

WWG School Board Meeting

September 19, 2022

Westbrook, 7:00 PM

Members present: Maas, Hemp, Madson, Warner, Kuehl (via google meets), Kleven, Foster, Superintendent Woelber, Principal Woitalewicz, Derrick Jenniges also present were Tasha Cuff, Amy Herder, Leo Theisen and Tom Merchant. Absent

Maas called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Motion made by Madson seconded by Foster to approve the agenda. Motion Carried

Motion made by Hemp seconded by Kleven to approve the meeting minutes from the August 15, 2022. Motion Carried

Motion made by Foster seconded by Hemp to approve the claims, account balances, treasurer reports and vendor payments. Motion Carried

Visitor reports – Jason and Stephanie Algyer came to discuss some of their concerns. Administration will meet at a later time to discuss.

Old Business –

- ESSER Updates

Administrative Reports

AD Theisen – Hudl cameras are not working the best, continue to work on that. Future of varsity Football is still a concern. A JH Boys Basketball coach is needed. Reseeding the baselines for the varsity baseball field. Parent's night for VB is September 29 and Football October 7th. Fall musical is Return to the Forgotten Planet. Performances for the public will be October 1st and 2nd.

Mr. Jenniges – Update on the first two weeks
Energy is back!

We have used 12 different subs in the first two weeks ... Nice to have options

- New Subs: Carrie Anderson, Connie Knott, Kathy Vondracek, Manda Jorgenson

Large 2-day preschool group is keeping us on our toes! Online speech sessions are underway; Dan Wahl is overseeing this part of our daily routine, working with coop to provide these services. Backfilled the approach to the gymnasium - seeding plan? Trees on the west side of building were taken down; consider replanting? Picture Day was last week. RTI testing in August went well again, 80% attendance. Most classes have finished NWEA testing, K-1 will do this week as they needed a little more time to practice using Chromebooks. This week we will do bus safety and evacuation practice. Preschool screening on September 27 (25 students scheduled), no Preschool on this date.

All our adjusted programs are falling into place

- Breakfast Club

- EL program
- Student of the Week
- Weekly voting board

Thank you to all staff members for being versatile in the first couple weeks to help our students feel comfortable and confident to start the year!

Principal Woitalewicz – Chargers Pals program will start on the 30th. School year is off to a good start – morale is high; hope things continue to go well. The Fall Festival went well; thanks to those who helped.

Construction Updates

- Parts of both campuses are still under construction – almost there
- Locker Rooms – request to finish flooring in locker rooms
- FACS room and hallway

NWEA Testing results in math and reading – our 7-11 grades tested last Wednesday

- Still assessing scores
 - Math
 - Grade 7 – 55% of students at or above national average
 - Grade 8 – 64%
 - Grade 9 – 59%
 - Grade 10 – 56%
 - Grade 11 – 60%
 - Reading
 - Grade 7 – 41%
 - Grade 8 – 45%
 - Grade 9 – 49%
 - Grade 10 – 36%
 - Grade 11 – 48%
- Forming building goals in part from these scores in an effort to improve our spring MCA results building-wide and accurately monitor student growth year-over-year and from fall to spring.

Sports/activities in full swing – Football, volleyball, JH sports doing well. Fall Musical starting shortly, set to present in September.

Class Trip update – itinerary is set

Daycare Center is rolling along, hopeful to be open sooner than expected.

Superintendent Woelber –

- Vans are here and being used. New handicap bus not here yet.
- Facilities (library / choir, flooring, bus garage work, locker rooms, WG/AC, WG west hallway)
- Administrative / staffing updates
 - Special Education in WG being monitored by Adm with new staffing added around Christmas. Working on another addition for fall of 2023
 - New Greater MN person on board Tuesdays and Wednesdays.
 - Bus drivers, custodians, kitchen at full force.
- Shared Services (October 31st in RTR)
- Enrollments (K-12 at 441)
 - PreK- 57 (3 day 28 / 2 day 29), K-44,
 - 1st-40, 2nd-39, 3rd-35,

- 4th-38, 5th-36, 6th-25, WG Bldg K-6 257 + 57 PreK
- 7th-31, 8th-38, 9th-39
- 10th-25, 11th-26, 12th-25; WB Bldg 184 up from 171
- WG murals in West hallway
- Digitizing annuals and additional pictures in the district.
- Playground discussion and outside help
- Fitness center updates of bicycles, TVs, and floor plan.
- District Audit looked good.
- Possible need for an additional used minivan or car.
- WG gym upgrades with baskets and projector / screen
- Preschool fees for next year and setting a small stipend for those on free and reduced lunches.
- Ed Foundation met tonight – will start to meet quarterly and have a fall drive for donations.
- USDA dollars

Motion made by Madson and seconded by Kuehl to approve the improvements to the locker room flooring/shower flooring which will cost roughly \$14,700. Motion Carried

Board reports and recognition of donors / supporters – Motion made by Hemp and seconded by Warner to approve the following – motion carried

- Loy and Sheryl Woelber for donation of training tables for locker rooms.
- Westbrook Fire Department, City of Westbrook and all volunteers that stepped up to make the fall festival a huge success.

New Business

Motion made by Kleven and seconded by Foster for the approval of the preliminary tax levy at maximum level and final determination made in December 5th Truth in Taxation and December 19th regular board meeting. Motion Carried

Motion made by Warner and seconded by Kleven to approve the following Staffing updates / approvals. Motion Carried

- Ruby Koch for paraprofessional support in Walnut Grove

Motion made by Kleven and seconded by Warner to Approval of Student teaching agreement with SMSU for 2022 - 2023. Motion Carried

Motion made by Hemp and seconded by Madson for the approval of maternity leave (March-April) for May Thao. Motion Carried

Motion made by Foster and seconded by Hemp to Declare surplus of a stationary bicycle and additional old tables. Motion Carried

Motion made by Kleven and seconded by Foster to approve the Resolution calling for the election of three school board members at the general Madson-Aye, Kleven -Aye, Foster – Aye, Hemp – Aye, Warner – Aye, Kuehl – Aye. Motion Carried.

Adjourned at 8:09 PM

Respectfully submitted,
Becky Foster
Board Clerk