

WWG School Board Meeting

May 16, 2022

Westbrook, 7:00 PM

Members present: Maas, Madson, Warner, Kuehl, Kleven, Foster, Superintendent Woelber, Principal Woitalewicz, Principal Olson also present were Megan Beckendorf, John Wiggins, Rachel Christens, Derrick Jenniges, Leo Theisen, and Tom Merchant. Absent Hemp

Maas called the meeting to order at 5:36 p.m. Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

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

Motion made by Madson to approve the meeting minutes from the April 18, 2022. Motion Carried

Motion made by Kleven Warner to approve the claims, account balances, treasurer reports and vendor payments. Motion Carried

Visitor reports –

- Community Education – Coaches for WB Dave Rentschler, Izzy Rentschler, Elijah Merrick. WG coaches – Cole VanDeWiele and Dan Kleven. Motion made by Warner and seconded by Kuehl to approve the increase the summer rec Coach pay to \$2000 for Head Coach and \$1000 for Assistant coach. Motion Carried Kleven Abstained

Old Business –

- Math Curriculum purchase – Have an initial quote (\$60,000 for K-6 is the estimate), but that number may be lower. Would like to have the curriculum go through 7th grade. Mandy is looking at the material for 7th grade. Once she is done the vendor will put together a full package for the district. This could potentially go under ESSER. Motion made by Madson and seconded by Kleven to move forward with the purchase of the Math Expressions Curriculum not to exceed \$65,000.
- Locker Room update – quote for varsity lockers of \$945/unit for a total of approximately \$37,000. We currently have 152 lockers, possible to refinish most of the lockers and replace some of the smaller lockers. Look at repairing the floors, showers, toilets, and current lockers.
- Huddle – not as great of quality that we currently have. They can have voice overlay as well for announcing. This is a district wide service, would cover the Elementary and High School buildings.

Administrative Reports

AD Theisen – Gave a Spring sports update, sections start next week. The athletic committee met with RRC last month. Discussed potential future pairings. They wanted to know if we have an interest in pairing in Wrestling, Cross Country, and Golf. Also discussed the future of football and a possible pairing in the future. The group wanted to get opinions from the school board before a decision is made. RRC will not be able to host any football or baseball games in 2023. Mt. Lake Area/Comfrey is considering a move to the Valley Conference. RTR is joining the Red Rock Conference. TMB voted to not join the Red Rock Conference. The athletic awards banquet is this Friday night at 7:00 at the Westbrook Community Center. The Westbrook Area Service Club is providing the meal. We are hosting 2 JV baseball games at

Westbrook on Thursday and Friday if you want to see a home game. Boys Volleyball proposal failed by one vote at the Representative Assembly last week. John and Mara Wiggins donated \$500 to the shot clocks.

Principal Olson – none

Principal Woitalewicz – lockdowns completed in late April. Called lockdown and teachers talked with students each day about different parts of the ALICE training and what they would do specifically in their classroom. Overall develop a mindset to fight back and not hide. Senior trip went very well, and many memories were made. Overall, a very good experience for our seniors. Planning on graduation as normal this year. It will be Sunday May 29th at 2pm. Thank you to Wendy Knakmuhs for planning the schedule. Senior Scholarship Night will be May 18th at 7pm Board members are invited to attend. FFA Banquet will be May 23rd at 7pm. Ending the school year with a grill out for students on May 25th. Talk about summer school options – at high school we are planning on summer school for 7th and 8th grade students. We will have 9-12 grade students who failed a course retake the course next year or take an Acellus course to make up credit. Last day of school – teachers have requested to leave along with the students at 12:30.

Superintendent Woelber –

- Transportation –
- Projects Handout
- Administrative / staffing updates
 - 6th Grade to be filled by Karley McClellan
 - 1st Grade to be filled by Jaimie Kirsch
 - Preschool opening
 - EL opening
 - Special education – needs for K-12. Lisa Mischke has agreed to help with evaluations
- Shared Services
- Health Insurance issues / Increases – increase of 25% next year
- ESSER II, ESSER III (modify the application)
- Enrollments
 - PreK- 52, K-40,
 - 1st-38, 2nd-38, 3rd-35,
 - 4th-35, 5th-25, 6th-31, WG Bldg – 294
 - 7th-36, 8th-37, 9th-23
 - 10th-27, 11th-27, 12th-19; WB Bldg - 169
- Kindergarten and Preschool 3 sections (waiting on ESSERIII application to open again).
- Preschool playground area
- Solar for schools' program webinar 4/26 (Sam checking it out)

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

- John and Mara Wiggins for their \$500 donation to the shot clocks
- Westbrook Area Service Club for their support to the upcoming awards banquets.

New Business

Motion made by Kuehl and seconded by Foster to approve the change of the 2021-2022 school calendar to for the last day to dismiss for shuttles at 12:30 and routes at 1:00 pm. Added a teacher workday during the summer. Motion Carried

Motion made by Madson and seconded by Kleven to enter into an agreement with Greater MN for contracted services - pending search for a suitable candidate. Motion Carried

Motion made by Kuehl and seconded by Foster to approve the resignation and many thanks to Carol Eisfeld and Doris Zeug. Motion Carried

Motion made by Madson and seconded by Warner for the approval of hiring Derrick Jenniges to lead the Walnut Grove building for the 2022-2023 school calendar. Contract to be determined Motion Carried

Motion made by Foster and seconded by Kleven to approve the assignment of Jaimie Kirsch to 1st grade for the 2022-2023 school year. Motion Carried

Motion made by Madson and seconded by Kuehl to approve the Preschool contract for Ms. Breanna Golda for the 2022-2023 school year. Motion Carried

2022-2023 calendar updates

Office space lease agreements for the Tech Campus.

Contract for 2022-2023 for Loy Woelber – June

Motion made by Kleven and seconded by Madson for the approval of Sam Malmberg for a Tech Campus instructor. Motion Carried

Motion made by Warner and seconded by Kuehl for the approval Tyson Crosby as the Elementary Physical Education instructor for the 2022-2023 school year. Motion Carried

Motion made by Kleven and seconded by Kuehl for the approval of the resignation of McKenzie Benson. Motion Carried

Adjourned at 6:48 PM

Respectfully submitted,
Becky Foster

Board Clerk