

Regular School Board Meeting  
Meeting Minutes  
9/25/2023

Present: Director Correll, Director Sainsbury, Director Waller, Tim Payne

**1. Work Session 5:30 - 6:00 pm**

Administrators and Department Supervisors introduced new staff to the board.

**2. Call to Order**

Director Waller called the meeting to order at 6:00 pm.

**3. Flag Salute**

Director Waller asked all present to stand for the flag salute.

**4. Public Comments**

There were no individuals signed in to speak with the board.

**5. Changes or Additions to the Agenda**

Director Correll made a motion to add items 5.a.ii - Hire of Amber Harmon and Evelyn Quintero Flores, and item 6.d Legislative Update to the agenda. Director Sainsbury seconded the motion. Vote was unanimous, motion carried.

**6. Action Items**

**a. Consent Agenda**

Director Sainsbury made a motion to approve the consent agenda. Director Correll seconded the motion. Vote was unanimous, motion carried.

**i. Approve Minutes from 8/28/23**

**ii. Hires**

1. Ashley Gilley, 6.25 Hr Para at Columbia Ridge
2. JoAnna Latimer, 3 Hr Bus Monitor
3. Alyssa Shearer, 1.0 fte Board Certified Behavior Analyst
4. Samantha Somes, 3 hr/week Accompanist at Ephrata Middle School
5. Kimberly Wallace-Bentham, 7.5 Hr ECEAP Assistant Teacher
6. Amber Harmon, 6.5 Hr Sped Para at Columbia Ridge, 1-Year Temporary
7. Evelyn Quintero Flores, 7 Hr Bilingual Para at Ephrata Middle School

**iii. Superintendent Accepted Resignations/Retirements**

1. Colleen Grigg, EMS Assistant Volleyball Coach
2. Sheri Dills, 7.5 hr Para at ECEAP
3. Josie Scott, Bus Driver effective 9/30/23, accepted 9/13/23

**iv. Approve Out of State Travel for National FFA Convention**

**v. Accounts Payable & Payroll**

**b. Approve CTE Annual Report**

The CTE General Advisory Committee met May 24, 2023. CTE Staff provided attendees with district-wide program updates including family and consumer kitchen construction, the sports medicine grant, ag extravaganza, student organizations, industry certification data, guest speakers and more. The CTE Advisory Committee approved CIP codes for new courses as well as conditional teacher certifications for teachers working on CTE certification. The CTE Advisory committee approved the Perkins Grant for the 2023-24 school year. Planned expenditures include a focus on agriculture, digital photography and professional development. Director Correl made a motion to approve the CTE Annual Report and approve the Carl Perkins Grant Expenditures for the 2023-24 school year. Director Sainsbury seconded the motion. Vote was unanimous, motion carried.

**c. Approve Dishwasher Purchase for Ephrata High School**

The HS dishwasher has quit working. We had Hobart out to service it but they are unable to get parts for it, as the model we have is too old. Alain Black is recommending purchasing a new dishwasher from Bargreen as the quote includes full installation. The Spokane Restaurant quote is the lowest, but does not include the full installation that we would need. Director Sainsbury made a motion to purchase a new dishwasher at Ephrata High School from Bargreen,

based on the recommendation made by Alain Black, Sodexo Food Service Director. Director Correll seconded the motion. Vote was unanimous, motion carried.

## **7. Non-Action Items**

### **a. Budget Report**

Allison Razey, Finance Director, reviewed the August budget report with the board.

### **b. Superintendent Report**

1. Enrollment is sitting at 2620 fte at this time, which is above our budgeted number. Kindergarten numbers are down significantly from past years.
2. I am very happy with our Admin/Leadership Team, as everyone is doing a phenomenal job this year.
3. We have sent out the press release regarding the defeasement of the bond. In speaking with our bond council, we have found out the last time this was done in the state was approximately 8 years ago. Cory Plager, with D.A. Davidson, will try to be here for our public hearing on this at the October board meeting.

### **c. First Reading Policy/Procedures**

6700 Nutrition and Physical Fitness

### **d. Legislative Update**

This year our board participated virtually in WSSDA's General Assembly. The purpose of General Assembly is to allow members to update WSSDA's catalog of poistions. The first proposal at the start of the event was to change WSSDA's by-laws to remove the weighted vote's provision. This was a major battle but in the end, the vote passed to remove weighted votes.

## **8. Adjournment**

Director Waller adjourned the regular meeting at 6:38 pm.