



**Minutes from the Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors  
Tuesday, December 11, 2018**

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The Board of Directors held a Regular Board Meeting on Tuesday, December 11, 2018. The meeting began at noon 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, Kevin Peterson, Jared Hoadley and Heather Havens. Assistant Superintendent Ralph Thayer 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 Burchard made a motion to approve the minutes of the Regular Board Meeting of November 19, 2018, as presented. Director Farley seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

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

Director Green positively commented on the school orchestra, band and choir concerts she has attended this holiday season, specifically referencing the amazing musical talent of Mead School District students.

Director Burchard commented on the upcoming (December 15) *Pack the Palace* rivalry basketballs between Mead High and Mt. Spokane.

**IV. Continuing Business - none**

**V. New Business**

**A. Consent Agenda**

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

**B. Student Travel Proposal  
Mead High Jazz Band**

Student Services Assistant Superintendent Jared Hoadley presented for board consideration a request from the Mead High School Jazz Band to travel to Fullerton, California, to participate in the West Coast Regional Evaluation of Jazz Performance, April 11-14, 2019.

It is anticipated 20 students and adult chaperones will make the trip, along with band instructors Rob Lewis and Brandon Campbell. The estimated parent/student cost is \$1,121 and multiple fundraising opportunities are available to help offset some, or up to all, of the cost of the trip. Rob Lewis was in attendance to answer board questions and provide additional insight into the benefits of the trip.

Following discussion, Director Farley made a motion to approve the Mead High School Jazz Band trip to Fullerton, California, April 11-14, 2019, to participate in the West Coast Regional Evaluation of Jazz Performance. Director Green seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

### **C. Resignation of Ron Farley – Director District #4**

Ron Farley, who has served on the Mead School District Board of Directors for the past 19.5 years representing Director District #4, submitted his resignation effective at the end of the evening's board meeting. Director Farley explained that he and his wife Alison, long-time residents of Five Mile Prairie, are in the process of selling their home, which means in the very near future they will no longer be living in District #4 and per board policy he will be legally unable to hold a position on the school board.

Director Olson offered his sincere thanks to Director Farley indicating it has been an honor to serve with him for the past 19.5 years. Director Olson referred to Director Farley as “the backbone of the board” with wisdom beyond reproach. He additionally noted that Director Farley, during his tenure on the board, served as the board president for eleven consecutive years.

Directors Green, Burchard and Denholm each added their personal, heartfelt thanks to Director Farley for his service to the Mead School District, noting his wisdom and the many areas of expertise he has brought to the board. It was the consensus of all that Director Farley will be greatly missed.

Director Olson made a motion to accept the resignation of Director Farley effective at the conclusion of the December 11, 2018, meeting. Director Green seconded the motion. The motion carried (Director Farley abstained).

## **VI. Reports**

### **A. Learning Services Report**

Learning Services Associate Executive Director Rob Haugen, Learning Services Assistant Superintendent Heather Havens and Special Services Associate Executive Director Suzanne McKibbon shared information on the district's MTSS (Multi-Tiered System of Supports) initiative. The presentation included guiding principles and an explanation of the four essential components of MTSS.

Ms. McKibbon shared how MTSS can help students who, for a variety of reasons have not completed paperwork to qualify for special education services, be successful and not fall further and further behind academically. Mr. Haugen expressed his belief that there is staff buy-in and excitement about the district's MTSS initiative.

### **B. Superintendent's Report & Discussion Items**

Superintendent Rockefeller asked that board members let his office know of upcoming holiday concerts they plan to attend.

## **VII. Executive Session**

At 12:45 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 1:15 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 1:15 p.m.

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President

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Secretary