



**Minutes from the Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors
Monday, November 19, 2018**

The Board of Directors held a Regular Board Meeting on Monday, November 19, 2018. The meeting began at 6 p.m. and was held at the Mead School District Administration Office. Directors Denholm, Green, Olson, Burchard and Farley were present. Also attending were Superintendent Tom Rockefeller and Assistant Superintendents Wayne Leonard, Ralph Thayer, Kevin Peterson and Heather Havens. Assistant Superintendent Jared Hoadley was excused.

I. Approval of Agenda

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

II. Approval of Minutes

Director Olson made a motion to approve the minutes of the Regular Board Meeting of November 5, 2018, as presented. Director Farley seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

III. Remarks for the Good of the Schools

ASB President Katie Hagel presented a brief review of the academic, athletic, leadership and music events recently completed and upcoming at Mead High School. The fall play *Flowers for Algernon* just completed a very successful run, 120 students attended Fall Leadership Camp, both jazz choir and jazz band have concerts the week of November 19, Eggnog Evening auditions will take place soon and students who want to run for a 2019-20 ASB office are completing the required paperwork. Ms. Hagel concluded her report with a fall sports recap.

Director Farley congratulated Mt. Spokane on earning the 3A Volleyball State Championship. This is the first volleyball state title for the Wildcats.

Several PSE (para-educator union) members were in attendance. Speaking on behalf of the group a representative from the state PSE office urged the Mead School District to bargain in good faith and provide the 300 local members with a living wage. Also addressing the board was Christina Salstrom, who works for the district as a pre-school DLC para. She talked about the positive effect paras have on students and shared how her own 11th grade special needs son has been “impacted for good” by the para-educators who have worked with him over the years.

IV. Continuing Business - none

VI. New Business

A. Consent Agenda

Director Burchard made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda, as presented. Director Green seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

B. Resolution 18-19

Certification of 2019 Excess Property Taxes

Business Services Assistant Superintendent Wayne Leonard presented Resolution 18-19, Certification of 2019 Excess Property Taxes, for board consideration. RCW 84.52.020 requires school districts to certify their levies to the county legislative authority by the 30th day of November.

During budget preparation an estimated levy amount was used based on the new limitation of \$1.50 per thousand of last year's assessed valuation. Current law requires certification of the levy before 2019 assessed values are known. The presented certification resolution allows the Assessor's Office to adjust the actual levy to the maximum, or the voter approved amount, whichever is less.

Director Olson made a motion to adopt Resolution 18-19, Certification of 2019 Excess Property Taxes, as presented. Director Farley seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

**C. Resolution 18-20
Educational Specifications for Transportation Cooperative Project**

Facilities & Planning Executive Director Ned Wendle presented Resolution 18-20, Educational Specifications for Transportation Cooperative Project, for board consideration.

A part of the OSPI D-5 construction application for the district's new Transportation Cooperative is a resolution affirming the Educational Specifications for the project are approved. ALSC Architects of Spokane prepared the Educational Specifications, which have been reviewed by district representatives.

Director Olson made a motion to adopt Resolution 18-20, Educational Specifications for Transportation Cooperative Project, as presented. Director Green seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

**D. Resolution 18-21
Educational Specifications for New Five Mile Prairie Middle School**

Facilities & Planning Executive Director Ned Wendle presented Resolution 18-21, Educational Specifications for New Five Mile Prairie Middle School, for board consideration.

A part of the OSPI D-5 construction application for the district's new middle school is a resolution affirming the Educational Specifications for the project are approved. ALSC Architects of Spokane prepared the Educational Specifications, which have been reviewed by district representatives.

Director Burchard made a motion to adopt Resolution 18-21, Educational Specifications for New Five Mile Prairie Middle School, as presented. Director Olson seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

**E. Resolution 18-22
New Five Mile Prairie Middle School Will Not Create or Aggravate a Racial Imbalance**

Facilities & Planning Executive Director Ned Wendle presented Resolution 18-22, New Five Mile Prairie Middle School Will Not Create or Aggravate a Racial Imbalance, for board consideration.

A part of the OSPI D-5 construction application for the district's new middle school is a resolution affirming the project will not create or aggravate racial imbalance within the boundaries of the Mead School District.

Director Green made a motion to adopt Resolution 18-22, New Five Mile Prairie Middle School Will Not Create or Aggravate a Racial Imbalance, as presented. Director Burchard seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

**F. Contract/Bargaining Agreement
Mead Association of Educational Office Personnel**

Human Services Assistant Superintendent Ralph Thayer reported that the Mead Association of Educational Office Personnel and the Mead School District have reached a tentative wage opener agreement. The association has ratified this tentative agreement. Prior to recommending the board approve the tentative agreement Mr. Thayer provided a brief overview of the agreed upon contract changes and thanked both bargaining teams for their work.

Director Olson made a motion to approve the tentative wage opener agreement between the Mead Association of Educational Office Personnel and the Mead School District, as presented. Director Farley seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

G. Whitworth Water District Easement

Facilities & Planning Executive Director Ned Wendle presented a request from Whitworth Water District for a 15-foot permanent easement, plus a 15-foot temporary construction easement, on Mead High School's north property line. The district's attorney has reviewed the easement language. Director Burchard inquired about having Whitworth Water cover the district's attorney fee and Mr. Wendle indicated he would ask for that.

Director Farley made a motion to approve the 15-foot permanent easement, plus 15-foot temporary construction easement, on Mead High School's north property line, as presented. Director Burchard seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

H. Reschedule December 10, 2018, School Board Meeting

In order to allow board members to attend the Mead High Holiday Choir Concert downtown at the Fox Theatre on the evening of December 10, 2018, Director Green made a motion to reschedule the December 10 board meeting to December 11, 2018, starting at noon. Director Olson seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

VI. Reports

A. September & October 2018 Financial Report

Business Services Assistant Superintendent Wayne Leonard presented a brief financial report for September 2018 and October 2018. Of note is the district's continuing strong enrollment, the need to prepare financially for the opening of two new schools in the fall of 2020 and the fact that levy dollars will decrease starting in 2019.

B. Special Services Report

Special Services Assistant Superintendent Kevin Peterson first presented the department's annual Isolation & Restraint Report. This report was divided into two parts - restraints and isolations - and included number of incidents, overall students, students with IEPs, students with 504 Plans, injuries to students as a result of the restraint or isolation, as well as the number of staff injuries.

Assisting Dr. Peterson with the second part of the report were Associate Executive Director Suzanne McKibbin and Director Andrea Staton. Topics covered included:

- Department Overview (including number of students served and staffing levels)
- Compass Program
- Preschool Program
- DLC Program
- 2018 ESSA Data for students with IEPs

C. Learning Services Report

Learning Services Assistant Superintendent Heather Havens shared information on Professional Learning Communities and the need for additional time, especially at the secondary level, for teachers and school administrators to collaborate as they work to support all students. At secondary schools the Mead School District has 375 minutes of instructional time each day, which is low when compared to other school districts in the Spokane region. Mead is also the only area school district that does not have regularly scheduled late start/early release days to allow for staff collaboration.

Ms. Havens presented an idea to provide regular collaboration time at the secondary level for board consideration. The plan adds ten minutes to the instructional day four days a week. The fifth day would be a 30-minute late start day allowing for expanded staff collaboration on that day. Ms. Havens asked the board for direction on whether or not Learning Services should pursue working with other stakeholders (i.e. Mead Education Association & Transportation Department) to determine plan feasibility.

Following discussion, it was the recommendation of the board that a work session be scheduled to discuss the proposal in more detail.

D. Superintendent's Report & Discussion Items

Superintendent Rockefeller shared a list of upcoming Holiday Concerts.

VII. Executive Session

At 7:25 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 8:00 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 8:00 p.m.

President

Secretary