

## WWG School Board Meeting

October 18, 2021

Walnut Grove, 7:00 PM

Members present: Maas, Madson, Hemp, Warner, Kuehl, Kleven, Foster, Superintendent Woelber, Principal Woitalewicz, Principal Olson also present were Erin Altman, Joe Schmidt, Amy Herder and Tom Merchant.

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

Motion made by Hemp and seconded by Kuehl to approve the agenda. Motion Carried

Motion made by Madson and seconded by Hemp to approve the meeting minutes from the September 27, 2021, meeting. Motion Carried

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

**Visitor reports** – Dasha reported on the status of COVID in the district. There is still the dashboard that is updated on Tuesdays. Totals as of today – positive cases Staff (5), Students (7 elementary) (5 High School). COVID testing is available through the school. COVID booster will be available by calling your primary clinic.

### **Old Business –**

Senior Class trip updates/decisions – discussion regarding some students that aren't vaccinated and how this will affect the trip. NYC requires vaccines to do most activities. 19 students have signed up to go; trip cost is \$1400/person. \$2500 has been deposited already and is non-refundable. There is a parent meeting tomorrow night to discuss some of their options. Motion made by Kleven and seconded by Maas to encourage the senior class to entertain other options for a class trip that would maximize student involvement, while minimizing loss of deposited funds. Motion Carried.

### **Administrative Reports**

AD Theisen – Junior High VB finished their season today. Junior High Football finished their season at the RRC jamboree with a five game winning streak. Varsity VB is wrapping up their season on Tuesday with a home match vs Wabasso. Section seeding will come out on Wednesday. Varsity football host Cedar Mountain on Wednesday. Seeding for football will come out on Thursday. Fall musical update – the Bottom of the lake with show times on November 4<sup>th</sup> and November 5<sup>th</sup>. We ordered sod for the baseball field at Westbrook and will be putting that down on Thursday. Boys basketball program has requested that another coach be added to their staff. They plan on playing a C squad schedule this year. Looking for basketball officials in the WWG area for the JH and C games this year. Dave Van Loh donated a used ice therapy kit to the school that can be used with knees, ankles, etc. Winter sports practices start on November 15<sup>th</sup> for girls basketball/cheerleading and November 22<sup>nd</sup> for boys' basketball. Currently there are no students signed up for wrestling.

Principal Olson – Parent teacher conferences will be November 8<sup>th</sup> and 11<sup>th</sup> from 4-8pm. Walnut Grove Veterans Day program is scheduled for Thursday November 11<sup>th</sup> at 2:00 pm. Read for the record is Thursday October 28<sup>th</sup>. Vikings STOP bullying will be on Wednesday November 17<sup>th</sup> at 10:00. Teacher in-service Monday November 1<sup>st</sup>. Texas hold'em tournament will be on November 6<sup>th</sup> at the Westbrook Community Center.

Principal Woitalewicz – Staffing changes Dave Fowler will be starting next week as a custodian, and Brenda Nolte in Food Service. Michele Freeburg will be the district Food Service Coordinator. HS band/Choir concert will be October 25<sup>th</sup> at 9 am – rescheduled due to a Volleyball sections game being played in Westbrook. The concert will be live streamed. Upcoming service opportunity, Food for Kids, for 5-12<sup>th</sup> grade students. Thanks to Joyce Vortherms for setting this up. Looking at possible changes to the grading structure which may also change the eligibility policy as well. May need to look at different options for class schedules due to the increasing class sizes coming to the high school in the future.

Superintendent Woelber –

- Transportation – 2 vans – 1 has arrived, waiting on the other. Ordered a bus.
- Facilities – (library remodel, flooring, bus garage, gym storage, WG/AC).
- Administrative/staffing updates
- Shared Services – workshop November 1st
- ESSER / GEAR / CRF / ESSER II / ESSER III / Finance
  - \$150 new money
- Enrollments
  - PreK- 51 (3 day 36 / 2 day 15), K-40
  - 1st-37, 2nd-36, 3rd-35
  - 4th-33, 5th-26, 6th-32 (WG Bldg 239)
  - 7th-35, 8th-39, 9th-25
  - 10th-27, 11th-25, 12th-19 (WB Bldg 170)
- Location for WG mural in gym or lunchroom
- Blackboard vendor for stepping up our website
- WG pickup fix \$3,750
- 3<sup>rd</sup> party pay money and food service fund balance

Motion made by Warner and seconded by Kleven to acknowledge the Board reports and recognition of donors/supporters Motion Carried– Thanks to: Motion Carried

- Joyce Vortherms – setting up the Food for Kids service project
- MREA will be on November 15<sup>th</sup>.
- Dave Van Loh – for the donation of the ice therapy kit.

## **New Business**

Motion made by Kuehl and seconded by Hemp to approve the following Staffing updates / approvals. Motion Carried

- Hiring Roxanne Hoheisel, elementary para
- Hiring Chelsey Wehmeyer for elementary para
- Brenda Nolte for Westbrook Food Service

Coop board election nominations ballots will be coming.

Walnut Grove EDA and interest in the WG FB field for housing.

Principal contracts for 21-22 and 22-23.

Motion made by Hemp and seconded by Madson for the approval of the of seniority list. Motion Carried  
approval of the Annual WBWF plan update in November.

After school care program update (Mandy Dibble)

Motion made by Warner and seconded by Kleven for the approval of the Capital Outlay purchases (1-3)  
from Food service fund.

- WG lunchroom tables (4)
- Westbrook lunchroom remodel (22) tables.
- Westbrook Food warmer and Stove.
- Walnut Grove Air conditioning of the Lunchroom and kitchen – waiting for bids

Westbrook Area Service Club Fundraiser for roses with proceeds for upgrade to gym “theater system”  
and approval.

Adjourned at 8:45 PM

Respectfully submitted,  
Becky Foster  
Board Clerk