directors Jared Hoadley (Student Services) and Kevin Peterson (Learning Services) are involved in a comprehensive study of co-curricular programs in the Mead School District. The initial emphasis is on music programs and the study will later be expanded to other co-curricular areas.

**Core 24** - Mr. Peterson is working with high school and middle school principals exploring current and potential middle school courses that could be included on a high school transcript. In addition to looking at middle school options a high school committee will be looking at other ways to provide additional credit opportunities for students (Class of 2020 and beyond) who will need 24 credits to graduate. Under consideration are on-line classes and the possibility of lengthening the high school day from six class periods to seven.

**6-8 Grade Middle School Configuration** - A committee will start work this spring on a plan to move from a 7-8 grade to a 6-8 grade middle school model.

**B. Superintendent's Report and Discussion Items**

Superintendent Rockefeller had nothing additional to report.

**VII. Executive Session**

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

At 7:00 p.m. Director Denholm returned the meeting to Open Session. No other business was discussed and no action was taken.

**VIII. Adjourn**

The meeting was immediately adjourned at 7:00 p.m.

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**President**

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**Secretary**