



**Minutes from the Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors  
Monday, June 10, 2019**

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The Board of Directors held a Regular Board Meeting on Monday, June 10, 2019. The meeting began at 6 pm and was held at the Mead School District Administration Office. Directors Green, Burchard, Olson, Denholm and Wylder were present. Also attending were Superintendent Tom Rockefeller and Assistant Superintendents Ralph Thayer, Wayne Leonard, Jared Hoadley and Heather Havens. Assistant Superintendent Kevin Peterson was excused.

**I. Approval of Agenda**

Director Burchard made a motion to approve the agenda, as presented. Director Denholm 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 May 20, 2019, and Special Board Meetings of May 21, 2019, and May 23, 2019, as presented. Director Wylder seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

**III. Retiree Recognition**

Human Services Assistant Superintendent Ralph Thayer introduced and presented a *Certificate of Appreciation* to the 14 retirees who were in attendance. To date, there are 45 individuals retiring from the Mead School District. Each board member extended congratulations, thanks and best wishes to the following men and women who represent a combined 1,119 years of service to the Mead School District:

**Deanna Bland** (Admin Assistant, Brentwood, 36 years), **Rick Brazee** (Custodian, Mt. Spokane, 40.5 years), **Debra Chimienti** (Cook, Northwood, 29 years), **Cindy Collins** (Admin Assistant, Brentwood, 19 years), **Karen Cresi** (Cook, Mountainside, 8.5 years), **Jeff Dailing** (Custodian, 32.5 years), **Ramona Degnan** (Transportation, 9 years), **Mary Duffey** (Para Educator, Brentwood, 30 years), **Ted Farr** (Teacher, Northwood, 17 years), **Elizabeth Fish** (Admin Assistant, Meadow Ridge, 29 years), **George Fisher** (Custodian, 3 years), **Sharon Franklin** (Custodian, 31 years), **Deb Freeman** (Assistant Principal, Mountainside, 26 years), **Debra Greenman** (Teacher, Evergreen, 18 years), **Lynn Harding** (Educational Specialist, 26 years), **Nancy Johnson** (Teacher, Farwell, 22 years), **Dee Jones** (Admin Assistant, Mead High, 22 years), **Scott Jones** (Teacher, Mt. Spokane, 33 years), **Mary Pat Kanaley** (Teacher, Mountainside, 12 years), **Dale Keiser** (Teacher, Mead High, 28 years), **Deb Kennedy** (Para Educator, Mead High, 19.5 years), **Judy Kight** (Teacher, Mead High, 33 years), **Connie King** (Teacher, 11 years), **Del Koch** (Custodian, Mead High, 27 years), **Kim Krieger** (Speech Language Pathologist, 30 years), **Cindi Larsen** (Payroll Specialist, 29 years), **Susan Leonetti** (Transportation, 21.5 years), **Thomas Lightfoot** (Speech Language Pathologist, 17 years), **Deborah Lochridge** (Transportation, 15.5 years), **Debra Marchioro-Reid** (Para Educator, Evergreen, 13 years), **Alisa May** (Teacher, Evergreen, 2 years), **Barbara Myers** (Teacher, Meadow Ridge, 28 years), **Lynn Myers** (Para Educator, Mt. Spokane, 39 years), **Bruce Olgard** (Principal, Five Mile Prairie/North Star/M.E.A.D., 26 years), **Melissa Pittz** (Social Worker, Colbert, 31 years), **Jim Preston** (Assistant Principal, Mt. Spokane, 37 years), **William Reiss** (Transportation, 35.5 years), **Debra Robeson** (Teacher, Midway, 41 years), **Tom Rockefeller** (Superintendent, 13 years), **Greg Schultz** (Teacher, Mt. Spokane, 40 years), **Jeanne Sciuto** (Teacher, Quest Program, 15 years), **Crystal Shaeffer** (Para Educator, Brentwood/Shiloh Hills, 18.5 years), **Peter Sherwin** (Teacher, Evergreen, 29 years), **Randy Steele** (Custodian, Mt. Spokane, 37 years) and **Sylvia Totton** (Para Educator, Evergreen, 39 years).

#### **IV. Remarks for the Good of the Schools - none**

#### **V. Public Hearing – Change in Use of Bond Proceeds**

Business Services Assistant Superintendent Wayne Leonard detailed the capital projects that were a part of Resolution 17-17 approved by voters on February 13, 2018. At the time the board approved this Election Resolution, and voters approved the ballot measure, the district expected state match dollars for the Transportation Co-Op Facility but nothing else. The district has since learned, due to increased enrollment and a revision to the state’s “unhoused students” funding formula, they are eligible for additional, substantial state matching funds. Due to this increase in funding, the district would like to amend the Election Resolution to allow for the construction of a tenth elementary school. A part of this process is a Public Hearing on the proposed change in use of bond proceeds.

Director Burchard clarified that the state match funds can only be spent on buildings and are not a part of the district’s General Fund.

Mr. Leonard asked for public comments on the proposed change in use of bond proceeds. There were no public comments.

Mr. Leonard will bring a resolution, amending Resolution 17-17, to the board as an action item on June 24, 2019.

#### **VI. Continuing Business - none**

#### **VII. New Business**

##### **A. Consent Agendas A & B**

Human Services Assistant Superintendent Ralph Thayer recommended approval of Consent Agenda A. Regarding Consent Agenda B, Mr. Thayer had no recommendation indicating there were both pros and cons associated with the presented request.

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

Following discussion, Director Olson made a motion to table a decision on Consent Agenda B so that the board can have additional dialogue regarding the request. Director Wylder seconded the motion. The motion carried. Director Green abstained from the vote.

##### **B. First Reading Policy 6915 Adoption School Siting**

Facilities & Planning Executive Director Ned Wendle presented Policy 6915, School Siting, for board consideration. If adopted this would be a new policy for the Mead School District. This policy was drafted by attorney Taud Hume who specializes in land use. Currently WSSDA does not have a sample School Siting policy. Mr. Hume vetted the presented draft with the Washington State Department of Commerce.

Mr. Hume, who was in attendance, explained the recent change in state law that allows counties in Washington to provide utilities outside the UGA to school districts. This is the situation for the Mead School District regarding Highland Middle School on Five Mile Prairie. Spokane County is ready to provide sewer services to this new school but, before they will issue the permit, the district must have a School Siting policy in place.

Following discussion, Director Olson made a motion to adopt Policy 6915, School Siting, as presented. Director Denholm seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

**C. 2019-20 ASB Fees**

Business Services Assistant Superintendent Wayne Leonard presented 2019-2020 middle school and high school ASB fees for board consideration. The current fee for Mead High and Mt. Spokane is \$45 annually and the current fee for Northwood and Mountainside is \$15 annually. These fees have not changed in more than ten years.

For the upcoming 2019-2020 school year both high school ASB classes request an increase of \$5 in the ASB fee from \$45 to \$50. No change is requested at the middle school level.

Following discussion, Director Denholm made a motion to approve a \$50 ASB fee for high school students and a \$15 ASB fee for middle school students for the 2019-2020 school year. Director Wylder seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

**D. Establish Summer Board Meeting Dates**

The Mead School District Board of Directors typically meets once in July and once in August with meetings taking place during the work day.

Following discussion, Director Burchard made a motion to hold summer board meetings on July 25 and August 21, starting at 2 pm on each day. Director Olson seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

**E. Resolution 19-12**

**Acceptance of the Completion of Northwood Middle School**

Facilities & Planning Executive Director Ned Wendle presented Resolution 19-12, Acceptance of the Completion of Northwood Middle School, for board consideration.

The Mead School District has received notification from ALSC Architects and Garco Construction confirming that the Northwood Middle School Project is complete in accordance with contract specifications and documents. This has been confirmed by district personnel.

Mr. Wendle expressed his personal pleasure and pride in how well the Northwood Project turned out. It was completed on time and \$3+ million under budget. These savings were used at Midway and Shiloh Hills to add extra classrooms and multi-purpose rooms.

Director Burchard made a motion to adopt Resolution 19-12, Acceptance of the Completion of Northwood Middle School, as presented. Director Wylder seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

**F. Resolution 19-13**

**Acceptance of the Building Commissioning Report for Northwood Middle School**

Facilities & Planning Executive Director Ned Wendle presented Resolution 19-13, Acceptance of the Building Commissioning Report for Northwood Middle School, for board consideration.

The Mead School District has received the final Building Commissioning Report from McKinstry regarding Northwood Middle School. This report, conducted independent of the architect and general contractor, is an OSPI requirement to receive “state match” monies.

Director Olson made a motion to adopt Resolution 19-13, Acceptance of the Building Commissioning Report for Northwood Middle School, as presented. Director Denholm seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

## **VIII. Reports**

### **A. Safety Task Force Presentation**

Student Services Assistant Superintendent Jared Hoadley, who was the District Liaison to the Safety Task Force, introduced members of the committee in attendance including Kevin Holden, Sara Breen and Travis Killman who, on behalf of the task force, shared a summary of their work and recommendations.

The 22 member committee, who are all passionate about keeping kids and staff safe, met several times throughout the past year. Their recommendation includes the following four phases:

#### **Phase 1 – Cultural Change**

- Policies & Procedures
- Security Director & Security Department/Team
- Security Budget Item
- Training/Communication
- Threat Assessment Changes
- Software/Social Media Monitoring
- Door Alarms
- Start Random Scanner Checking

#### **Phase 2 – Hardening**

- Continuing Enhancements to Physical Security

#### **Phase 3 – Deterrence**

- Secondary School Weapons Scanning & Staffing
- After Hours Security Staffing
- Ballistic Panels

#### **Phase 4 – District Wide Screening**

- Elementary Scanners & Staffing

After providing rationale for each of the items suggested in phases 1-4 the committee shared their estimated cost of implementation and recommendation that the district run a special Safety & Security Student Wellness Levy in the amount of \$11.1 million.

Following discussion, the board thanked the committee for their time and the thoughtfulness of their work.

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

CTE Executive Director Doug Edmonson provided an update on Riverpoint Academy and M.E.A.D. All teaching staff have been assigned to other schools and high school counselors have been working with students on placement for the 2019-20 school year. Students with high medical needs, previously served through the GSL program at M.E.A.D., will now be served at North Star.

## **IX. Executive Session**

At 7:25 pm Director Green called for an Executive Session of approximately 30 minutes for the purpose of reviewing the performance of a public employee.

At 8 pm Director Green returned the meeting to Open Session. No other business was discussed and no action was taken.

**X. Adjourn**

The meeting was immediately adjourned at 8 pm.

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**President**

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**Secretary**